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MFS elects Board at Annual General Meeting

Multi-Faith Saskatchewan held its Annual General Meeting on July 7 in the Education Building, University of Regina.

In addition to regular business, members elected the Board to provide leadership into the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

The Board is as follows:

President – Vacant Vice-President – Amr Henni Secretary – Russell Mitchell-Walker Treasurer – Donna Nelson Communications Director – Gagan Deep Singh Past-President – Moses Kanhai

Members-at-Large:

- David Katzman
- Donna Spratt
- Krishan Kapila
- Nicholas Jesson

NAIN Connect includes workshop on Making of Canada 150 Video

NAIN Connect 2018 was held in Edmonton July 31 to August 3 on the theme *Pilgrimage: Journeys of Discovery.*

Among the workshops at the annual conference was a session led by Moses Kanhai and Krishan Kapila on the *Making of the Canada 150 Video.*

The session provided a general background to the project, specific details about how the video was developed and created, the lessons learned from the experience and difficulties in producing a large-scale project with limited resources.

The conference included keynote speakers such as Marie Wilson, former member of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission; Stephen Kakfwi, Dr. Wilson's husband, former premier of the Northwest Territories and residential school survivor; Romeo Dallaire, former commander of the UN peace mission in Rwanda and former senator; Shachi Kurl, executive director, Angus Reid Institute; Nakita Valerio, writer and advocate; Robert Sellers, chair of the World Parliament Religions.

The program also included a Youth Summit, presentations by Young Adult Scholars, a variety of tours, numerous break-out sessions and the annual general meeting.

Other Saskatchewan presenters at NAIN were Brenda Anderson, on Hopeful Dissonance: The Pilgrimage of Spiritual Activism by Indigenous Women and Muslim Feminists, and Maysa Haque, on Journey Towards Sexual Ethics in North American Islam.

Neighbors Without Borders plan solidarity walk in Saskatoon

A Saskatoon family invites members of Multi-Faith Saskatchewan and the public to participate in a solidarity walk Saturday August 11 to promote antiracism and peace.

The following letter from the family describes the purpose of the event.

"Neighbours without Borders is a onetime public action taking place in response to the hate crime inflicted against our father and grandfather, 66year old Abu Sheikh. As he was leaving prayer service at his mosque, and walking to his home, men attacked him by attempting to run him over with a half-ton truck, vandalized his home with bricks, and left him physically and psychologically harmed.

We are standing together to show that racism and hate crimes do not have a place in Canada and Saskatoon. This elder must see that the community is here for him. For that reason, we will be walking from the mosque he prays at, to his home, and then to the neighbouring

Grosvenor Park to have a traditional tea service. We must reclaim our neighbourhood, bring back the beauty into our public space and make neighbours and Abu feel safe again.

For this reason, we invite you to participate at our event taking place on August 11, 2018.

At 2 p.m., we will meet at the mosque, Islamic Association of Saskatchewan, 222 Copland Cres., at 2:30 p.m. partake in a short solidarity walk to Abu's home, and at 3 p.m. return to our neighbouring Grosvenor Park for a traditional tea service. Following the ceremony, performances, and conversation, the event will conclude at 5 p.m.

Please bring your smiles, your hope for a better world, your light and your love, and your readiness to have laughs and hugs with delicious tea, as we do so often in our community."



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