

# Bangladesh Unity Federation of Los Angeles

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## BUFLA GA Meeting Minutes

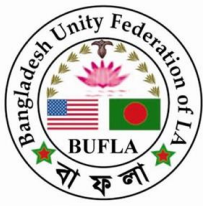
Sunday, August 14, 2016. Time 3:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Location: BUFLA Office, 1133 S. Vermont Ave, Suite 20, Los Angeles, CA 90006.

### Attendees

#### MEMBERS & GUEST PRESENT AT THE GA MEETING

#	Name	Position	Organization
1	Dr Abul Hashem	President	Bikrampur Association
2	Eng. Shahid Alam	Vice President	AABEA
3	Ilias'Tiger' Sikder	General Secretary	Chittagong Univ Alumni Association
4	Siddikur Rahman	Organizing Secretary	Jalalabad Association of California
5	Sheikh Rafiqul Islam	Finance Secretary	Dhaka Univ Alumni Association
6	Maruf Khan	Public Relation Sec	BNP
7	Shahnaz Bulbul	Cultural Secretary	Uttoron
8	Lt (Retd) Zia Islam	Executive Member	BAVOA
9	Abul Rayhan	Executive Member	Osmani Smriti Sangshad
10	Anjuman Ara Sheulee	Executive member	Uttoron
11	Nazrul Alam	Executive member	Jalalabad Association of California
12	Major(Retd) Enamul Hamid	Former President	Taranga of California
13	Shiper Chowdhury	Former President	Coordinator Charity
14	Denny Tayib	Former President	BWOC
15	Shamsuddin Manik	Former President	Vashani Foundation
16	Jashim Ashrafi	Former President	Osmani Smriti Sangshad
17	Khandaker Alam	Former President	Dhaka Univ Alumni Asso
18	Mohammad Ali Khan	Executive Member	Boishakhi Mela
19	Eng. Saiful Huq	Executive Member	AABEA
20	Eng. Mourshad Haider	Executive Member	AABEA
21	Eng. Saleh Kibria	Executive Member	Distressed Children International (DCI)
22	Shahidul Islam	Executive Member	Uttron
23	Rumy Hafeez	Executive Member	Chitagong University Alumni Association
24	Yunus Zaman	Member	BOT
25	Col (Retd.) Omar Huda		Advisory Council
26	Dr Rafiq Alam		BOT
27	Prof Ali Akber	Executive Member	Ideal School of Los Angeles



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28	Murshedrul M Islam	Executive Member	BNP
29	Badrul Chowdhury	Executive Member	BNP
30	Layek Ahmed	Executive Member	Jalalabad Association Of California
31	Mohammed S Hoq Sentu	Executive Member	Dhaka Zilla Association
32	Habib Ahmed Tia	Chair BOT	Sylhet World Council
33	Dr. Mahbub Khan	Member	Advisory Council
34	Amzad Hossain	Executive Member	Manikgong Somity
35	Akhter Hossain	Executive Member	Manikgong Somity
36	Abdul Mannan	Executive Member	MUNA
37	Ashraf Hossain Akbar	Executive Member	MUNA
38	Habibur Rahman Bhuyian Shoroj	Executive Member	UTTRON
39	Ashraf Hossain Babul	Executive Member	UTTRON
40	Mohammad S Haq	Executive member	UTTRON
41	Ahmed Faisal	Executive Member	Taxi Workers Association of LA
42	Faruq Howlader	Associate Member	Greater Kulna Association
43	MD Shamsu Zzoha Bablu	Associate Member	Greater Kulna Association
44	Moshirul Huda	Press / Chief Editor	Probash Bangla
45	Abdus Samad	Press / CEO	LA Bangla Times
46	Kazi Anayet Ullah	Special Guest, Secretary General	All European Bangladesh Organization
47	Mohammed Ahsan	Special Guest	LOTUS Festival, LA
48	Jamal Khan	Special Guest	
49	Henu Miah	Honorary Guest	All European Bangladesh Organization
50	Khorshed Alam "Raton"	Honorary Guest	
51	Zillur Rahman	Honorary Guest	
52	Shazia Hoq Mimi	Honorary Guest	
53	Rupam Adhiuary	Honorary Guest	Singer
54	Kamrul Islam (Shipon)	Honorary Guest	
55	Naureen Anwar	Honorary Guest	The Advantage Group llc
56	Kamrun Nahar	Honorary Guest	
57	Abu Siddiqe Kalam	Honorary Guest	

3:00 pm Meeting Starts with recitation from Al Quran and dua by Abu Siddqe Kalam.

3:05 pm President Dr Abul Hashem ask General Secretary to open the meeting with welcome greeting.

3:06 pm General Secretary Ilias Sikder opened the meeting by asked everybody for one Minutes Silence in Honor of the following individuals who passed away recently:

- 1: Master Irfanul haque Tahim.



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- 2: Hosna Ara Chowdhury.
- 3: Imam from New York
- 4: Cab Driver who short to death

At 3:07 pm, the GS. ILIAS Sikder starts his welcome greeting by expressing his gratitude to all the EC members, all Associate Member, all Current and former Cabinet members, all AC Member, all BOT member, all Media Personal and Honorary Guest. GS thanked everyone for their hard work for BUFLA. He also urged everyone to help acquire a property for BUFLA office and use their expertise to come up with the plan.

At 3:15 pm after opening greetings General Secretary introduced the President to preside over the Annual GA meeting. President Dr Abul Hashem presided over the meeting.

### Anthems

Three anthems were played: US-Anthem, Bangladesh-Anthem and BUFLA-Anthem

### President's State of the Federation Address

President Dr Abul Hashem delivered his annual State of the Federation Address.

### Comments on the President's State of the Federation Address

After the President's State of the Federation Address, General Secretary welcomed everyone to discuss and make comments on the President State of the Federation.

1. The BOT member Dr Rafiq Alam congratulated the new Cabinet and asked about BUFLA office rent. He also paid \$200 for BUFLA office rent.
2. AC member Col(Retd) Omer Huda thanked the cabinet and asked everyone to stay focused to take BUFLA it to new heights.
3. Lt(Retd) Zia Islam welcomed the new cabinet and wished them success in their journey.
4. Major(Retd) Enamul Hamid applauded the new President for his bold plan for this year. He also urged all to help Dr. Hashem in every possible manner to make this year the grandest of all years. He also pointed out during his Presidency, out of 3 applications he received, he approved only one through the EC. The other 2 organizations withdrew their applications amicably. He also pointed out that the 5 members of BOT were instituted during his Presidency.
5. Khandaker Alam asked for more democracy and unity in BUFLA.
6. Jashim Ashrafi thanked the President for new painting and for redecorating the BUFLA office.
7. Denny Tayyib expressed her interest to be part of BUFLA constitution committee and requested for the continuation of Health Clinic.
8. Prof. Ali Akbar submitted written proposal to president that since BUFLA is a Federation and every EC member have equal status, so each organization should pay equal amount for BUFLA Office rent.
9. Shahidul Islam supported BUFLA Scout and asked everyone to pay office rent.



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10. Mohammad Ali Khan express his full support for the newly elected Cabinet and pledged to work hard for a colorful parade and to bring a renowned performer for the program.
11. Ashraf Akbar recommended Cabinet and All EC members to work together.
12. Badrul Chowdhury ask all EC and BUFLA Family to protect and defend BUFLA everywhere all the Time.
13. Engr. Mourshed Haider ask for better structure and organization ahead of time for parade. He offered his full support to the new cabinet.
14. Shiper Chowdhury ask all EC member to work together for successful upcoming Charity Fundraising Program and wished BUFLA's continue success.
15. Dr. Mahbub Khan stated that after fulfilling the responsibility to family, friend, work and education; everyone should contribute some of their time for others and to the community as human being we have some responsibility for the community and to people who needs other's help.

The EC/AC/BOT members who spoke on the different aspects of the speech are:

Shamsuddin Manik, Habib Ahmed Tia, Saleh Kibria, Shamsuzzoha Bablu, Akhter Hossain, Yunus zaman, Anjuman Ara Sheuli, Faruk Howladar, Abul Rayhan, Nazrul Alam, Mohammed S Hoq Sentu, Rummy Hafeez, Mohammed Hossain Bablu, Amzad Hossain, Ahmed Faisal, Murshedul M Islam, Layek Ahmed, Abdul Mannan, Habibur R Bhuiyan Shoroj, Khorshed Alam Raton, Zillur Rahman, Shazia Hoq Mimi, Rupam Adhikary, Kamrul Islam Shipon, Kamrun Nahar, Hinu Miah.

## Press Officials and Guests

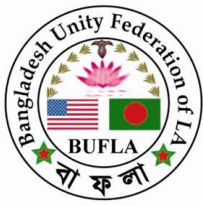
President and General Secretary thanked guests and members of the press presented in the meeting. The following guests were also honored by the President for their significant contribution to Bangladeshi community and to BUFLA:

### Special Guest:

1. Kazi Anayet Ullah, Secretary General of All European Bangladesh Organization
2. Mohammed Ahsan Lutos Festival.
3. Jamal Khan .
4. Henu Miah , Members of All European Bangladeshi Organization.

### Media Personal

1. Kazi Moshihurul Huda – Probash Bangla (<http://probashbangla.info>)
2. Abdus Samad – LA Bangla Times (<http://www.labanglatimes.com/>)
3. Faisal Ahmed Tuhin – Amar Desh (<http://www.amardeshonline.com>)



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## BUFLA Office Rent-and-Bills

BUFLA Office status as shown in the spreadsheet below. The President requested the same amount pledged from the listed EC, AC and BOT members below. Dr Rafiq Alam was the addition to the list and he paid \$200.00 by check.

Revenue (2015 - 16)					
	Donor's Name	Expected	Agreed	Paid	Bal. Due
1	Dr Abul Hashem	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
2	Eng. Shahid Alam	\$1,000	\$1,000		
3	ILIAS Tiger Sikder	\$1,000	\$1,000		
4	Siddikur Rahman	\$500	\$500		
5	Shiek R Islam	\$500	\$500		
6	Maruf Khan	\$500	\$500		
7	Mrs Shahnag Bulbul	\$1,00	\$100		
8	Dr Mahbub Khan	\$1,000	\$1,000		
9	Mrs Denny Tayyib	\$1,000	\$1,000		
10	Mr Khandaker Alam	\$1,000	\$1,000		
11	Mr Shamsuddin manil	\$1,000	\$1,000		
12	Maj.(Retd) Enamul Hamid	\$300	\$300	\$300	
13	Mr. Shahidul Islam	\$1,000	\$1000		
14	Eng. Saleh Kibria	\$300	\$300		
15	Mr. Anis Rahman	\$300			
16	Mr. Nazrul Alam	\$1,000	\$1,000		
17	Mr Shiper chowdhury	\$1,000	\$1,000		
18	Mr Hossain Ali	\$500			
19	Col.(ret) Omer Huda	\$300	\$300	\$200	\$100
20	Sayeddul Hoq Sentu	\$500	\$500		
21	Dr Rafiq Alam	\$200	\$200	\$200	
22	Mr. Amjad Hossain	\$300	\$300		
23	Huq Foundation	\$500	\$500		
24	Mr. Mahtab Ahmed	\$500			



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25	Mr. Md Tarek	\$500			
26	Mr. Ahsan Rumi	\$500			
27	Lt(Rtd) Zia Islam	\$500	\$500		
28	Chunno Mollick	\$200			
29	Mr Ashraf Akber	\$200	\$200		
30	M. A Hasnath Rayhan	\$300	\$300		
31	Mr. Ali Akbar	\$300			
32	Ashraf Hossain Babul	\$300			
		\$18,000	\$15,000	\$1,700	

### Special Decision about Community Scandal:

President Dr Abul Hashem opened the floor for discussion to EC members about the recent Scandal..After the discussion among EC members, it was decided to expel Mr Syed M Hossain and Kabery Rahman. Syed M Hossain Babu was expelled from EC BUFLA Membership from Dhaka Zila Samilty and Kabery Rahman has been Barred from attending all BUFLA Events.

17 vote in favor of expulsion  
 1 abstention.

### Next EC meeting date

The next EC meeting is on Sunday, September 18, 2016, from 1 PM to 5:30 PM at BUFLA Office.

### BUFLA Charity Fundraising Dinner September 25,2016.

BUFLA Charity Fundraising Dinner took the center stage after all the discussions were over. Charity Committee took over the meeting after the GA Meeting was adjourned by the President.

### Meeting Adjournment

Motion Moved by: The President, Seconded by: Dr Mahbum Khan  
 Yes vote: Unanimous, No: 0, Abstention: 0  
 Motion passed. The Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Thank you very much.



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Respectfully,

### **ILIAS "Tiger" SIKDER**

General Secretary

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