

# Azerbaijan Cultural Society of Northern California (ACSNC)

## **Meeting Minutes for Quarterly Board Meeting**

#### **Meeting Details**

President: Ayka Agayeva Secretary: Narmin Babayeva Treasurer: Gunay Mahmudova Board chairperson: Hamid Azari

Location: Zoom call

Scheduled Date & Time: April 27, 2023 6:30 pm

#### **Attendees**

Ayka A, Narmin B, Hamid A, Ulduz B.

#### Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Narmin B. at 6:35pm.

Approve previous meeting minutes - yes.

Review / Approve current meeting agenda - yes.

#### Agenda

- Welcome / Joining [5 mins]
- Board / officer rules of engagement [10-15 mins] (Ulduz)
- Review / Approve Q3 board meeting minutes [5 mins]
- Review Finances (Ayka) [15 mins]
  - Q4 Cash flow report [10 mins]
  - 2023 Financial outlook
  - Grant application
  - Victims of war fundraiser update (Narmin)
- Review of major upcoming events [10 mins]
  - Fundraiser brainstorming ideas for low-key event that drives funding
  - 28 May Event (potluck + flag raising)
  - Camping assigning a lead
  - Turkic festival preliminary discussion
- Review of programs [10 mins]
  - Dance and Language programs pending funding

- Library book drive (Narmin)
- Membership system overhaul
- New officer and position candidates [5 mins]
- Any board members update (Hamid b / Ulduz)

#### **Old Business**

- Board / officer rules of engagement (Ulduz)
- Review / Approve Q3 board meeting minutes approved
- Review Finances (Ayka)
  - Q4 Cash flow report:
    - Preliminary review, final approval for publication post-meeting. Discussed the context of the largest transactions, such as refunds for cancelled concert and delayed rent payments.
  - 2023 Financial outlook
    - Discuss the needs and the minimum amount of funds that needs to be raised for the year.
    - Suggestion to add a new field to demonstrate the source of the funding.
  - Grant application
    - Ayka A applied for an unrestricted operation grant, waiting for the results.
  - Victims of war fundraiser update (Narmin)
    - Parts of the funds have been distributed by Red Hearts foundation, the rest is in the process. All documentation is made available to donors upon request.
  - Other:
    - Financials for the Khojaly event and Diaspora Committee meeting are still pending to be closed.
    - Ulduz B to submit all open financial statements from Azerbaijani language events.
- Review of major upcoming events
  - o Fundraiser brainstorming ideas for low-key event that drives funding
    - Officers to brainstorm and come back with a reasonable budget
  - 28 May Event (potluck + flag raising)
    - Narmin B is working on getting a day from SF
    - Additionally agreed to have a potluck in the park for community celebration.
  - Camping, location confirmed, assigning a community member as a lead agreed
  - o Turkic festival preliminary discussion on the format, timeframe, and needs.
- Review of programs [10 mins]
  - Dance and Language programs pending funding
  - Library book drive
  - Membership system overhaul
- New officer and position candidates

o Looking for potential new officers and chairpersons.

#### **New Business**

- Movie screening in a library for "Hadis"
- Make a budget for several events with special speakers for 2023.
- No update on board members.

# **President's Report**

Given by Ayka A.

• No new reports, discussion of upcoming events and financial report.

# **Secretary's Report**

Given by Narmin B.

• No new reports, discussion of upcoming events only.

## **Treasury Report**

None

## **Board Report**

Given by Ulduz B.

• No updates at this time.

#### **Other Items**

None.

## **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm by Narmin B.

Minutes compiled by Narmin B.