
Unity Celebration day:

Bangladesh Day

With Parade

On April 1, 2007, Sunday, on Harvard Blvd @ 3rd Street in LA

BUFLA

Bangladesh Unity Federation of Los Angeles

BUFLA Website: www.bufla.com

Minutes of the Meeting

March 11, 2007, Sunday, 2PM to 4 PM

Shatto Recreation Center, 3191 W. 4th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90020

Summary of the Mtg-Minutes:

1. About 40 people attended this meeting representing various different Organizations from the list of 57 Organizations.
2. The LA City Council approved an amendment to the previous motion, to include the Bangladesh day parade on the main road (on Harvard Blvd between 3rd Street and 6th Street, right in front of Swadesh Restaurant) in Los Angeles.

3. **A motion was passed as follows: Every Organization will pay the Parade Registration fee of \$100, plus we expect a minimum of \$400 or more as donation from each organization.**
4. **The Organizations paying \$100 can participate in the Parade. The Organizations paying \$500 or more are the “Decision making Host” Organizations.**
5. **BUFLA bank account was opened at Bank of America on 2-13-2007, and the Account number is: 000991-122000661-09935-66120.**
6. **Various organizations contributed a total of \$3,500 in this meeting, along with additional pledge.**
7. **The Mtg ended at 5:30 PM**
8. **Next meeting is on March 18, 2007, Sunday starting at 2 PM at Shatto.**

Here are the details of the Minutes.

Attendees: (in alphabetical order):

Abul Kashem Toha
Ajizul H. Riad
Ashraf Hossain Akbar
Delshad Rahman
Denny Tayyib
Dr. Hashem
Emdadul Haque Bob
Habib Ahmed Tia
Humayun Kabir
Ismail Hossain
Jalil Khan
Kamal Khan
Khaleed Hossain
Kirti Ranjan Chakma
M.A.H.Babul
Mahbub Khan
Majib Siddique
Mithu Chowdhury
Mizan Shaheen
Mohammad Zafarullah
Mohammed Ahsan
Mujibur Raman
Muktadir Chowdhury Tarun

Nasrin Ahsan
Nazmul Ula
Omar Huda
Quazi Moshurul Huda
Quddus Khan
Saif Kutubi
Saleh Kibria
Shafiqur Rahman
Shah Alam
Shah M Alam
Shiully Mizan
Shohel Rahman Badal
Syed M. Hossain Babu
Tutul Chowdhury
Zahid Hossain Pintu
(A number of attendees did not sign in)

1. **The above attendees represented various different organizations from the list of 57 organizations listed in item 3 below.**

Out of the 8 Newspaper/TV Representatives, 6 were present (in bold black) at the meeting, as listed below:

1. *ATN Bangla*
2. **Channel-I**
3. **Ekush**
4. *Freelance*
5. **NTV**
6. **Thikana**
7. **News Asia**
8. **Vinnomot**

The Agenda of the meeting was as follows:

1. **Introductions by the attendees.**
2. **Approval of February 25, 2007 Meeting Minutes.**
3. **Action Committee Reports:**
 - i) Venue & Parade Route
 - ii) Budget and fund Raising

- ii-a) Bank Account
- ii-b) Budget
- ii-c) Fund raising
- iii) Souvenir

- iv) Program
 - (iv-a) Parade:
 - (iv-b) Speeches by the Dignitaries:
 - (iv-c) Cultural Program:

- v) Stage set-up, Booth setup-&-Collection
- vi) Publicity (Media, Flyers etc.):

Item – 4: (Next meeting Date)

Item – 5: Close of the meeting.

The meeting continued as follows:

Agenda Discussion:

At first the Agenda of the meeting was presented and discussed. It was unanimously approved. Then the meeting started.

Item – 1: (Introductions)

All the attendees introduced themselves individually.

Item – 2: (February 25, 2007 Mtg-minutes)

The February 25, 2007 Mtg-Minutes was discussed and unanimously approved. An amended motion regarding the Organizational contribution (of last meeting) was passed in this meeting, as stated below.

Item – 3: Reports of Action Committees:

i) Parade and Venue Status

The venue committee reported that the LA City Council approved an amendment to the previous motion, to include the Bangladesh day parade on the main road (Harvard Blvd between 3rd Street and 6th Street, right in front of Swadesh Restaurnt) in Los Angeles. Few additional items are yet to be done including the insurance, proof of non-profit status, etc.

ii) Bank Account:

BUFLA bank account was opened at Bank of America on 2-13-2007, with a donation of \$1000 from Mahbub Khan. The BUFLA Account number is: **000991-122000661-09935-66120. The current balance is \$1,350.**

iii) Budget

The budget for this event is \$32,000.

iv) Fund Raising

A motion was passed as follows: Every Organization will pay the Parade Registration fee of \$100, plus we expect a minimum of \$400 or more as donation from each organization, making it a total of \$500.

The Organizations paying \$100 can participate in the Parade. The Organizations paying \$500 or more are the "Decision making Host" Organizations.

Various organizations contributed a total of \$3,500 in this meeting, along with additional pledge.

Decision making Host Organizations:

(Paid or pledged \$500 or more)

1. AABEA (\$500 Paid)
2. Bangladesh Academy (\$500 Pledged)
3. Banoful (\$100 Paid, Additional \$400 pledged)
4. BAPAC (\$500 Pledged)
5. BAFVA (Bangladesh Arms Forces Veterans Association) (\$500 Paid)
6. BWOC (\$500 Paid)
7. California Jalalabad Association (\$100 Paid, Additional \$400 pledged)
8. Jalshaghar Entertainment (\$500 Paid)
9. LA-Sherif's Advisory Committee (\$500 Pledged)

10. Muldhara (\$500 Paid)
11. MUNA (\$500 Pledged)
12. Uttoron (\$500 Paid, Additional \$500 pledged)

Parade participating Organizations

(Paid or pledged \$100 or more)

In addition to the above 12 Host Organizations, the following 5 Organizations will participate in Parade, making it a total of 12+5=17 Organizations for the Parade.

1. Bangla Pathshala (\$100 Paid)
2. Bangladesh Association of Greater Valley, CA (\$100 Paid)
3. USBBF (\$100 Paid)
4. Bangla School of Orange County (\$200 Pledged)
5. Bangla Shool of Los Angeles (\$100 Paid)

All other organizations are cordially invited to come forward and join the Parade and other activities on this very special occasion of Bangladesh Day celebration.

Parade:

The parade committee made a presentation about the formats, routes, and disciplines of the Parade. A more detail presentation will be given in the next meeting on March 18.

Item – 4: (Next meeting Date)

The next meeting date is on March 18, 2007, Sunday, from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM at Shatto Recreation Center, 3191 W. 4th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90020.

Item – 5: Close of the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully,

Mahbub Khan

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