

Minutes
November 9, 2011

The North Iowa Diversity Appreciation Team met on November 9, 2011 at 4:00 pm in the 2nd Floor Conference Room at City Hall. Those in attendance were **Dan Gapinski, Jane Ginapp, Merle Brockshus, Vienna Hoang, Jeanette Vasquez, Dixie Lamoreux, Joy Drennan, Lahoma Counts, Elaine Olson, Hal Minear** and **Diane Murphy**.

Dan called the meeting to order. It was determined we had a quorum. Joy Drennan presented the Treasurer's report. Bank Balance November 9, 2011 was \$1427.59. Expenses for the 2010-2011 year were \$5,000.00. Recommendation for the 2011-2012 year is \$6000.00

Dan asked if there were any changes to the October minutes. Merle Brockshus' name was misspelled, corrected. Joy motioned to accept as corrected, seconded by Elaine.

No announcements were made.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee Need a pre-meeting in December as prep for transition for new board members. Need to officially appoint Dan Gapinski as Development Chair.

Development Committee Keep applying for grants we have utilized in the past year. We need updated school reduced lunch data from Mason City Schools. Reminder that Shelly Schmidt from NIACC would be a good source of data also.

Special Events Committee Next project is the Art and Writing contest. Jane brought the school info for the contest. Hall sends them to each of the building's administrators. Hall will speak to Larson Printing about printing the books at a discount. The event will be March 8 at Music Man Square. Deadline for submissions is February 17. Ideas were flowing including selling add space in future books to offset the cost, add an opening intro speaker with a few minutes about diversity (education opportunity), maybe be have winners speak (include response card in invitation). Jeanette will look into inviting legislators or having special certificates presented. Maybe in future years apply to the UW Venture Grants to help fund the event.

Motion to adjourn by Dixie, seconded by Elaine.
Meeting adjourned.