

WAF Meeting Minutes

27th July 2022

Participants

1. Erum
2. Humaira Mumtaz (Noni)
3. Khawar Mumtaz (Rani)
4. Maria Kokab
5. Naazish (Najji)
6. Neelam
7. Nighat Khan (Bunny)
8. Nyla Naz
9. Popti
10. Salima Hashmi (Cheemie)
11. Tauseef Hyat

Agenda item # 1: WAF Convention

Members discussed the arrangements for the Saturday night dinner during WAF's Convention, for which Peeru's was being considered as a venue. Further details have to be discussed with the Peerzada's before a final decision is taken. This includes a Budget for a 100 persons, which includes friends of WAF and Members of the WAF GB. Popti and Najji will visit next week and give us a feedback after discussing it with Peeru's.

The second point discussed was Fund-Raising. It was agreed that WAF would not take any sponsored funds, only funds from individuals, mostly WAF members. The Arrangements Committee have estimated a figure of approximately Rs.1,000,000/- (One Million) (Ten Lacs)

Nyla reminded Members that at the last meeting Members present felt that considering inflation and rising costs that Budget may need to be Rs.1,500,000/- The Arrangements Committee feels that it will be difficult to raise so many funds and hope the to keep the Budget at Rs.1,000,000/-

Rani had given a brief on the Themes for the Convention sessions at the last WAF meeting. But will share them with the WC by Saturday morning for all those not present at that meeting.

Noni said that the Arrangement Committee needed to know the number of people attending the sessions and the dinner on Saturday. The approximate estimate for the Convention was about 50 to 60 people, but could change once the Chapters send their figures.

The first dinner is being hosted by Meena. (Friday)

The 2nd Dinner by WAF(Saturday)

And on the last day a tea for the press at Shirkat Gah. (Sunday) where the WAF Statement will be released.

All of the above will be fine-tuned by the Committees.

Agenda item # 2: JAC

Rani said she had attended the last JAC meeting. Not too many people attended but everyone was very concerned about the present political situation in the country. JAC Members agreed that they should meet more frequently, hold monthly meetings. Still waiting for the minutes of the JAC meeting to come in. Members felt that concerned citizens should have more visibility, and be more active. A protest was discussed, together with JAC and Popti said that it would only be effective if we are able to mobilize at least 200 people, preferably more. To which everyone agreed. Rani will discuss this with JAC for a date post Muharram.

Agenda item # 3: HRCP Endorsement

Some WAF Members in Karachi had objected to WAF endorsing the HRCP Statement on the Full Bench. Rani said all the Chapters had endorsed the decision, but some internal disagreements arose. She said WAF was NOT taking sides, only raising its voice on issues.