

Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. in Conference Room D at Troy City Hall.

Roll Call

Present:	Hailu Robele	Jeff Hyun
	Amin Hashmi	Padma Kuppa
	Flora Tan	Anju Brodbine
	Charles Yuan	Cindy Stewart, City Liaison
	Tom Kaszubski	Kara Huang, Student Rep
	Oniell Shah	

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from February 15, 2005 - Motion by Kuppa, second by Yuan. Approved unanimously.

Correspondence

“Troy explores new revenues” by Shaun Lewis, Detroit News, February 13, 2005

Article was slanted very negatively about life in Troy. Padma encourages everyone to be sure and push the positives in our community (services, schools).

New Business

A. Museum Brochure

a. Loraine Campbell: Request to EIA - Brochure text needs to be translated into a number of more commonly spoken languages. She is requesting help from the EIA for assistance. This will enable visitors to the Museum to be able to learn about all we have to offer. Cindy has text and is able to email to members. Charles has a contact to do Chinese translation.

B. Sights & Sounds of the World – April 9, 2005

Egypt, China, India, Serbia, Pakistan, Germany, Italy, The Middle East, Poland, Korea, Philippines, Russia

Call to confirm: Germany – Oniell, Italy – Anju, Russia – Amin, Poland – Padma

Remind contacts to bring flags and flagpole. People dress in costume. Will get 2 tables per country and 20 minutes each for entertainment.

List on program other events related to Diversity Month

- i. May 3 – Athens Ethnic Fair
- ii. May 6 – Prayer Breakfast
- iii. Send Cindy info related to performances for program

C. Spring Break in Troy

a. Program sponsored by Troy Community Coalition, Troy School District, Troy Parks and Recreation, Troy Youth Assistance, Troy Police Department, Troy Families for Safe Homes, Boys and Girls Club of Troy, Athens Safe Rides, Troy Public Library, Big

Beaver United Methodist Church – groups to keep kids safe. March 28 - April 2 for high school students - spread the word throughout the community.

D. National Day of Prayer

- a. Padma sent request to Lori Wagner re: taking part in this year's program. Lori said she'd get back to Padma next week.

Old Business

A. Diversity Month – April 8 - May 7

- a. Redo proclamation. Send Letter to all principals via Tim McAvoy. Email flyer to Jack Christianson. Include flyer for Sights & Sounds World Bazaar – October 22, 2005

B. Resource List

- a. Send updates to Cindy Stewart

C. Troy Daze EthniCity

- a. Discussion next meeting. Amin will attend EthniCity meeting, Thursday, March 10 at 8 pm at Community Center (2nd Thursday of each month)

D. Law brochures

- a. Email file to EIA

Motion by Kuppa, second by Shah to adjourn - Meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm

Tom Kaszubski, EIA Board Chairman

Cindy Stewart, Recording Secretary