

**TROY ETHNIC ISSUES ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes for Tuesday, September 2, 2008**

I. Call to Order 7:10 pm

II. Roll Call

Present Michelle Haight
 Karen Yelder
 Kelly Jones
 Mayada Fakhouri
 Grigore Buia
 Cindy Stewart, City Liaison

Absent Cathy Francois
 William Lawrence
 Reuben Ellis
 Lily Huang, Student rep
 Tony Haddad

Visitors: Sushma Shrestha

III. Approval of Minutes – August 12, 2008

Motion to approve August 12, 2008 minutes by Karen Yelder, seconded by Kelly Jones. Approved unanimously.

IV. Correspondence/ Articles

Kelly will bring to the October meeting.

V. Old Business

a. Troy Daze Ethnicity

Poster Contest – Deadline is Sept. 8. Judging is Sept. 11 in Room 404. Remind Tim McAvoy to send an e-blast. Michelle is set with judges.

Ethnicity Booths Confirmed:

EIAB, Peru, Germany, Troy High Chinese Club, Bharatiya Temple, CAPA, NAFFAA, African American Parent Support Group, Filipino American Community Council. CAGD, Oriental Culture Association, Arab Chaldean & American Council. Total 17 tables.

Cindy will get the trifold display board and bring the flags, pictures, Velcro, tablecloths and skirts, passports from Mayada, flag stickers, pushpins, and world map. Kelly and Karen will attend the Wed., Sept. 3 Booth Meeting.

b. African American Support Group – Next meeting is Monday, Sept. 8, 7:30 pm. Karen will attend. ACT prep class starts on 9/13 at Troy High. Math Prep class is Sept. 20-November at Baker. Nadeen Brown is President. There are plans to print a directory.

c. Troy School District Updates

Elementary school – Kelly finished her presentation for the PTO/PTA presidents. It was sent to Michelle for editing. She plans to discuss the EIAB mission and goals, resources, and demographics. She will send to Tim McAvoy next for approval and to get a date for presentation. Barnard Elementary School held their Kindergarten picnic and the Cultural Community Committee had a table there with information related to different ethnic groups as well as a cultural newsletter; highly recommended for other schools.

High Schools – Mayada and Padma made a presentation on August 18 to 30 new Troy teachers. It included an overview on EIAB, what they do, goals, upcoming events, resources and Troy Interfaith Group goals.

VI. New Business

- a. Sterling Heights Diversity Dinner September 18th at Ike's Family Dining on Van Dyke, Sterling Heights. \$30/ticket.
- b. Cultural Brochures – On hold until after Troy Daze. Plans to start with Arab, Indian, Chinese, and Eastern European. Check CIA.gov for information.

VII. Motion to adjourn 8:05 pm, by Michelle Haight and seconded by Karen Yelder

Next Meeting Tuesday, October 14, 2008 at 7 pm.

Kelly Jones, EIAB Chair

Cindy Stewart, EIAB Recording Secretary