

WAF Meeting Minutes

16th March 2022

Participants

1. Ambreen Fatima
2. Khawar Mumtaz (Rani)
3. Naila Naz
4. Nighat Khan (Bunny)
5. Tauseef Hyat

Agenda item # 1: Items Left over from last Meeting

It was decided that **WAF would convene a General Body meeting on Thursday March 24th**, at 4pm, to discuss internal WAF processes and WAF principles, so that newer members get a better understanding of the internal workings of WAF.

For example, WAF sub-committees are fairly autonomous, but they do have to get their agenda accepted by the Working Committee. Also, since members wear different hats, representing different organizations, it needs to be clear when they represent WAF at a Public Forum.

Khawar Mumtaz will start the discussion, followed by Naila Naz and Nighat Dad and then it will be open for questions.

Agenda item # 2 Co-Convener

Ambreen Fatima has agreed to be co-convenor with Naila Naz. They will co-ordinate with each other as needed.

Agenda item # 3: Aurat March – 8th March

As discussed in the last meeting, many of the WAF Members who had gone said they had been disappointed with the organization of the AM. Bunny explained the problems AM had had with the administration. Some of the members felt it was not inclusive and the communication between the AM organizers and the people who attended should have been better. WAF members are hoping that by giving their feedback to AM, the next AM can be much better.

Agenda item # 4: Aurat March Manifesto

It was agreed that WAF members would read the AM Manifesto, and discuss it among themselves, to understand what we think is justice, the role of society, the idea of reconciliation etc. Later it can be discussed with AM.

Agenda item # 5: WAF Chapter in Multan

Unfortunately Naazish was not able to join the meeting today to discuss this agenda item. However Bunny explained that becoming a WAF Chapter entails a long process, may take years as it did in Quetta and Hyderabad. Needs for a committed group in that city to understand the principles of WAF, the implications, and only after much interaction does a Chapter come into being.

Agenda item # 6: Social Tea with other Women's Groups

Members agreed that this should be postponed till after Eid as it needs a lot of organization –

Who all to invite, where to hold the event, speakers, banners etc.

Agenda item #7: Miscellaneous

- Rani suggested we print more one page hand outs for more people to know about WAF. Naila said she may have some old ones, which can be updated and reprinted.
- Naila said quite a few WAF dupattas had been sold.
- Member felt that those Members who added Agenda Items should try their best to attend that meeting so that their agenda item can be discussed comprehensively. Also, those who made commitments at previous meeting but were unable to attend next meeting should just update WAF Working Committee on any progress made or not made via WhatsApp.