

## Minutes of October 14<sup>th</sup> NIDAT Meeting

The North Iowa Diversity Appreciation Team (NIDAT) met in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room on Wednesday, October 14. Those attending were Dan Gapinski, Jane Ginapp, Linda Woodcock, Melissa Weiner, Jack Gannet and Eric Bookmeyer. Eric was interested in finding out what NIDAT was all about, was welcomed and invited to be a part of NIDAT.

Jane opened the meeting and gave the Treasurer's Report of \$1572.04 as reported by Joy Drennen via email. Dan Gapinski gave the Steering Committee report and gave a brief explanation of the final bylaws that were approved at the September meeting. He also distributed a one-page Bylaws Calendar that listed items that needed to be addressed (per the bylaws) for each month of the year.

Jane Ginapp gave a final report on the Lunch By Central Park event. The total amount of the deposit made at the end of the event was \$2,792.00 and this included the \$400.00 taken from the NIDAT account earlier for change. Checks totaling \$2227.00 were written to the food vendors. Total expenses were \$464.41 (food vendor licenses & rental of tables & chairs). NIDAT made \$165.00 from the sale of desserts at the NIDAT Dessert Table and this amount also included tickets that were purchased but not used. It was estimated that at least 600 people attended @ \$4.00 per person. The list for thank you notes was discussed and finalized. It was also decided to include a short survey with the thank you notes to the food vendors to determine if they were satisfied with the set up and with the turnout, and also if they would consider paying NIDAT 10% of their proceeds next year to offset the cost of the food licenses from the Department of Public Health.

A brief discussion was held regarding the art/writing contest – the award ceremony is confirmed for March 4<sup>th</sup> at the Music Man Square at 5:00 pm. Jane will personally contact Hal Minear prior to the next meeting. Scott Pardoe (Mason City Postmaster) has agreed to furnish the stamp sets for the first place art prizes again for this year. Any changes in the wording of the flyers should be decided at the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. to allow other city officials time to prepare the conference room for another city meeting scheduled for 5:00 p.m. Dan Gapinski made the motion to adjourn and Linda Woodcock seconded the motion.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the next meeting which will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted by Jane Ginapp in Dixie Lamoreux's absence