



MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Council of Sacramento Valley Islamic Organizations (COSVIO)

January 25, 2025 – 11 am – 1 pm

SALAM Islamic Center

Attendees

Abdur Rahim, Recovery in Islam	Shaker Balkis, Masjid Annur
Yassar Dahbour, Palestine American League	Suhir Haranay, Islamic Society of Rancho Cordova
Imam Askia Mohammed Abdulmajeed, Al Iman Mosque of Elk grove	Irfan Haq, Tarbiya institute
Omar Ahmed, MAS	Arwa Houry, SALAM
Asif Sheikh, Good Effort	Omar MoheyEldin, SALAM
Lina Mokeddem, CAIR-SV/CC	Haamed Sayedi, Muhajer Foundation
Naiyerah Kolkailah, CAIR-SV/CC	Omar Chaudhry, ICNA
Majed Sayedi, Muhajer Foundation	Tamer Ahmed, COSVIO
Zahad Mahmoud, V Street	Sarfraz Anwar, V Street
Shakeb Kundiwala	<i>Guest: Rukhsana Azhar</i>
<i>Guest: Nael Mohamed Hasan</i>	

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Start Time: 11:00 AM

Member Organizations: 8 organizations present

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- The minutes from the **November 3, 2024** meeting at Masjid Annur were reviewed and approved without objections.

Agenda Overview

The agenda for the meeting was presented and included the following key topics:



- Unity Eid 2025 Update
- Financial Report
- Membership Sign-Up and Dues
- New Business: Community Programs and Initiatives
- Organization Updates

Unity Eid 2025 Update

Presented by: Sr. Lina Mokeddem

- Event Overview: Unity Eid 2025 will feature expanded activities and improved logistics to enhance the attendee experience.
- New Additions: Expanded children's activities, virtual reality experiences, and improved entertainment programs.
- Logistics Improvements: Additional entrance gates, increased staff coordination, and enhanced transportation for elderly attendees.
- Sponsorship & Budget: The estimated budget for the event is \$150,000, with \$80,000 still needed. Fundraising efforts include outreach to businesses and upcoming fundraising events.
- Food & Bazaar Vendors: Encouragement for more vendors to sign up via the Unity Eid website. Deadline for food vendor applications is January 31, 2025.
- Community Support Needed: Encouragement for organizations to promote Unity Eid, host fundraising tables, and share event details in newsletters.

Financial Report

- Current balance: \$20,000 (after expenses and pending payments, expected balance to drop to approximately \$10,000).
- Breakdown of expenses includes Unity Eid preparations, security grant applications, and fundraising training.
- Need for additional funding emphasized to support upcoming initiatives.

Membership Update & Sign-Up Encouragement

- Organizations were encouraged to become COSVIO members. Annual membership is \$800.
- Member benefits include access to training, leadership development, and voting privileges.
- A QR code was provided for immediate membership sign-up.

New Business

Proposal for Umrah Group Travel Initiative

Presented by: Sr. Rukhsana Azhar



- Proposal to organize group Umrah trips under COSVIO's umbrella.
- Discussion on potential liability and feasibility.
- Organizations encouraged to provide feedback before moving forward.

Council of Imams Initiative

- Proposed initiative to establish a Council of Imams to facilitate collaboration and training.
- COSVIO will facilitate meetings and support the development of resources.
- Organizations encouraged to communicate with their imams to gauge interest.

Organizational Updates

- Downtown Masjid: Updates on upcoming events and programs.
- Tarbiya Institute: Expansion projects and new educational initiatives.
- MCF: Upcoming financial literacy program and community engagement projects.
- MAS-SSF: Fundraiser scheduled for February 22, 2025; looking for sponsors and attendees.
- CAIR Sacramento: Outreach programs, legal services, and Muslim Day at the Capitol event in April.
- ICNA: Fundraiser on February 16, 2025; new outreach location in downtown Sacramento.
- SALAM Islamic Center: Internship applications opening soon; Center for Higher Islamic Learning launching in Fall 2025.

Next Steps & Action Items

- Organizations to promote Unity Eid fundraising efforts.
- Encourage member organizations to sign up for COSVIO membership.
- Finalize logistics and facilitator details for the Council of Imams.
- Continue planning for future COSVIO meetings and community initiatives.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:20 PM