



Williams Lake Muslim Association

WLMA Incorporated under the BC Societies Act (Number: S0081549)

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Meeting Date: July 1, 2025, Location: Online

Attendees:

BCMA: Mr. Muhammad Asad Gondal (President BCMA)

WLMA: Dr. Rafiullah, Mrs. Afroj Azad, Dr. Ali Rehman, Mr. Nadim Mulani, Mr. Imran Khan, Mr. Arif Khan,

Regrets: Dr. Abubakar Ahmer

Background:

The meeting was the formal meet up of WLMA Board of Directors (BOD) and President of BCMA to move forward with the registration of pledged memberships to initiate registration process of WLMA as Central Cariboo Islamic Center (CCIC) as a chapter of BCMA.

Meeting held online and following points were discussed.

1. Branch vs. Chapter Clarification
2. Required Documentation
3. Membership Form Demonstration

Meeting Points:

The meeting commenced with opening remarks by Dr. Rafiullah, who subsequently passed the session to Mr. Imran Khan for moderation.

1. Branch vs. Chapter Clarification & Memberships Requirement After Five Years

A detailed discussion was held regarding the distinction between a BCMA Branch and a Chapter. The primary difference lies in the number of members each can have, which in turn affects the number of representatives they are allowed in the BCMA governing body.

It was also clarified that, to maintain registration with BCMA, a Chapter or Branch must renew a minimum number of memberships.



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2. Required Documentation

Brother Asad will provide the official requirements document—including the terms, conditions, and BCMA bylaws—upon receiving a formal request by email

3. Membership Form Demonstration

A live walkthrough of the BCMA membership form was provided.

Initially, CCIC will register their members under the Prince George Chapter.

Each member is required to submit a unique email address and phone number to create an individual profile on the BCMA website.

In exceptional cases, some flexibility regarding phone numbers may be considered.

Action Items:

- The WLMA team will send a formal task request to Brother Asad to initiate the sharing of required documents.
- Complete the BCMA registration and submit payments as soon as possible.

Ending Note:

The meeting concluded on a positive and collaborative note. All participants, including Brother Asad, expressed a shared sense of optimism about the future of the **Central Cariboo Islamic Center (Williams Lake Muslim community)**.

The discussion reinforced a strong commitment to working together towards formal affiliation with BCMA, ensuring compliance with membership requirements and organizational standards.

Brother Asad also kindly committed to personally visiting Williams Lake to deliver membership cards once the registration process is finalized; further strengthening the connection between BCMA and the local community.