

SUBUD Portland General Business Meeting

Mar 3, 2024

Facilitator: Marius Harold

Note taker: Molly Osborne

Next meeting April 7, 2024

Attendees: Morris & Leana McClellan - Bookkeeper/ Financials (Morris) & SD rep (Leana), Marius (Chair) & Hilda Harold, Marilyn Schirk (Vice-Chair & SD rep), Fayra Teeters (SICA rep), Liza Wolfgang (Helper), Lusijah Marx, Mary Kimsey, Philip Lindstrom (SUSA Chair), Nirel Jackson (PNW Subud Secretary & House Manager), Samuel Czuba (Helper), Rayner Ward (Helper), Camille Hofvendahl (Helper), Maria Baker, Susannah Lints, Chris Wagner, Fred Suter, Mira Spies

Introduction: Marius Harold

When I travel through the world I travel with different compatriots, e.g. (1) the judge, (2) the discerner, (3) the lover - in the spiritual world all things are possible, in the material world more of a struggle, (4) true believer that the Latihan is the primary purpose of our discussion (5) my jiwa, my soul that can participate in the Latihan

Topic for the next meeting: Regional donation; Latham suggesting \$300/m until deficit addressed; Many opinions – to discuss at the next meeting

Agenda

1. **Minutes** Dec Feb approval as modified (unanimous)
2. **Bookkeeper/ Financials** Morris McClellan (regional bookkeeper)
 - Regular checking (bills, donations, rentals, etc) \$6214.15 (prev \$7500)
 - Savings \$3500 (prev \$ 7500)
 - Capital (capital repairs) \$12,073.00 and \$10,000 grant regional for the roof
 - Paypal debit (Liona for supplies conduit Paypal US bank) \$1525, only need about \$500
 - transfer \$1000 into capital
3. **Regional Donation – suggestion to** lower donation to the region since \$400 deficit with the donation to \$300 from \$750 until deficit addressed
 - **Extensive discussion and will readdress at the next meeting**
4. **Susila Dharma and Ramadan** (Marilyn Schirk)
 - SD silent auction and July Subud USA, so identify your items, also thanks us for our match
 - o **Sun May 5** – Ice cream social to thank everybody!
 - RAMADAN - Mar 11 – April 10th Ramadan with Friday nights 8-9pm Zoom meeting with talks, e.g. Bapak Rihayu. And
 - Weds April 10th Idel Fitre -
 - **Sun April 14 kejiwan gathering** all members with regional helpers and POTLUCK
 - **Sat /Sun helper weekend**
 - o Mar 13th 3-6 pm invitation for all that are or have served as helpers,
 - o Mar 14th 10am to 5pm Latihan followed by general testing then a POTLUCK, then likely awareness testing, personal testing.
 - o proposal to cxi potluck at Idel fitre

5. **March 22nd blended ceremony** about renewal (F Teeters) at 6pm – 45min ceremony followed by (organized) potluck followed by 8pm ‘listening to Bapak’ for Ramadan (Marilyn Shirk)
6. **SICA** (F Teeters) has awarded a mani center in Maryland, the national center, a grant for a sculpture from Daman Hildreth (Gold and Blue) with a memorial plaque Damon Alkeides (founder of Amani center up and running) open house and unveiling in late April.
7. **Subud USA: National Gathering** (Philip Lindstrom, SUSA chair)
 - **June 27-July 1st** national gathering, 80 registrants already from all over the US. Register through the email link.
 - Location: Sheraton PDX airport with free parking for all
 - Scheduled activities kejiwan conference and ‘it will be great’ Susila Dharma silent auction, etc.
 - Sunday the PNW meeting
8. **Garden Maintenance Committee** (Susanna Lints) Chris, Nirel, Marilyn and Suzanna are meeting to maintain the outdoor space to be a place of welcome. Goal to reestablishing regular maintenance, **develop a budget**, have a ‘group work party’ April 13th before the helpers arrive at 3pm – raking, trimming, pruning, weeding, etc. Next monthly meeting which may discuss street tree pruning, etc. Will move forward in small steps....
 - **Organize a fund-raiser.** Consider May date
9. **Decking** – Marius plans to start in March, digging out shrubbery, etc. will put in trash cans. Next step - tear off a section with plywood approach to the front door. Backdoor replacement with plywood entry. Kyle Beamer texted and wants to work off \$500.
10. **Roof:** C Dorin has a picture of a plan to submit to the city
11. **Proposal for non-smoking** in reasonable distance of building
 - have a place to extinguish cigarettes
 - designated smoking area with appropriate containers?
12. **PNW Subud Secretary & House Manager, Nirel Jackson**
 - massage workshop May 18th,
 - May 19th H Cheifetz afternoon walk 3-4:30pm.
 - **Advertising** via concordia - \$127 for single issue circulation 10,000 readership, larger version would be better. Next issue April /May. Consider Subud house as a wedding venue and relatively inexpensive at \$5000- \$6000. Each Saturday a swami, trying to fill Fri/Sun evening slots. Fully booked next weekend and Latihan canceled this coming Sunday.