



Meeting Minutes

ICC Board Meeting

Date: April 10th, 2017

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In Attendance:

Mojtaba Adibrad

Bijan Ahmadi

Soudeh Ghasemi

Dorna Mojdami

Pouyan Tabasinejad

Mehran Farazmand

Tayaz Fakhri

Absent

Behzad Jazizadeh

Ali Bangi

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1. Meeting agenda

Voting Result: All in favour.



2. PR report

Tayaz provided a progress report about the activities of the PR team and presented his short term plan for the months ahead including consistent and regular communication with different stakeholders. The board recognized and acknowledged that overall the ICC has been able to improve its communication capabilities significantly in the past 2 years which has been proven by the significant growth in the number of ICC supporters. The board discussed effective ways to improve communication and PR abilities further in the months ahead under leadership of Tayaz.

Tayaz also explained that the PR team is working on putting together useful databases for the Iranian Canadian Congress.

3. S-219 bill progress

The senate foreign affair committee voted to refer Bill S-219 (Non Nuclear Sanctions Against Iran Act) to the Senate Chamber on March 29, 2017. ICC will continue its advocacy against the bill. Policy department has already started to plan for required actions.

4. AGM 2017

- Based on availability of the North York Civic Centre and the board timelines for AGM preparations, May 28th has been finalized as the date of AGM. The board reviewed the other important dates related to the AGM as well.
- The board confirmed as planned earlier that the board election will be conducted online as per the ICC bylaws as well.
- PR committee will prepare the necessary announcements for AGM based on the approved schedule and as per the procedure provided in the by-laws.

5. Number of absences and bylaw Article 4, Section 11



The board discussed number of absences three board members.

- Ali Bangi informed the board in advance that because of his personal and work schedule he would not be able to attend some of the board meetings and that he would focus on tasks and projects assigned to him including the online parliament monitoring app and will support ICC events and campaigns. He also informed the board recently that because of his limited availability he would like to end his participation in the ICC board at the end of his first-year term. He will send an email to the board to formalize his decision.

- Dorna Mojdami's absences during fall and winter of 2016 were arranged with the board since she was part of the Simorgh Gala organizing committee and was focused on the preparation work of the gala. Also in the first three months of 2017 she missed meetings because of her involvement in another Iranian Canadian non-profit organization (IODA) which is an affiliate of the ICC.

- The board has been trying to communicate with Behzad Jazizadeh about his absences and will discuss the next steps accordingly.

Note: On April 20th, 2017 the board approved a motion to set the end of Behzad's involvement with the ICC Board of Directors at the end of his first-year term. The motion was voted on through email. 7 members voted. 6 members voted in favor (Bijan, Mehran, Mojtaba, Pouyan, Tayaz, Dorna), 1 abstained (Soudeh). Therefore the number of open spots for the upcoming AGM and board elections will be 4 in total.

6. Inquiries received about Iranian presidential election in Canada.

In recent weeks the board has received many inquiries from community members about making arrangements and accommodations for participation of members of Iranian Canadian community (Iranian immigrants, visa holders and dual citizens) who are interested to vote in the upcoming Iranian presidential elections. The board discussed the matter and decided to communicate these requests to the officials in the Government of Canada. PR will also communicate and coordinate with those who have sent the inquiries to the ICC.

7. Next meeting

Next board meeting will be scheduled via email among board members.



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دهم ماه آوریل 2017

اعضای حاضر:

سوده قاسمی

مجتبی ادیب راد

بیژن احمدی

درنا مجدمی

مهران فراز مند

پویان طبسی نژاد

تایاز فخری

غایبین

علی بانگی

بهزاد جزیزاده

صورت جلسه

1. برنامه جلسه

به اتفاق آرا موافقت شد.