

Bharatiya Temple of Lansing: Monthly Meeting			
April 9, 2017			
Time: 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.			
Location: Temple Board Room			
Reported by : Dr. Narasimha Gundamraj			
Attendees			
X	Mrs. Meena Sharma	X	Mr. Ketan Patel
	Mrs. Kiran Gupta	X	Mr. Mathi Ramachandran
	Mr. Rajat Shah	X	Mr. Ramesh Devaram (BY Phone)
	Mr. Devesh Poddar	X	Mr. Bidhan Redey
		X	Mr. Narasimha Gundamraj

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
	Meeting Started with Pooja.	
Website	All previous meeting minutes uploaded to website Making the community aware of priest availability online. Dr. Raj to lead checking temple devotee emails.	Mathi to check with Shiv Singh for adding audio files and reply to devotee. Mathi to send email to few board members for temple email monitoring.
Treasurer Update	Balances: Checking: \$57,895.57(Including this month deposit of \$8,709) Savings: \$80,121.52 Board approved and gave permission to Mr.Madan Lalwani to sell Ameriprise shares. 2016 audit - Mathi talked to Udayji. Will meet next week. All files organized. Ornaments audit to be done for this year.	Mathi to give all the documents to Madanji to sell the Ameriprise. 2016 audit to meet with Udayji. Mathi to audit ornaments with 2 community members Ramesh acting treasurer to have check signing access
Fundraising Update	Plaques for life member:	

	<p>Mathi fixed it with the help of Ashokji, Rameshji and Shastriji. Plaques to be arranged in yearly order from now on.</p> <p>Board approved advertisement on temple TV in the lobby and basement for 365 dollars per year.</p> <p>Fundraising committee again to meet April last week or May</p>	<p>Dr. Raj will send message to Meenaji to E mail to community that they can advertise on the temple TV screen.</p> <p>Dr. Raj will schedule the meeting.</p> <p>Dr. Raj to order kids saving banks, send images to board</p>
<p>Priest Committee update</p>	<p>Priest meeting minutes sent by Kiranji(Email):</p> <p>Abhishek milk to be collected and thrown in the outside basin where we wash hands. Also every Monday night the priests on duty will pour Clorox before leaving.</p> <p>All scheduled puja will be performed regardless of devotees coming or not, every single time.</p> <p>If an outside puja has been booked and the priest is sick they cannot perform the puja without getting approval by the board.</p> <p>Priest duties were explained to both priests and they were given feedback on punch cards.</p> <p>Shastriji wanted to go to India on 15th April and come back 15th May.</p> <p>Panditji requested a day off while Shastriji is gone because he feels that Shastriji has to cover him for only 3 weeks at a time where as he has to do for 5 weeks without a break that is too much for him.</p>	<p>Shastriji vacation approved.</p> <p>His request is reasonable. Board to decide how they want to handle it.</p>
<p>Maintenance Update</p>	<p>US Flag installed</p>	

	<p>Router and modem to cover entire temple premises installed.</p> <p>Om symbol installed</p> <p>Part of the audio system not functioning well.</p> <p>Ketanji, Meenaji met to discuss brighter lights to brighten the area just below the elevated sanctum area. Need some more time to plan.</p> <p>New security cameras. Will look into a new system to cover certain areas.</p> <p>Parking Lot Lights - Adityaji working on this</p> <p>Jain temple roof is fixed.</p> <p>Temple Basement Picture Frames Installed.</p> <p>Two basement bathrooms renovation: Ashokji lead this project and completed the renovation. Expenses are around \$5000.</p> <p><u>Upcoming Projects:</u></p> <p>Kitchen Renovation: Pradeepji is working on this project. Estimated expenses are around \$15,000.</p> <p>Parking Lot Resurfacing: Adithyaji working on this project.</p> <p>Board decided to use maximum 50% of fundraised amount for upcoming board approved projects. Board will increase or decrease the percentage based on the project.</p>	<p>Mathi and Ketan to test installed router and WiFi booster how it works.</p> <p>Sandip Shah and Bidhan to repair audio system.</p> <p>Funds for lights. Ketan Meenaji will work on this project.</p> <p>Door stopper to be installed</p> <p>Security committee to meet.</p> <p>Mathi and Ashokji is collecting funds for this project.</p>
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Puja Update	Mata Ki Chawki, First Sunday puja, Ramnavami and Sita Rama Kalyanam went very well. Lot of devotees attended the Pujas/Celebrations. Upcoming Pujas: Lord Ayyappa, Tamil & Malayalam New Year Pujas on April15th.	
	Meeting ended with prayer	