

Bharatiya Temple of Lansing - Monthly Temple Board Meeting			
July 05, 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	X	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	<p>Finance committee to discuss options to switch to a different bank from Fifth Third.</p> <p>Applying for a credit card for Pardeepji.</p> <p>Review and possible update the pledge form to add clarity – pledge for the entire year v/s pledge against a specific event.</p> <p>Prepare 1141 property flyer and post on FB</p> <p>Place security surveillance stickers on Temple property (outside doors and windows).</p> <p>Small hundies will be ordered. Cost range from \$6 to \$10 approved. Need 7 items. Hundies will be kept next to each main idol. Devotees can drop the coins in the respective hundi instead of putting them near the idol. These hundies can be opened once a quarter.</p>	<p>Long term plan</p> <p>Process initiated.</p> <p>Ramesh has shared the existing pledge card with Manasi. Manasi to come up with a suggestion and share with the board.</p> <p>Task completed by Prashantiji.</p> <p>Task completed by Prashantiji.</p> <p>Prashantiji will place an order.</p>

Finance Update	Chandrashekarji had provided Finance committee updates including quarterly report for April to June 2020 via email.	
	Pardeepji had sent few comments via email. His email will be discussed within the Finance committee. Responses will be shared with the board.	Action item for the Finance committee.
	Pardeepji also reported that the Mortgage amount is not in the report.	Chandrasekharji to review and resend the report.
Infrastructure & Operations Committee update	<p>Pardeep ji to send the updates via email to the boards.</p> <p>The old door should not be used for entry/exit. Not to be used for car puja either. It should be used as emergency Exit only. Priest, Traver and Tod -> inform them not to use the door.</p> <p>Air conditioning – yearly maintenance needs to be done.</p> <p>Grass mowing – Pardeepji to call the vendor well in advance if mowing needs to be skipped.</p> <p>Gopuram leakage – need to get fixed. Infrastructure committee is in the process of working with the vendor.</p> <p>Get the glass pieces under the broken window collected.</p>	Action item for Pardeepji.
Priest Committee updates	<p>Below items were discussed -</p> <p>Request of priests to go back to the original timings of 3 hrs in the morning and 3 hours in the evening rather than 2 in the morning and 4 in the evening.</p> <p>Getting back to original schedule (Priest working half days, fri/sat/ sun both can be there)</p> <p>Giving 4th July National Day holiday</p> <p>Request to Board members to approach the priest directly if any instructions need to be given rather than giving message to the other priest for addressing. This leads to communication</p>	<p>No change</p> <p>No Change</p> <p>Pick up a day between Tue, Thus, Friday</p>

	<p>gap. As Priest committee our goal is to bridge the gap between our priests, please help us in achieving it.</p> <p>Only 3 categories of External Pujas allowed – Death, Bhumi Puja, Wedding.</p> <p>Get a thermometer for temple. Priest will use it to take temp. when devotee arrives.</p> <p>Remind priests to follow the current working instructions strictly.</p> <p>Board members to help the priests follow the instructions if and when they are around.</p> <p>Gentle reminder to the devotees for not bringing any form of offerings to the god.</p> <p>Navagraha area – lot of stuff is kept in the area</p> <p>Utsav murtis -> can they be moved</p>	<p>Rajji will order.</p> <p>Add to the weekly announcement.</p> <p>Priest committee to request the priest to clean it.</p> <p>Priest Committee to get inputs from the priests.</p>
<p>Religious Events Committee Updates</p>	<p>Guru Purnima puja event went very well. No questions on the updates provided by the Religious Events Committee.</p>	
<p>Community Outreach Committee Updates</p>	<p>There were no questions by the board members for the updates provided by the outreach committee. Action was taken on the items from previous month’s meeting.</p>	
<p>Youth Committee Update</p>	<p>No much activity at present.</p>	
<p>Decide the format of the meeting going forward</p>	<p>Till the situation gets better continue with zoom meeting.</p> <p>General guideline - Committee Chair to share the monthly updates 2 days prior to the meeting with the entire board.</p> <p>Respective committees need to resolve issues within the committee and come up with a recommendation.</p>	

	<p>If issue needs to be resolved by the board and not urgent then can be discussed in the board meeting. If a response is needed immediately then approach the Chair and Co-chair.</p>	
1141 Property Update	<p>5 showing so far. No offer yet. Request the parties to make an offer.</p> <p>The committee will decide on a real estate agent prior to July 15 and from July 15 go through the agent for property sale.</p>	
Plan Pledge reminder dates	<p>2020 pledge reminder - July 15 2019 pledge second reminder – July 31</p>	Manasi to send the emails.
Prepare a list for Constitution Amendments	<p>Need to have a Constitution Committee. Madan Lalwaniji has shown interest to lead and form a committee. Approved by the board.</p> <p>Chair and Co-chair to maintain the list of items for which constitution amendment is required keeping the board members in the loop.</p>	
Appointing a Nomination and Election Committee by the board	<p>Below committee was approved by the board – Mrs. Aparna Agrawal - Chair of the Nomination & Election committee Dr. Suman Kashyap Dr. Chandra Mohan Gera Dr. Padmani Karna Mr. Mathi Ramachandran</p> <p>Meenaji and Rameshji will brief Aparnaji on the process. Election committee to handle the process independently. Board members should not interfere in the working of the committee.</p>	
Temple Website Maintenance	Meenaji will work with Shivji.	
List of members for 2020 as of June End	<p>June Hundi collection happened on June 27th. The member list as of June 30th can be finalized after July data entry. This list will be shared with the Election Committee.</p>	

