

*Please note that the wording of questionnaire questions set forth in the motions below, and in the motions in all prior minutes, is merely suggested for the purpose of BRS debate and is subject to refinement.*

## Call to Order

A weekly meeting of ICC BRS was held on Friday, 18th of December 2015 at the North York Civic Centre. It began at 6:30 PM and was presided over by Shahram Tabe-Mohammadi, with Kaveh Shahrooz as secretary.

## Attendees

Subcommittee Members in Attendance: David Mousavi, Kaveh Shahrooz, Mehrdokht Hadi, Mojtaba Adibrad, Shahram Tabe-Mohammadi, Tayaz Fakhri

Absent: Behzad Jazizadeh, Pantea Jafari,

## Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the previous Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> of December meeting was made by Shahram and seconded. The meeting minutes were unanimously approved and adopted.

## Next Meeting:

The group discussed possible dates to meet before the holidays. It was decided that Wednesday December 23<sup>rd</sup> would be most suitable.

## Consultation Session:

The group discussed who the invitees to the initial consultation session should be, noting that there would be a separate session open to the public. There was further discussion about the mechanism by which the discussion at the consultation session could be structured (e.g. a list of questions to be discussed at the meeting; a survey to be completed before the meeting; two rounds of speaking for each participant) to be most productive.

A motion was put forth to invite current and former board members to the initial consultation. **The motion carried** by a vote of 6-0.

A vote on whether to invite the founders of the ICC was postponed until the issue could be discussed with the entire BRS committee.

A vote on whether to invite influential community members was postponed until the issue could be discussed with the entire BRS committee.

A motion was put forth to invite members of the Iranian-Canadian media to the initial consultation to provide their views. Debate was had on whether the media members could make a unique contribution to a discussion on the workings of the bylaws, and whether they would have an unfair advantage in using their platform to advocate for certain changes. **The motion was defeated** by a vote of 2 in favour (David, Mojtaba), and 4 against (Kaveh, Mehrdokht, Shahram, Tayaz.)

A motion was put forth to invite members of the Iranian-Canadian media to the initial consultation solely as observers, so that they can report on the proceedings if they wish. **The motion was adopted** by a vote of 5 in favour (David, Kaveh, Mehrdokht, Mojtaba, Shahram), and 1 abstention (Tayaz).

## Preparation for the Consultation Session:

The group discussed tasks that need to be completed before the initial consultation session is held. The following responsibilities were assigned:

Preparation of protocols: Shahram and Mehrdokht

Preparation of invitation letter: Kaveh

Preparation of questionnaire/explanations in English: David, Kaveh, Pantea

Preparation of questionnaire/explanations in Farsi: Behzad, Mojtaba, Tayaz

## Motions Regarding Questionnaire

(A) Proxy voting

**Motion:** Moved by Tayaz, and seconded, that “the questionnaire contain a question about whether the ICC should permit voting at its elections by proxy.”

A discussion followed concerning how many options ought to be presented to survey participants regarding proxy voting. In particular, the discussion focused on whether “no proxy voting” is a workable and reasonable option that should be presented as a choice to members.

The option to include three choices in the questionnaire (“no proxy voting”, “one proxy vote”, and “more than one proxy vote”) was defeated by a vote of 2 in favour (David, Tayaz), and 4 against (Kaveh, Mehrdokht, Mojtaba, Shahram).

The option to include only two choices in the questionnaire (“one proxy vote” and “more than one proxy vote”) was approved by a vote of 5 in favour (Kaveh, Mehrdokht, Mojtaba, Shahram, Tayaz) and 1 against (David).

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Secretary

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Date of Approval