

ISNA Canada Annual General Meeting 2021 Minutes

November 14, 2021: 10:30am to 1:30pm

Via online - Zoom

Agenda

1. Opening Dua
2. Address by Shaykh Abdalla Idris Ali
3. Review and Accomplishments
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of Financials
6. Approval of Auditor
7. Approval of Elections Committee Members
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9. Final remarks and Closing Dua

Meeting

1. Opening dua by Shaykh Abdalla Idris Ali
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Reminder from Surah Fath of the example of being merciful to one another. Those people of mercy, Allah will have mercy upon them. Shaykh Abdalla prayed that Allah reward each and every person who helped establish and further the organization.

Quorum Confirmation - 93 members in attendance. Quorum confirmed.

3. Review and Accomplishments

Presentation by CEO Fouzan Khan and land acknowledgement of the traditional land of the Anishinaabe First Nations of Mississauga.

The ongoing pandemic has posed a challenge for in person programming. Programs have been adapted to continue serving the community. Virtual programming and events were offered throughout lockdown periods. An Act of Kindness campaign was launched and driven by the community to make a difference in the lives of others.

ISNA Canada partnered with Paramount to provide free meals for long term care staff during a touch outbreak period in these spaces. COVID relief boxes continued and 1993 boxes were distributed to the community.

The volunteer engine was launched to allow volunteers to log hours and create profiles. Volunteer opportunities are posted and allows for better organization and engagement. Currently there are 580 active volunteers and 8583 volunteer hours have been completed.

The new website was launched and provides a youthful and dynamic website. There is still much need for improvement that ISNA Canada is currently working on. ISNA Canada's current reach is 17,782 for the email list and 27,558 for facebook. ISNA Canada is continually working to improve reach on various platforms such as Whatsapp, Instagram, Twitter and YouTube.

Over 20 unique programs were offered during Ramadan 2021. Virtual programming was done using a professional studio to produce high quality programs such as To my Daughter and Our Story. Another highlight program was 30 for 30 that brought in leading scholars of our time to this platform. Drive-thru and Drive-in iftars continued this year and the experience grew with additional days added to the service. Over 24,888 meals were served with the support of over 18 restaurants. Iftar programs were offered at Jami Mosque and Yellowknife. Many of our political leaders including Jagmeet Singh joined our community during Ramadan, This brought a lot of positive News Coverage Global News, CTV and CBC.

ISNA Canada has gone through a reorganization structure to help us become the leading national muslim organization. Canada Summer Job was a major support with 32 approvals.

New projects completed at the center include the pavement project and the Youth Hub. Looking ahead, the hope is to move ISNA Canada to be the leading national muslim organization while focusing on the needs of our local community. ISNA Canada is committed to building the Yellowknife Centre and offering the support needed.

4. Approval of Agenda

Agenda moved by Azzam Al-Shokaki and seconded by Zainab Khan. Votes collected via online tabulation at 60 in favour and 1 against. Agenda Carried.

5. Approval of Financials

Mostafa Soliman presented the Summary of 2020 financials. Due to the pandemic, revenue has decreased 11% from previous years. The organization's expenses have remained relatively the same due to the increase in services to the community. Revenue from services decreased due to the increase of free services and activities. Grant revenue has increased while cash flow has decreased slightly due to some major capital expenditures such as the pavement project.

Question regarding the exact amount for the cost of the payment project.

Question regarding the expenditure of the programs and services.

**Approval of financials moved by Nazim Awan and seconded by Zainab Khan.
Votes collected via online tabulation at 69 in favour and 1 against. Motion carried.**

6. Approval of Auditor

The proposed auditor is Rosenthal Perves & Noor. LLP Chartered Accountants.

**Approval of the auditor moved by Azam Al Shokaki and seconded by Nazim Awan.
Votes collected via online tabulation at 68 in favour and 0 against. Motion carried.**

7. Approval of Elections Committee Members

Candidates for the Nominations and Elections Committee were presented by Michael Singh. The top three candidates by vote will form the Nomination and Elections Committee.

- Abdul Kerim Sandooya
- Zainab Khan
- Fezal Ackburally
- Khalid Jafri
- Wesam Abulroos
- Mohsin Hassan

Motion to approve the following individuals for the Nomination and Elections committee. Motion moved by Wael Assal and seconded by Nazim Awan. Votes collected via online tabulation at 62 in favour and 1 against. Motion carried.

As for each individual vote with the top three candidates forming the Nomination and Elections Committee:

- Abdul Kerim Sandooya (64 in favour and 6 against)
- Zainab Khan (69 in favour and 2 against)
- Fezal Ackburally (69 in favour and 2 against)

Everyone else had less votes. If any of the above candidates are unable to work on the committee, the next highest votes candidate will enter into the committee.

8. Question and Answer Period.

9. Final Remarks and Closing Dua

Thanks to all who attended the 2021 Annual General Meeting.

Closing Dua by Shaykh Abdalla Idris Ali at 1:30 pm.