

# HTA BOD's Meeting Minutes held on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007 (2:25pm-5:28pm)

Not Present: Vasu Atluri, Mohini Ahuja

#### AGENDA ITEM #1: Elections for the 2008 Board

It was unanimously agreed that Asha Jain will be the Chairperson for the nomination committee and she will pick another two devotees to form her Nomination Team for the elections.

ELECTION COMMITTEE: The Board of Directors discussed the three or more potential names of the Devotees who might be interested to serve on this committee. Following names were brought to the floor and agreed upon:

Vivek Gupta, Surinder Tuli, Jatinder Kabra, Prakash Sahoo, Mina Bhagdev, Punit Sethia, and Ravi Sharma. The individuals will be contacted either by Temple Secretary, or by Varinder Narang or by the HTA President. The Board agreed unanimously to have any of the above three to form the Election Committee . It was also agreed upon to have one additional person to be on a standby situation.

#### **BALLOTT PAPERS & NOMINATIONS:**

It was unanimously agreed by the Board that after the cut off date which is Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007 of filing the nomination paper work, no candidates' names will be printed on the ballot papers. Only those candidates names will be printed who submitted their complete paperwork on or before the deadline Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007.

#### **AGENDA ITEM #2 & 3: Pandey Exports/Insurance Claims on Broken Items:**

Ravi Aggarwal will contact the vendor in India (Pandey Exports) to notify him that since the Mandaps were not made according to the original specifications as relayed to the vendor when first order was placed, Ravi will ask for replacements of the mandaps. Also

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he will file the claim with the shipping insurance company about some of the chipped mandaps. Jagdish will email the pictures of broken items to Ravi Aggarwal.

#### **AGENDA ITEM #4: HTA Assets Inventory:**

The Board discussed at length about doing a complete inventory of all the assets of the HTA that has combined value of \$100 or more. The Board unanimously picked Mr. Anil Gupta to draft a policy for all the HTA Assets tracking.

#### AGENDA ITEM # 5: Pujari Satya Narayana Panchagam Contract:

The Board discussed the draft contract as presented by the secretary and made minor modifications. The Temple Secretary will make those changes and deliver the final contract to Pujari Sataya Narayana Ji.

#### **AGENDA ITEM # 6: Puja Committee Updates:**

Uma Ramchandra updated the Board of Directors about upcoming events like Deepawali. She also discussed the issue of interior decoration and the old framed pictures of the deities brought by various devotees since the inception of the Temple. Ravi suggested that she needs to draft a plan as to how many framed pictures, she wants to put in the hallway and some other suggested locations in the property. Uma ji will draft a complete plan and submit to the Board.

#### AGENDA ITEM #7: Resolution by HTA Board regarding Thanking Volunteers:

Prem Bhardwaja talked about sending or drafting a resolution thanking all the volunteers who helped during the Pran-Pratishtha ceremonies at the Temple. The Temple Secretary reminded the entire Board that he has already expressed Thanks to not only the volunteers but also sister organizations, donors who helped in carrying out the successful Murti Sthapna ceremonies. Prem Ji will draft a resolution and send it to the Secretary for the December edition of Valley India newspaper. However, Mr. Bhardwaja sent an email to Secretary the following day expressing his agreement that there is no need to send additional resolution since the secretary has already taken care of it.

## AGENDA ITEM # 8: Yearly Puja for Devotees who donated \$1,000 or more to HTA:

Snigdha Sharma brought this issue to the light as to what is the Board's policy about offering one free puja to the life membership of HTA. After discussing this issue, it was mutually agreed by all the Board members that this issue needs to be discussed in full length in the next Board meeting.

### AGENDA ITEM # 9: Annual HTA Calendar 2008 Publication:

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Ashwani discussed this issue that we need to publish our annual calendar for the Temple. The Board suggested that since he is going to India, it might be more economical and also due to the limited time frame, it is advisable to get the calendar printed in India. The Board unanimously approved a spending budget of upto \$1,000 for HTA 2008 Calendar.

#### **AGENDA ITEM # 10: Approval of Minutes:**

Ravi presented the drafted minutes of the meetings for 9/2/2007 & 10/12/2007. The Board approved all the minutes with minor changes.