

# Indian American Community Outreach Advisory Board

## Monthly Board Meeting 02/2023

The board's mission is to embrace, preserve and promote the heritage and contributions of Indian American's while promoting civic engagement and encouraging Indian Americans to increase their involvement in Aurora's

**Date:** 13 February 2023

**Time:** 5:30 PM

**Location:** 3770 McCoy Drive, Aurora, IL

**Conference Dial-in:** 630-256-3466

### ATTENDEES

Checked = Attended the meeting

Board Members	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sukanya Rangarajan	<input type="checkbox"/> Sunil Patel
	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandeep Lodhe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sharon Mani
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Srivani Vokkarane	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chaithanya Kovvuri
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nadia Kanhai	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ghousia Wajid
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nitin Fuldeore	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anu Krishnamurty
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other Attendees	City Liaison Karla Thomas, Applicant Jasmeet Singh	

### CALL TO ORDER

### ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA & APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### Last Meeting Follow-up and Public Comments

- WCC - Celebrating Indian Culture
- Come up with ideas for giving back to the community in 2023
- Flag-raising (Aug. 15)
- Winter Festival of Lights
- Fourth of July
- Work with other boards
- MLK Day
- Election of new members

## MOTION AND OTHER PROPOSALS

Proposal	Proposed by:	Seconded by:	Vote
Minutes approved (December 2022, January 2023)	unanimous		<b>For:</b> All board member attendees (6) <b>Against: 0</b> <b>Abstain: 0</b>
How many students should receive scholarships? 5 students, \$1K	Sukanya	Sharon	<b>For:</b> All board member attendees (8) <b>Against: 0</b> <b>Abstain: 0</b>

## TOPIC DISCUSSED

Sr. No	Topic	Notes
i	Diwali wrap-up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Patel Brothers - Karla needs to submit invoice (either Sunil or Sharon may have this check) \$5K</li> <li>● One other check is outstanding - Draper &amp; Kramer (silver)</li> <li>● Sukanya will follow up with Sandeep</li> <li>● Karla is getting copies of aldermen's sponsorship checks</li> <li>● \$22,149.86 = Diwali total cost</li> <li>● \$9,000 sponsors (w/o aldermen \$3,250)</li> <li>● We may want board members to pick up outstanding checks from board members who aren't here.</li> </ul>
ii	2023 Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● \$32,000 - same as last year</li> <li>● \$20K scholarships</li> <li>● \$12K Diwali</li> <li>● How much wiggle-room do we have? (funds provided by Mayor's office)</li> <li>● Do we need to do fundraising?</li> <li>● Last year, we were able to secure corporate sponsorships for Scholarships</li> <li>● Diwali is Nov. 12 this year. Consider hosting a pre-event pay-it-forward sponsorship dinner</li> </ul>

iii	Scholarship 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● How many candidates, what are the qualifications/criteria?</li> <li>● \$1K scholarships for students</li> <li>● CSRV - how much can we increase the scholarships by? What increment?</li> <li>● Looking for base GPA, not high criteria</li> </ul>
iv	Vice Chair Role	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Sandeep Lodhe leaving for personal reasons</li> <li>● Sponsorships and social media</li> <li>● Support co-chairs per bylaws</li> <li>● Elections next meeting</li> </ul>

**Partnerships? Events we can do with others that don't cost \$\$**

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**NEXT MEETING AND AGENDA**

Monday March 13, 2023 (5:30 PM - 6:30 PM)

**AGENDA**

- To be published.