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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Date: Jan 22nd, 2006

Attendees: Varinder Narang, Mohini Ahuja, Uma Ramchandra, Prem Bhardwaja, Kamal Kharbanda, Ashwani Bakshi (via phone), Ravinder Aggarwal, Vasu Atluri, Sonia Rajvanshi, Mamta Gupta, Jagdish Sharma, Surinder Sharma

Absent: Vijay Sethi, Snegdha Sharma, Punima Sharma

Others Present: Balbir Sharma, Kailash Shastri Ji

Meeting started at 2:05 pm and adjourned at 4:40 pm.

Sunday Puja Format & Timelines:

A motion was made by Vasu Atluri to have a time slot from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM on each Sunday, solely reserved for HTA Puja Committee sponsored Puja for general membership /devotees of the temple. Sunday Puja will conclude with One Pushapanjali, one Arti and one Parsadam. The motion was seconded by Prem Bhardwaja. All Board members who were present during the meeting passed the motion without any reservations. It was also decided that on each Sunday, the focus of the Puja will be on one of the three main Deities namely Venktashvara (Bala Ji), Ram Darbar, and Krishna Ji as per the HTA constitution. On the fourth Sunday and or (fifth Sunday-if it happens), the Sunday Puja will be focused on ServDevta. (All Deities presently being displayed at the Temple).

The HTA Puja Committee will make recommendations to the Board as to the format and timelines of individually sponsored Pujas and other activities at the temple.

Altar Concept and Design:

Ravi Aggarwal presented a sketch drawn by an architect firm *Pal & Associates* (Mr. SuKumar Pal). All the Board members were given a copy of the sketches and the related information regarding the design of the Altar. The Board requested some time (till Thursday i.e., January 26th) to be given to them to read and study the design to come up with their feedback and ideas/suggestions and recommendations regarding the altar. Kamal Kharbanda proposed an idea of having young children to pose as models where the deities will be situated. The Board agreed with the idea and it was decided to have this visual model display take place on this coming Sunday after the Puja.

R1 Visa for Kailash Shastri Ji:

Varinder Narang shared the information about this item with the rest of the Board as it was decided in the January 8th Board Meeting. (Please read the minutes of the meeting held on January 8th, 2006).

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December 18th, 2005 BOD Meeting Minutes approval:

Jagdish Sharma presented the minutes of the BOD meeting held on December 18th, 2005 for the Board approval. All Board members present during this meeting approved the minutes as presented.

Shivratri Puja Event:

Sonia Rajvanshi presented the proposal to have minimum amount of \$ 101 to sponsor the Shivratri Puja and \$ 21.00 for the Kalash Abishekam that will include a steel glass. All Board members present during the meeting agreed to the proposed amounts and passed the proposal. Sonia Rajvanshi also reminded the Board about the default budget for an event like this is \$ 250.00. Mamta Gupta agreed to provide compensation to the cleaning crew after the Shivratri Puja event.

Kitchen Project:

Ravi Aggarwal informed the Board that before the installer puts the cabinets in the dining area, the ceiling level needs to be raised first. He requested to change the scope of initial project to raise the ceiling level first and therefore use the already approved funding for cabinets project to the Ceiling project. All the Board members present during the meeting agreed and the motion was carried.