Bharatiya Temple of Lansing - Monthly Temple Board Meeting							
Octob	October 4, 2020						
Time:	Time: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM						
Location: Temple							
Report	Reported by: Manasi Upadhye						
Attend	Attendees						
Х	Mr. Ramesh Devaram	Х	Mrs. Meena Sharma				
Х	Mrs. Prashanti Boinapally	Х	Mrs. Sapna Sood				
Х	Mr Pardeep Kumar	Х	Mr. Gundamraj Rao				
Х	Mr. Chandrashekar Rayannavar		Mr. Rampal Agrawal				
Х	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. Post October 25 and before Diwali – send personalized emails to the devotees - divide the work between the trustees.	Meenaji to send the email.
	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.

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	 The home sale check has been deposited to Fifth Third bank for now. 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. 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 provided. 	All board members present in the meeting agreed. All board members present in the meeting agreed. Rameshji will talk to Mineshji.
	PPE loan – Bank still has not opened the	
	portal for us to take any action.	
Infrastructure &	No questions on the updates.	
Operations Committee	Security system – Pardeepji is going to	
update	contact Simply Safe and figure out the	
	cost.	
	Plan is to replace existing system which is	
	very old.	
	Library Room blinds – need reinstallation	
	As there are no lot of devotees, part of	
	the parking lot can be closed and will not	
	need snow removal.	
	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.	
	Shastriji's house couple of things got fixed.	
	Basement condition is fine. Gopuram	
	leak is fixed.	
Priest Committee	Priest Contact updates communicated by	
updates	Sapanaji –	
,	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	No questions on updates shared by Meenaji.	
	Navaratri -> Committee had a meeting with the coordinators.	
	Priests will do Durga aarati from 7:00 to	
	8:00 pm in the temple all 9 days.	
	The committee will coordinate all the events happening during October 17 to	
	October 25 th with the priests.	
	Details will be shared via temple email.	
	October 21st, Wednesday evening - Temple will remain open to	
	accommodate Navarathri Puja schedule October 24th, Saturday morning Temple will remain open from 9am to 1pm to	
	accommodate Srinivasa Kalyanam along with regular scheduled pujas	
	Plan a meeting mid-October to discuss Diwali logistics.	Meenaji will schedule a meeting
Community Outreach	No questions on the updates given by	
Committee Updates	the outreach committee.	
	Member's appreciation dinner logistics	
	details communicated by Manasi. Committee will prepare flyers for	
	upcoming events during Navratri to post	
	it on the temple FB page.	
Youth Committee	Balavihar for this academic year will not	
Update	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	Format of the AGM need to be discussed	
	as we approach the date based on the	
	Covid situation at that time.	
	Board is seeking nominations for 2	
	positions - Raj, Manasi going out.	
	2 existing members Sapnaji and	
	Pardeepji are open for reelection.	

Constitution	Madan Lalwaniji is currently on	Board members will send in the
committee update	Constitution committee. Madanji will	request for the updates to the
	add more members to the committee.	constitution by Oct 15 th
Covid Precaution	Perform temperature check for the	Covid/ Safety team inform
	devotees entering the temple.	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	