



**Helena International Affairs Council
04/22/09 Minutes**

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE	MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE	AFFILIATES IN ATTENDANCE	GUESTS
Jessica Peterson, Chair Anthony Warren	Robert Simpson		
Will Garvin			
Ersun Ozer			
Doreen Kutufam			
Shahid Hague- Hausrath			
Mark Annas, Sect. Campbell Pryor			

Welcome and Introductions

Meeting held at Mediterranean Grill jointly with “Neighborhood of Nations” informational event. Called to order at 6:30pm by the Chair, Jessica Peterson.

Review Agenda, Approve Minutes

Moved by Anthony and seconded by Shahid that the minutes from 3/09 Meeting be approved. Approved unanimously.

Vote on Vice-Chair for HIAC

Several names mentioned as possible candidates for HIAC Vice-Chair; this position would conduct business in absence of the Chair. After some discussion, and assurance from other HIAC members they would assist whenever, wherever possible, Doreen made motion Anthony be appointed, this was seconded by Campbell. Set to a vote, and approved unanimously.

Vote on budget for Mediterranean Grill event

Ersun, owner of the Mediterranean Grill, would bill HIAC at his normal rate; he will provide the Council a billing by HIAC’s May meeting. It was recommended \$300 be budgeted for the “Neighborhood of Nations” event immediately prior this HIAC meeting. Additional discussion centered on possibility of having an additional event timed to the broadcast of HIAC/HCTV’s initial program on Health Care. Campbell moved \$300 be allocated for the event, Doreen seconded the motion, and the Council voted unanimously in favor – Ersun recused from vote.

HIAC member diplomacy duties - Jesse

Jesse will forward to Mark via email/attachment names indicating who will be primary/secondary for diplomatic duties for the remaining months of 2009. During discussion, Campbell advised better communication between state agencies and tourism organizations as a way to better coordinate hosting international delegations, representatives. Shahid recommended when HIAC becomes aware of an international delegation/representative being in Helena, that all HIAC members be made aware.

Old Business

Mark stated a signed Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) still does not exist between HIAC and HCTV. Jesse stated she has a copy, will check for it. NOTE: There is in HIAC's records a draft "Fee for Service Contract: Helena Civic Television (HCTV)".

Will, recently having returned from Canada, gave a brief report of his meeting with the US Ambassador to Canada.

Next Meeting

Our next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at the City County Building. Agenda items will include a detailed look at our website, with our web developer in attendance.

Doreen moved to adjourn, seconded by Campbell. Approved unanimously to adjourn at 7:25pm.