

Newcomers' Collaborative
 Multicultural Celebration Event Planning Meeting
 September 20, 2017 / 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
 Little House 131 Avocado Ave. El Cajon, CA 92020

Agenda Items	Action
<p>I. Welcome and Introductions, participants included: Jesus Pacheco—EJE Academies, Ingrid Lopez—EJE Academies, Sarah Tominna—Grossmont Adult School, Susanne Ball—SDYS, Dilkhwaz Ahmed—License to Freedom, George Ibarra--CSA, Estela del los Rios—CSA, Brandon Vivera—Grossmont College, Diana Barajas—Grossmont College, Sherry Naum—Home Start, Hamza Alltaidari—Bridge Org., May Hasan—SDYS, Bridge, Dalia Alzendi—Bridge Org., Juin Liu—IRC, Carol Lewis—ECC, Renee Nasori—Grossmont College</p>	
<p>II. Overview of Meeting—Reviewed meeting at Little House on August 8th. Event will be Saturday, November 4, 2017 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Lunch served 12:00 to 1:00.</p>	
<p>III. Logistics. What do we need to help Jesus with the site? Space for 25 resource tables (agencies will bring their own tables & chairs) and 10 tables for food and sign in. There will be a sign up sheet for set up and clean up at the next Newcomers' meeting. Grossmont College, STAAND, and Syrian community will be asked to provide volunteers for the set up, take down, parking patrol, and guest assistance.</p>	<p>Reports at the next meeting on volunteer recruitment.</p>
<p>IV. Expenses and Budget.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsorships—Carol will send out a donation template letter. CSA will act as the fiscal agent. Estela came up with a budget of around \$200 for sponsorships. • Ribbon Cutting Ceremony—Ingrid Lopez will be the MC. Invitations to Mayor Bill Wells (Estela) and Grossmont College President Dr. Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh (Renee Nasori) to welcome guests along with EJE Director Eva Pacheco. Chair Estela will make announcements and the ribbon cutting is to be decided. A refugee who has a compelling story was suggested by Dilkhwaz. Faith-based organizations will also be invited. • Prizes—Dilkhwaz will coordinate the prizes. The group thought about 20 prizes. It was suggested to have a \$100 gift card prize for the best cultural attire. Put contest on flyer. Drawing will be done from passports that the kids will complete. • In-Kind Printing & Advertising—HHSA has offered to offset the cost of the printing by doing most of it in-house. • Lunch—HHSA has offered to fund the food for the event. 	<p>Estela will send Carol the Tax ID number and Carol will send out the letter. Estela to send invitation to Mayor Wells and Renee to Dr. Nabil.</p>

<p>V. Event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshops or Speakers—Lorraine & Abdi—Lorraine will send out the resource tables and speaker sign ups this week. • Resource Tables—Lorraine & Abdi—They will check with May to see if anyone has signed up yet. They will distribute a registration next week. • Multicultural Entertainment—Jesus & Ingrid—All entertainment ideas and confirmations should be sent to Ingrid at ingridvissuet@gmail.com. She will coordinate the entertainment. Dilkhwaz was able to secure a DJ for 4 hours so she will work with Ingrid to schedule him to assist with the entertainment. • Food—George & Jennifer—George and Jennifer will meet to discuss food. A suggestion was made for a refugee run restaurant. They will get the name to George. It was suggested that we have a Middle Eastern and Mexican Food. More selection is even better. The committee will see if the restaurants will furnish plates and utensils. • Children’s Activities—Susanne Ball & Sarah Tominna--Susanne Ball from SDYS is going to find out about Wandering Puppets, Urban Beats, and Drums. Habitat for Humanity offered to have building stations for desks & chairs to be donated to children but weren’t in attendance. Sarah Tominna and Susanne Ball are the contacts. Resource tables will be encouraged to have activities for the kids. • Media, Advertising, Passports, Posters, Programs, Signs—Jennifer Navala & Carol Lewis—Jesus will get photos to Carol for the flyer or create a flyer to submit. Meanwhile, we need translations done for the Save the Date so Carol can get it submitted to the school district. Ask CVUSD staff if we can get an “All Call” for the event. HHSa will print in-house. George suggested a Facebook page for the event. Carol will create it this week. • Site Coordinator—Jesus Pacheco—We just want to be sure that we support Jesus with volunteers and assistance with the event. 	
<p>VI. Post Activities—May Hassan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you notes, emails and acknowledgement at meeting. Survey of success and challenges. Not time for discussion. 	
<p>VII. Agency Announcements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. 	
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| <i>NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: Wednesday, October 4th 2:00-3:30</i> | |