

INTERFAITH ROUNDTABLE OF KAUAI
P.O. Box 1442 Kapaa
October 31, 2014
Lihue Hongwanji, 3-3530 Kuhio HWY, Lihue
Minutes
Submitted by Sharon West

Present: Jeffrey Pears, Sister Deborah Burnham, Sharon West, Vel Alahan, Al Albergate, John Moore, Cynthia Moore, Rev. Patrick Ferren, Rev. Rita Andriello, Annaleah Atkinson, Manfred Burgmeier, Joanne Watanabe, G.G. Shanley

Opening Prayer: Vel Alahan

Welcome and Call to Order: Jeffrey Pears

Minutes from September 26, 2014: Accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Current Balance: \$657.78.

Discussion re staying solvent: Jeffrey suggests that IROK members might choose to make regular monthly gratitude donation through a Pay Pal account. Annaleah suggested some would rather donate according to a need to cover a specific expense for a specific IROK sponsored event. Rev. Rita asked that a form be draw up for those who wish to make donations. Vel agreed to continue searching for the "phantom" bank balance said to be left from the earlier Interfaith organization that later grew into the Interfaith Roundtable of Kaua`i and might be available to be claimed by IROK.

Message from Chairperson: Although Jeffrey did not have a formal message, he shared his joy of becoming a grandfather by announcing the birth of his first grandson.

Committee Reports

Membership

John received a request to remove one group from the active membership roster due to the fact that this organization will participate in IROK activities only occasionally.

Public Relations

Al Albergate agreed to review the submitted IROK photos and select ones appropriate for the new brochure.

Programming

Cynthia is active inviting leaders in the community to share their spiritual journey at an upcoming IROK monthly meeting.

Discussion: IROK will allow individuals and organizations to present at the meetings if the information they bring is in alignment with our mission, and will be beneficial to our members, Kaua`i spiritual leaders and the communities they serve. This includes those who are not members but wish to speak to the membership about social support services that could be of help to the spiritual leaders and their communities.

Here is the current monthly programming calendar:

Nov. 21, 2014	Sister Deborah Burnham	Brahma Kumaris
Dec. 19, 2014	Holiday party	Potluck and fellowship
Jan. 30, 2015	Al Albergate	Soka Gakkai International Nichiren Buddhism
Feb. 27, 2015	Cynthia Chiang	Planned Parenthood
March 27, 2015	Jeffrey Pears	Kauai Hospice - Death, Dying & Rebirth

Website

No current changes to website. Jeffrey proposes setting up a donation button to take donations via Paypal.

Martin Luther King, Jr Celebration

Committee has had one meeting on October 19th and another scheduled for November 7th. It proposed to celebrate at Kukui Grove Mall the island's Kaua'i Peace Ohana (those instrumental in peace activities through work or volunteerism).

Meeting Presentation

Annleah Atkinson, a minister in The Fellowship of Inner Light, shared information on the founding and history of the order.

Old Business

None at this time.

New Business

The December 19th meeting will be a potluck party at Lihue Hongwanji.

Next meeting: November 21, 2014 at noon, Lihue Hongwanji

Closing Prayer: Vel Alahan

OUR MISSION

The Interfaith Roundtable of Kaua'i exists as a forum of local representatives from different spiritual, religious, and spiritual educational organizations who gather to share our faiths and explore our diversity while focusing on our similarities. We promote understanding, respect and harmony across different spiritual, religious and cultural groups in our shared community of Kaua'i.

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May Peace Be With You