

Bharatiya Temple of Lansing - Monthly Temple Board Meeting			
October 4, 2020			
Time: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM			
Location: Temple			
Reported by: Manasi Upadhye			
Attendees			
X	Mr. Ramesh Devaram	X	Mrs. Meena Sharma
X	Mrs. Prashanti Boinapally	X	Mrs. Sapna Sood
X	Mr Pardeep Kumar	X	Mr. Gundamraj Rao
X	Mr. Chandrashekar Rayannavar		Mr. Rampal Agrawal
X	Mrs. Manasi Upadhye		
Additional Attendees			

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Prayer	Meeting started with a prayer	
Review pending action items from previous meeting if any	All the pending action items were reviewed. Notes are added to the respective sections. - Add a display in the front lobby and a door buzzer –	Will Take some time
Finance Update	Fund Raising Efforts: Send community email requesting devotees to donate. Use the earlier text that was used.	Meenaji to send the email.
	Post October 25 and before Diwali – send personalized emails to the devotees - divide the work between the trustees. Finance committee to come up with a plan.	
	Card for Pardeepji – Tried multiple times. Problems with communication from the bank. In the meantime, Pardeepji can use Temple Debit card as first preference, or his own personal credit card.	
	Temple important documents safekeeping - Find a secure place like bank locker. Need further investigation. Keeping the scanned documents is also a good idea.	May be next year board can work on the option.

	<p>The home sale check has been deposited to Fifth Third bank for now.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do not lock the money in anything. Keep the money in Fifth Third bank for now. 2. Buying a home near to the temple in the planned budget. Temple can build an equity. <p>Prashanti ji shared below information on LEAP Grant - \$10,000 grant funds must only be used for mortgage, Utilities and Priest salaries. If there is any audit then a proof of how the money was spent may need to be provided.</p> <p>PPE loan – Bank still has not opened the portal for us to take any action.</p>	<p>All board members present in the meeting agreed.</p> <p>All board members present in the meeting agreed. Rameshji will talk to Mineshji.</p>
<p>Infrastructure & Operations Committee update</p>	<p>No questions on the updates.</p> <p>Security system – Pardeepji is going to contact Simply Safe and figure out the cost.</p> <p>Plan is to replace existing system which is very old.</p> <p>Library Room blinds – need reinstallation</p> <p>As there are no lot of devotees, part of the parking lot can be closed and will not need snow removal.</p> <p>Heat is set on. Since the doors are open, monitor the heat flow and bill. Ok to add software lock so that nobody can tamper the thermostat.</p> <p>Shastriji’s house couple of things got fixed.</p> <p>Basement condition is fine. Gopuram leak is fixed.</p>	
<p>Priest Committee updates</p>	<p>Priest Contact updates communicated by Sapanaji –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List of festivals listed in the contract. The criteria for the bonus will be documented in the policy document for future boards to refer to. 2. Getting quotes for health insurance. 3. Devotee’s name from the contract will be removed. Will be 	

	recorded under Finance Guidelines.	
Religious Events Committee Updates	<p>No questions on updates shared by Meenaji.</p> <p>Navaratri -> Committee had a meeting with the coordinators.</p> <p>Priests will do Durga aarati from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in the temple all 9 days.</p> <p>The committee will coordinate all the events happening during October 17 to October 25th with the priests.</p> <p>Details will be shared via temple email.</p> <p>October 21st, Wednesday evening - Temple will remain open to accommodate Navarathri Puja schedule</p> <p>October 24th, Saturday morning Temple will remain open from 9am to 1pm to accommodate Srinivasa Kalyanam along with regular scheduled pujas</p> <p>Plan a meeting mid-October to discuss Diwali logistics.</p>	Meenaji will schedule a meeting
Community Outreach Committee Updates	<p>No questions on the updates given by the outreach committee.</p> <p>Member's appreciation dinner logistics details communicated by Manasi.</p> <p>Committee will prepare flyers for upcoming events during Navratri to post it on the temple FB page.</p>	
Youth Committee Update	Balavihar for this academic year will not be conducted due to the ongoing pandemic situation.	
2019 Temple Audit	Uday Malavia ji agreed to do the audit.	Deadline to get the audit done – October 31 st
Discuss AGM planning	<p>Format of the AGM need to be discussed as we approach the date based on the Covid situation at that time.</p> <p>Board is seeking nominations for 2 positions - Raj, Manasi going out.</p> <p>2 existing members Sapnaji and Pardeepji are open for reelection.</p>	

Constitution committee update	Madan Lalwaniji is currently on Constitution committee. Madanji will add more members to the committee.	Board members will send in the request for the updates to the constitution by Oct 15 th
Covid Precaution	Perform temperature check for the devotees entering the temple.	Covid/ Safety team inform priests & Meenaji to send information out in the weeks community announcement.
Next Meeting	In person – subject to the conditions at that time and strictly following all the rules. Date: 11/01/2020	