

Minutes of Meeting
10/17/2009

MEDAH Board Meeting, 10/17/2009, at Stadium Park, King and Isenberg Streets.

The Meeting was called to order at 12:50 p.m. by President Amy Bright.

In Attendance were MEDAH Members: President Amy Bright, Vice President Willow Chang, Treasurer Dorothy Wheeler, Secretary Renée Arnold, Member-at-Large Bob McKeand.

Minutes were read by the Board.

Motion was made by Amy Bright and seconded by Bob McKeand, to accept the Minutes as read; all were in favor and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer Dorothy Wheeler.

MEDAH has \$2134.00 including outstanding checks to two members who overpaid dues and were reimbursed. Dorothy will pass these reimbursement checks through the bank once more.

Old Business:

The Halloween haflah was cancelled because Beth Biller, the member in charge of organization, had a career opportunity which conflicted.

Archives – Bob McKeand presented a proposal for archiving the MEDAH videos, photographs and Zagoreet (Z) issues. The proposal includes a higher quality of product and a lower price of \$10 per video event. The previous proposal was \$15 per event. Payment would begin at \$100 for 10 events per DVD. The Z would be scanned at the rate of \$2.00 per issue.

There was discussion about the process of scanning the Z issues, where the scanning would be done, and it was decided to first determine the number of issues per year, beginning in 1989.

Amy Bright made a motion to accept the proposal and Willow Chang seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

Rundown of the Year 2009 – The following were accomplished:

- “20 for 20” - \$20 membership price to celebrate MEDAH’s 20th year
- Online magazine launched
- Facebook Page created
- Excellent Secretary and Treasurer Team
- More community involvement – Amy Bright has made it a MEDAH goal to expand in this area by making new contacts.

- Makiki Festival – our first involvement was a huge success and we have been asked to return by the organizer, Janet Lee Maduli who is an entertainment agent. This is a new venue for MEDAH which could lead to participation in SUNSET ON THE BEACH.
- Midsummer Night's Gleam
- Four Ward's Rafters events
- Successful fundraising
- Financial soundness

New Business:

Upcoming Events:

- Aisha Ali and Janie Ayden Workshops on October 24
- Global Dance Café on November 7
- Andrea and Sausane workshops on November 15-16
- Medah Haflah at Ward's Rafters on December 12 - MEDAH considered changing the haflah to December 5 but decided against the idea. A special guest artist has been invited to perform for the community and to promote a possible show.

Vet Center – Member Bob McKeand researched this center in Foster Gardens as a possible venue for future MEDAH events. There is ample parking and it would attract a completely new audience. It is in a central location and costs for rental are reasonable. A very large room is \$70-80/hour; smaller dining room is \$50/hour. Bob thinks a lower fee could be possible, as the venue's director seemed eager for our business. It was thought the venue would be best for a show, but not for a fundraiser. The public could be charged entrance with the purpose of defraying costs of rental. The board discussed prices and length of time. A Valentines Party, including dancing, pupus and a \$10 charge for non-MEDAH members was discussed. It was suggested that Ward's is best for fundraisers because of the mailing list and the art-supporting audience that frequents that venue.

Nominating committee – there was a proposal to go back to the simpler way of voting. Forming a nominating committee with specific members is too time-consuming for our small organization; and having two ballots sent out (for nominating and then for voting) was thought to be cumbersome. The By-Laws were checked but there was no mention of the requirement for a nominating committee. Amy will check with Robert's Rules of Order for clarification. It was suggested to send one ballot along with a list of members in good standing and a description of the offices. Members would write in their 2 choices per office on numbered ballots and send them by mail. The votes would be counted at the next haflah, where members could also submit ballots in person. Write-ins would be allowed, but email voting would not be allowed, due to the possibility of technical problems and duplicate votes. It was suggested that MEDAH have an outer island representative added to the Board. Also, the ballot would indicate which members are off-island; this

would help in voting who could be an effective board member and attend meetings. It was also suggested that an off-island board member could possibly participate in meetings by Skype or phone. This could apply to Mainland members as well, provided time zones are considered.

Willow Chang made a motion that MEDAH buy a copy of Robert's Rules of Order to be brought to the meetings. The motion was seconded by Amy Bright and passed.

The next meeting was set for 6 p.m. on November 14 at University Burger King, 2536 S. Beretenia.

A motion was made by Amy Bright to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 p.m. and was seconded by Renée Arnold.

Respectfully submitted by

MEDAH Secretary,
Renée Arnold