

Minutes
Zone 7 Council Meeting
Mexico April 27th and 28th, 2009.

Participants:

Subud Canada

- Luke Pensey. CC
- Grace Hodgson. KC

Subud Mexico

- Fernando Fatah Nieva. Chair
- Luthfi Becker. CC
- Rasjidah Flores. KC
- Sebastian Flores. KC

Subud Suriname

- Patrick Karijodirono. Chair
- Hillary Marica. KC

Subud USA

- Rosetta Narvaez. CC
- Muchtar Salzman. KC

Subud Caribbean

- Latiff Westmass. Representative coming from Trinidad.

World Subud Council

- Mariamah Flores. Zonal Representative
- Shoshanah Margolyn. International Helper
- Osanna Vaugh. Chair

Visitor: Muchtar Martins. Subud Portugal.

Note:

All participants met together on April 27th, but had several actions that interrupted the work such as: influenza virus that made some participants to look for early flights(day after); Hillary got sick and went to the hospital (from a surgery to a stomach infection diagnosis, payment situation and care during 2 nights); the hostel closed and all had to move to another hotel, and so on. However after dealing with all those unexpected activities the participants decided to work during a long night in order to accomplish the agenda.

April 27th

- Opening
 - Z7 rep. emphasized the importance of Unity and Continuity in the work of the zone 7 council since 2006.
 - Z7 rep. provided a brief summary of the previous zonal council meetings in Mexico, Suriname and Colombia.
2006. To be aware of different functions and roles in our zone 7 council.
2007. Zone7 Council Priorities:
 - Improve communications
 - Endorse enterprises that financially support the work of zone 7.
 - DHARMA MUSIC-Subud - CUBA
 - CIMA Business & Consulting - Mexico
 - Promote the development of enterprises within the zone7 countries.
 - Gathering of the Americas.
 - Support the recommendations and work proposals from WSC meetings.
 - Being present in the world.
 - Joint wings project.
 - 2008. Zone7 council priorities:
 1. Promote the development of enterprises within the zone7 countries.
CC's
 2. Active participation on the World Congress planning.
 3. Draft proposal for a better understanding of the importance of a zone.
Garret and Muchtar
 4. Manual for the next zone 7 representative. Dave and Fernando
 5. Selection process of the next zone7 representative. All
 6. Follow up 2009 zonal council resolutions. All
- Country presentation from Canada.
- World Congress fund for delegates USD\$4,000 to be distributed as follows:
 - USD\$3,000 for Subud Mexico
 - USD\$1,000 for Subud Suriname
 - USD\$ 7,000 needed for one delegate for Suriname and one delegate from Cuba could attend to the World Congress. (to ask WSA)Actual costs:
 - Cuba \$3,500
 - Suriname \$2,800
 - Mexico \$3,000 (all inclusive) \$1,800 (ticket)
- World Congress 2010.
 - Support creating an inner space in all countries. All involved.
 - Consult Maya (ISC) for websites to find out good air ticket fares.
 - Congress draft schedule (see attachment 1)
 - a) Big events: general latihan, opening ceremony, Ibu Rahayu's talks, kejiwaan days, major performances and major cultural events

- b) The cultural activities schedule
 - c) Other activities schedule, including those for young people
 - d) Official Workshops and forums
 - e) WSA delegate business program
 - f) Other Subud business meetings
- Zonal council will follow up through listserver the 5 working parties, one per month starting on May.
 - Inputs and approval of the working parties. *May*
 - The use and benefits of the latihan (including helper work). *June*
 - Supporting endeavors, projects and enterprises. *July*
 - Being present in and open to the world. *August*
 - Continuing to strengthen the organization. *September*
 - Topics to be linked: committees training and PPT to show the value of the zone.
 - WSA finance, possible together with MSF. *October*
 - Zonal council has to ensure to run effective zonal meetings at the World Congress.
 - Follow up the zone 7 proposal: Staggered terms for zonal representatives.
- WSC meeting 2009.
 - Proposals to host the World Congress 2014: Canada, Mexico and USA (to be sent before May 30th; visas are an important criteria to consider.
 - Role description for international Jobs to be sent asap; and the selection process.
 - Budget (USD\$4,000 for delegates support)
 - Detailed information about the Culture Program (expectations)
 - The value of Zone7.
 - Structure of the PPT:
 - Zone7 council work culture 2006-2010
 - Country highlights (action-photos-music)
 - CC's will send Zonal rep their country PPT. Deadline: September.
 - Caribbean. Latiff will integrate Trinidad, Jamaica and Bermuda.
 - General topics.
 - CC'd spanish translation to be done by Luthfi.
 - Presentation of "A plan for humanity" by Muchtar Martins. Seven components: Latihan, message, structure, centers, enterprises, human care, fundraising.

April 28th.

- Kedjiwaan session
 - What is the nature of Subud in Zone7?
 - If the countries were in a state of unity, what could zone7 contribute to Subud in the world?

Zonal council will recommend members to test both questions.

- Caribbean
 - Zonal council will continue inviting members to share Latihan and visit Caribbean members.
 - Trinidad representative shared the actual state of Subud in his country (like a child in the womb still needing to be born, birth will take work, Latiff expressed a commitment to facilitate the growth of Subud in Trinidad).
 - Trinidad has received a donation of Subud books and talks by a member from the US.
 - KC woman (Serena Kaslan) and 2 helpers from Suriname will visit this year members in Trinidad, date to be confirmed (one ticket will be financed by the Helper's without borders program). Hillary will visit Jamaica and then Trinidad after the zonal council meeting in Mexico. Reports from the visits will be sent to the zonal council to follow up.
 - A ticket from Suriname to Trinidad costs around USD\$400 (a flight of 1 hour and a half).

- Zonal representative selection process.

<i>Month of 2009</i>	<i>Action</i>
January	1. Determine the proposed job description and desired qualities/characteristics of the Zone Representative, based on WSA guidelines and Zone Council meeting in Colombia. (Mariamah & Dave). 2. Determine the proposed selection process. (Mariamah & Dave)
February	3. Proposals sent to members of Zone Council.
March	4. Feedback received from members of Zone Council and adjustments made.
April	5. Job description and selection process finalized at Zone Council Meeting.
May	6. Invitations sent to all Zone 7 countries requesting the submission/applications of suitable candidates.
June	7. Applications of candidates reviewed based on the job description by National Chairs, Committee Councilors and Zone Rep. who will select candidates for testing.
July	8. Testing by Kejiwaan Councilors and International Helpers (if needed).

August	9. Results of testing presented to Zone Council who vote for new Zone Rep.
September	10. Candidates thanked and official announcement made. Overlap period until World Congress.
<i>January 2010 World Congress</i>	

- Mariamah will send the final invitation format to the zonal council members for its distribution to members and will post it at the general listserver and SWN.
 - Zonal Rep., CC's and Chairs will review all CV's and approve candidates to continue with testing. (Deadline last week of June).
 - Muchtar will coordinate with all KC's the testing process and communicate with Mariamah to present the candidate that the Kedjiwaan councilors recommend for the position according with the testing results. (Deadline: Second week of July).
- **General**
IH's will visit Subud Mexico on July, dates to be confirmed from the 2nd-4th week of the month. The priority is to work close with the national helpers and national committee.
- **Goals accomplished at the meeting.**
 - Starting preparation for the World Subud Congress in 2010.
 - Process to select our next zonal representative.
 - Topics to follow up at the coming WSC meeting.
 - Distribution of the delegates fund to attend the World congress.
 - Starting preparation of a PPT to show the value of the zone at the world congress and from there at all local, regional and national gatherings.