

Bharatiya Temple of Lansing: Monthly Meeting			
February 5, 2017			
Time: 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.			
Location: Temple Board Room			
Reported by : Dr. Narsimha Gundamraj			
Attendees			
X	Mrs. Meena Sharma	X	Mr. Ketan Patel
	Mrs. Kiran Gupta	X	Mr. Mathi Ramachandran
	Mr. Rajat Shah	X	Mr. Ramesh Devaram
	Mr. Devesh Poddar	X	Mr. Bidhan Redey
		X	Mr. Narsimha Gundamraj

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
	Meeting Started with Pooja.	
Temple Website Update	Discussed meeting minutes to be sent on time. Previous meeting minutes being not posted online is due to problems with online upload problems.	
Treasurer Update	Financial Committee update: W2 for Panditji and Shastriji. Balances: Checking: \$57,475.97 Savings:\$ 80,111.70 Discussed workman comp insurance policy. Board approved Acting treasurer Ramesh Devaram.	Rameshji and Mathiji meet with Madanji, Rajat Shah and figure out year ending tax related activities and 2016 Audit.
Board Member Terms	Discussed current positions that will end at the end of the year. Board member terms ending 2017 are of Ketanji, Meenaji, Dr.Gundamraj.	
Fundraising Update	Plaques for donors reaching life member and other status to be placed on the board in the lobby. Fund raising update: Committee to meet in	Mathiji will order.

	<p>the week to discuss plans.</p> <p>Projects for temple should be approved before initiation of the project. Board needs to be aware and informed before starting project.</p> <p>Part of the funds from Matha ki Chowki, donations are approved by board for bathroom improvement project.</p> <p>Board approved advertisement on temple TV in the lobby and basement at 365 dollars per year.</p>	
<p>Priest Committee update</p>	<p>Shastriji Aug 3rd to 7th needs vacation.</p> <p>Discussed about a devotee's complaint about 3rd Sunday Havan.</p> <p>Making the community aware of priest availability online.</p> <p>Both Priests signed employment contract per Ketanji.</p>	<p>Approved.</p> <p>Priest Mangement committee members will discuss with priests and resolve this issue</p> <p>Website committee members will work with Shiv Singh.</p>
<p>Maintenance Update</p>	<p>Part of the audio system not functioning well.</p> <p>Stay Dry company for Flushing sump pumps price raised to \$695 from \$500. Currently doing quarterly maintenance. Discussed to do semi- annual maintenance instead of quarterly.</p> <p>Otis elevator company for load test about \$1400</p> <p>US Flag bought and needs installation.</p> <p>Need Router and modem to cover entire temple premises.</p>	<p>Follow up with Sandip Shah to replace part of the audio system.</p> <p>Board approved.</p> <p>Board approved.</p>

	<p>Need brighter lights to brighten the area just below the elevated sanctum area approved by board. This area is frequently used by kids and dancers to perform during temple events. Funds to be collected.</p> <p>Om symbol approved by board. Look for a sign and logistics of how to put it on the Ram Seetha Kutir.</p>	
Puja Update	<p>Temple upcoming programs for Feb, March and April update given by Meenaji.</p> <p>Before a major event organizer/coordinator should come at least two days before and check plates etc. Priests help the organizer for those. Audio systems and accessories to be checked in advance.</p> <p>Leave plates etc needed for the event under the table.</p> <p>Flowers will be brought by Dr.Poomathi until next week. Murali will do afterwards.</p>	
	Meeting ended with prayer	