



**Toronto Area
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TAIC Annual General Meeting
Wednesday, May 21, 2014: 7 pm – 9 pm
The University of Toronto Multi-Faith Centre
Minutes: v1

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3. Summary of Discussion:

The following is a summary of the items discussed during the meeting and the proposed action to address the issues raised and the person responsible for implementation:

	Item	Discussion Leader
A.	The Annual General Meeting of Members	At every Annual meeting, in addition to any other business, the following matters shall be dealt with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Agenda for approval. b) Minutes of last AGM for approval. c) The report of the Board: President, Governance, Events, Membership Charitable status d) The Treasurers financial statement for 2013. e) Election of Directors (see nominations). f) The appointment of the audit committee for the next year (MacPherson, Smith, White). g) Approval of the By-laws. h) Other matters
B.	Keynote address: Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)	TAIC members will have an opportunity to listen to and engage with representatives of the RCMP. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assistant Commissioner Stephen White, Commanding Officer, "O" Division and Superintendent Doug Best, Assistant Criminal Operations Officer, National Security, "O" Division will talk about their roles & responsibilities including addressing issues of the faith communities. • Participants will have an opportunity to ask questions during the Q&A session moderated by Rev. John Joseph Mastandrea
C.	Launch TAIC website: Find another designer	Bob White
D.	Annual Plan of activities for 2014	
•	Participation in preparation for Pan American Games: To be held from July 10–26, 2015 in Toronto	Rev. Damian MacPherson SA
•	After Nain: John Joseph, Chander, Earl and Bob <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Living the Dialogue'. An initiative to prepare for emergencies. This will be linked with the City of Toronto's Emergency Response Program • Half day festival / event at OMC on July 1, Canada Day. Topics to be determined 	Rev. John Joseph Mastandrea
•	Enhancing the quality of life of the poor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TAIC will work with interfaith groups and the City of Toronto to focus on the underlying/ root cause of poverty and engage with partners that can address the root cause.

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•	Climate Change Adaptation Conference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TAIC will work with interfaith groups and the City of Toronto to organize a conference should be attended by faith leaders. • We will have university students involved and talking about their concerns and actions to adopt.
•	Pre-election debate with Mayoral candidates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TAIC is working with other interfaith groups to organize a debate with Mayoral candidates as we did before the last election. • The breakfast event is planned for September 11, 2014, starting at 7:30 am.
E.	Other business: 5 min	

TAIC Executive Members for 2014

	Member	Position
24.	Rev. Damian MacPherson, SA	Past President
25.	Mr. Zul Kassamali	President
26.	Ms. Liz Chappel	Vice-President Chair of the Governance Sub-Committee
27.	Rev. Earl Smith	Chair of the Membership Sub-Committee
28.	Mr. Sam Vesuna	Treasurer
29.	Rev. John Joseph Mastandrea	Chair of the Projects Sub-Committee
30.	Pundit Chander Khanna	Member at Large
31.	Ann Irving	Member at Large
32.	Davinder Dhanoa	Member at Large
33.	Mr. Bob White	Secretary

4. Next Meeting of TAIC:

- **Date:**
TBD
- **Location:**
TBD
Suggestions for agenda:
 - a.
- Closing Reflection: 2 min

All persons interested in Interfaith Dialogue are welcome
Please distribute this notice to other members of your faith community or organization

Directions to [The University of Toronto Multi-Faith Centre](#)

By TTC:

1. Go to Spadina Subway Station on the Bloor-Danforth Line

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2. Catch the streetcar from inside Spadina Station
 3. Exit at Willcocks Street and exit onto the east side of Spadina

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2. Paid parking inside Spadina Crescent (One Spadina in Centre of Spadina Street)
3. Underground parking in the Bahen Centre on Huron Street between Russell and College