



A path to beauty & abundance

**Meeting Agenda for January 18, 2017 – 7:30PM**

**1. Roll-call**

Board Members (2016)		
Chairperson: Amaru Bustamante	Vice-Chairperson: Isabel Bustamante	Secretary and Treasurer: Pedro Mejia
Trustee: Angela Alberti	Trustee: Randall Esulto	

Other Attendees			

**2. News and Recent Events**

- 2.1. Just Dance 2016 – Completed
- 2.2. Giving Tuesday Facebook Fundraiser - Completed

**3. Open Projects**

**3.1. Bogota Public Library: International Potluck Lunch**

- 3.1.1. What: A joint Bogota Library and Bogota Beautiful community potluck party to bring people together and encourages participants to bring a favorite dish or dish from their cultural/national background
- 3.1.2. When: Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, tentatively 1PM – 3PM
- 3.1.3. Where: Bogota Senior Citizens Center
- 3.1.4. Why: To bring the community together to celebrate diversity. Also, to provide publicity for the Library and Bogota Beautiful
- 3.1.5. Who: Project Lead/s: Alicia Pugh, Cornelia Geraghty
  - 3.1.5.1. Resources: Tommy Skrnich, Radwa Ali, Isabel Bustamante
- 3.1.6. Updates: To be discussed

**3.2. Community Garden**

- 3.2.1. What: By permission of the Bogota City Council, a community garden installed by Bogota Beautiful, and maintained by Community Garden members that provides land for plants, flowers, herbs, and possibly produce
- 3.2.2. Updates: To be discussed
- 3.2.3. Give A Garden
  - 3.2.3.1. What: Offer to plant a vegetable garden on neighborhood properties

3.2.3.2. Where: Private homes' yards, and other properties (e.g. corner of Fort Lee and River Road across from gas station)

3.2.3.3. Who: Project Lead/s: Joseph Gallagher

3.2.3.4. Updates: Promote for 2017

### **3.3. World War I Memorial Beautification**

3.3.1. What: Beautify the area around the World War I Memorial

3.3.2. When: Q2 2017

3.3.3. Where: Corner of W. Fort Lee Rd and River Rd

3.3.4. Why: To beautify the area in honor of veterans

3.3.5. Who: Project Lead: Amaru Bustamante, Resource: VFW

3.3.6. Target participants: Bogota VFW volunteers, municipal resources, etc.

3.3.7. Updates: Postponed to Q2 2017

### **3.4. Bogota Beautiful presents High School Musical**

3.4.1. What: A community theater production of Disney's High School Musical

3.4.2. When: Spring/Summer 2017

3.4.3. Where: Steen School

3.4.4. Why: To engage and provide an opportunity for Bogota's young people, actors, dancers, artists, and musicians, amateurs and professionals alike, to come together to showcase their talents and provide entertainment for the community.

3.4.5. Who: Project Lead: Isabel Bustamante

3.4.6. Target participants: Bogota's teens and anyone interested to participate in a community theater production

3.4.7. Updates: To be discussed

### **3.5. Storefront Pop-Up Art Gallery**

3.5.1. What: Request Bogota store-fronts and other public-display venues to host artwork of local Bogota artists. These might be "pop-up" events where artwork is displayed for a limited time, may or may not have an event associated with it (e.g. "meet the artist", etc.), and the artwork may or may not be for sale as determined and agreed by the participants.

3.5.2. Who: Project Lead: Amaru Bustamante

3.5.3. Updates: Requires a new promotional push

## **4. Other Business, New Project Ideas or Requests**

4.1. Bogota Beautiful website has been updated with a new theme. We welcome your suggestions to improve the site.

4.2. Bogota Beautiful was registered with Amazon Smile where 0.5 percent of purchases will be donated to Bogota Beautiful. Use <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/81-2334607> when shopping to select Bogota Beautiful, Inc. as your charitable organization.

4.3. "Painting 101" fundraiser idea – A all-inclusive painting tutorial by local artist Mary Ellen Murphy

4.3.1. Original dates proposed did not work with Mary Ellen's availability. New dates to be proposed.

4.4. Suggest project ideas:

4.4.1. "Seniors Lawn Care" – Community Service opportunity for H.S. students to assist Senior Citizens with basic lawn care

4.4.2. "Bogota Block Party" – Community building and fundraising event

## **Open Discussion**