

<b>Bharatiya Temple of Lansing - Monthly Temple Board Meeting</b>			
<b>September 13, 2015</b>			
<b>Time: 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM</b>			
<b>Location: Temple</b>			
Reported by : Manasi Upadhye			
<b>Attendees</b>			
X	Mr. Ashok Gupta	X	Mr. Subhash Gupta
X	Mrs. Meena Sharma	X	Mr. Mathi Ramachandran
	Mrs. Vani Avula	X	Mrs. Manasi Upadhye
	Mr. Ketan Patel		Mr. Sanjay Gupta
X	Mr. Gundamraj Rao		
<b>Additional Attendees</b>			
Mrs. Joanne			

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action</b>
Review of August meeting Minutes	<p>Pending Action Items from August Meeting</p> <p><b>Making Puja donation Tax deductible -</b> Need to update the database so that temple puja donations can be counted as tax deductible donations and the donation receipts at the end of year can be generated accordingly.</p> <p>Boards in the temple need to be updated to say Puja donation and not fees.</p>	<p>August Meeting minutes were approved.</p> <p>Pending item for Manasi - Manasi will work with Shiv to get this done.</p> <p>Pending Action Item for Vaniji and Mathi</p>
Update of Gopuram repairs	With the heady rain after the repair work got some water leak. Issue may have caused due to roof problems. Ashokji and Ketanji are working with the roof repair person and the parson who did the gopuram repair work to figure out the solution.	
Painting work in the affected areas	Kentanji and Ashokji are working on getting a good quote to get the painting work done where ever required – mainly in the staircase area.	
Lights in the basement area	Aparnaji informed Meenaji that she will sponsor the lights and take a lead on getting them installed in the basement area and near the staircase.	Action Item for Ashokji to follow up with Aparna Aggarwal.

	Goal is to get the lights installed before Diwali.	
Kumbhabhishekam update	Mathiji communicated that the event went well and around 8000 dollars were raised.	
Walk Event update	Around 8000 dollars were raised through the event.	
Planning for next year's temple board	Ashokji, Sanjayji, Subhashji, Vaniji and Manasi will be leaving the board by end of 2015. Manoj Mohan, Ramesh Devaram, Rajat Shah and Devesh Poddar will be joining the board starting next year. Need one more person, preferably women to join the board. Few names were suggested. Manasi will send the information to the board about their lifetime contribution to check eligibility to serve on the board.	
Reports from Temple Database	Ashokji requested various reports from Temple Database for getting the pledge board updated by Diwali.	Manasi will work with Shiv to get the reports generated.
Follow up on Pledges	Ashokji will send the existing pledge list to Raj-ji. He will take a lead to follow up with the people on the list based on 4 years donation report.	Action Item for Raj-ji.
Update by Meenaji on temple events	Meenaji gave update on temple activities Various people approaching temple for long term rental, organizing events etc Board decided to say no to those people if they are not temple members. If the request is from a temple member then it will be discussed in the board meeting for approval/rejection.	
Diwali Planning	Diwali will be celebrated on November 10 with puja and fireworks. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Taking permission for fire works</li> <li>- Purchasing Fireworks – careful selection – not going too up in the sky, less noise etc.</li> <li>- Coordination of Firework activity</li> </ul> Cultural Program and dinner will be on 14 <sup>th</sup> . 3 time slots will be provided for fund raising during the program.	Meenaji Mathiji and Rameshji  Mathiji and Raj-ji  Subhashji, Sanjayji and Ashokji will work on effecting fundraising plan – to the point and brief.

<p>Priest Committee update</p>	<p>Meeting will be planned soon –  Topics to be discuss –  Green folder update</p> <p>Back door use</p>	<p>Mathiji will work with the priests to make a master copy  Use it mainly for loading/unloading and in case of emergency.  Request Priests to guide people for using the main entrance.</p>
<p>Security update</p>	<p>Raj-ji suggested that the security camera recording should be done on line.  Currently the recording unit is in the temple itself.</p>	<p>Raj-ji will work with Ketanji to get the setup done.</p>