

# **Minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> AGM of the Pak Pioneers Community Organization of Canada (PPCOC):**

**VENUE: Pak Pioneers Office (105-3033 Palstan Rd,  
Mississauga, ON. L4Y 4E7.**

**DATE & TIME: June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 2:00PM.**

Meeting Attended by the members of PPCOC and by Ward 3 - Councilor Chris Fonseca, and MP – Peter Fonseca.

1. Meeting Started with recitation of Holy Quran by Hassan Syed.
2. Tehmina Naveed, Executive Director asked about the Quorum. Mr. Sarwar Chaudhary, Secretary Finance confirmed that the Quorum for today AGM is met. The total number is 16 including members present physically as well as proxies.
3. Dr.Masoom Shah presented Key Note and Welcome address. He mentioned that the Organization was registered with the Ontario Government in 2011. In 2013, weekly social meetings are conducted at various community centers in Mississauga which include but not limited to soft yoga classes and other information sessions etc. The seniors' citizens also visit the PPCOC office regularly during weekdays where different activities are arranged for them including but not limited to playing different games like cards, Karem Board as well as various free basic computer classes. PPCOC is also working to have Senior Home in future. Dr.Masoom Shah also mentioned the vision and Organization structure of PPCOC.
4. Mr.Safeer Mufti – Secretary PPCOC presented proceedings / Minutes of last AGM for approval which was held on July19,2022. He also mentioned that as the Non-Profit Organizations like PPCOC depend mostly on grants from the government as well as donations from the community members, friends, businesspeople, councilors, MP's etc., therefore they should come forward. The proceedings were proposed for approval by Mr. Khokhar, seconded by Mr. Asif and approved by all the members present.

5. Tehmina Naveed Executive Director, PPCOC presented annual report 2022. She mentioned that on January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022, all in-person meetings were cancelled as per instructions of the government due to COVID-19 and were done by Zoom. In February 2022, again back for in- person meetings.
6. Total number of Events held in 2022 is 120+.
7. The PPCOC office is open mostly for seniors to visit in addition to 3 days a week digital literacy class.
8. Mr. Zainul Abadin Late has been acknowledged for his efforts and good wishes.
9. Financial Report presented by Sarwar Chaudhary & Huphy Ghayur in which they gave details of funds available, and expenses incurred.
10. The Financial Statement 2022 was proposed for approval by: Safer Mufti; seconded by Ghulam Rasool, Approved by all the members.
11. Sarwar Chaudhary presented an Operating Budget for 2023 amounting to approximately \$68200. Proposed by Shamim Anwar, seconded by Asif Qamar, approved by all members.
12. Tehmina Naveed, Executive Director presented by laws of membership fee for approval which includes proposals:
  - The annual membership fee remains at \$20 per year.
  - Individuals can be granted a three- year membership by paying a \$50 fee and with the approval of the Board of Directors. Membership can be renewed every three years.
  - Individuals can be eligible for lifetime membership with the approval of the Board of Directors and by paying a onetime fee of \$100.Proposed by Safer Mufti; seconded by Dr.Masoom Shah and Asadullah, Approved by all members.
13. Ward 3 Mississauga Councilor Chris Fonseca acknowledged the work done by PPCOC for the seniors and confirmed her continuous support for the betterment of the community. She also updated about the soft opening of Burnhamthorpe community center and invited PPCOC members for a free skates evening. She mentioned that a lot of space is reserved for seniors, families and youth activities in the community center which will start fully in

the New Year 2024. She also mentioned that Park adjacent to the community center is set for redevelopment, which will be finished in fall of 2024. Dr. Masoom Shah proposed a tour of Burnhamthorpe community center before it is ready to be opened to the public. Sarwar Chaudhary also requested storage space in the said community center.

14. MP Peter Fonseca appreciated the outstanding achievements of PPCOC conducting 120+ events in a year. He mentioned about the Canadian Disability act which has been recently passed which will include starting dental benefits for youths & seniors this year; child daycare benefits \$10/day; about Canadian economy significant growth in G7 countries; jobs growth etc.
15. Tehmina Naveed mentioned wages and other expenses and suggested arise in the government grants because of inflation etc.
16. Naveed Chaudhry made closing remarks of thanks to MP Peter, Councilor Chris, Huphy Ghayur and all other members present.
17. Meeting Adjourned at 3.30pm proposed by Shamim Haq; seconded by Saeed Khokhar; approved by all.
18. Light refreshments, and tea.