# Minutes of meeting of the BOD held on 9/25/11

The meeting of the Board of Directors of HTA (BOD HTA) was held on 9/25/11 in the Annapurna Hall at the temple.

Following were present:

Sushma Bakshi, Sumana Ghosh, Desh Ahuja, Vimal Arora, Nirmal Chibber, Madhu Aggarwal, Pramod Ghiya, Rina Narang, Isha Vashisht.

Absent: Prakash Sahoo, Anil Gupta, Vasu Atluri, Sateesh Ambadi, Rajashree Panda, Anita Ramaiah

Others present: Ravinder Aggarwal

Meeting started at 3:15 PM after quorum was achieved.

The secretary offered a short prayer at the start of the meeting. All present joined in the prayer.

Members were asked if any other agenda items needed to be added. No additional agenda items were required to be added.

## Item 0 – Approval of the agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Pramod Ghiya and was seconded by Sumana Ghosh

All O.K. Motion was carried unanimously.

Item 1—Approval of minutes of meeting held on 7/31/11
The minutes of meeting held on 7/31/11 had been sent by the secretary to all the board members for review and comments prior to this meeting. Nobody had sent any comments.

Motion to approve MOM held on 7/31/11 was made by Pramod Ghiya and was seconded by Desh Ahuja.

All O.K. Motion was carried unanimously

AI: Approved minutes to be sent by the secretary to be posted on the HTA website.

#### Item 3- Review of action items from last meeting:

Item #6 Review of HTA expenses for the first six months.

This item was discussed by Pramod Ghiya. He said that as, only 3 months are left for the year to finish, we should give Ad in both the newspapers. Sushma said that we did not make any promise with Valley India but we did promise with Asia Today. Vimal Arora said that who told Asia today. The discussion went for few minutes.

Motion: To give the Ad in Both the newspapers for this year was proposed by Desh Ahuja and was seconded by Sushma Bakshi.

All O.K. motion was approved.

Item 3: Calender 2012 budget/quantity.

The board decided 500 Calenders Budget for Calenders \$1500.00 Arti Books 500

Motion: To approve the budget for the amount of \$2000.00 was made by Rina Narang and was seconded by Pramod Ghiya.

All O.K. Motion was approved.

Swami Anantacharya ji will be in the town. He is available for one week starting from 26<sup>th</sup> oct.

Sumana said as Diwali is on 26<sup>th</sup> Oct. and there are already two puja's in the temple. The board said that if Swami ji could come on 23<sup>rd</sup> of oct.

AI: Pramod Ghiya to contact Swami ji and ask if swami ji is available for Friday (21<sup>st</sup> Oct.), Saturday (22<sup>nd</sup> Oct.), Sunday (23<sup>rd</sup> Oct.)

Pramod informed that there is going to be a Diwali Mela in Kiwani's Park on 8<sup>th</sup> Oct. and HTA will have their booth also and it will cost HTA \$450.00 Pramod said that if there is profit in HTA booth the profit goes to the temple, but if there is a loss, Pramod will bear the loss.

Motion: For HTA to have a booth in the Mela for \$450.00 was proposed by Pramod and was seconded by Rina.

All voted yes and Motion was approved.

Item 4: Formation of Nomination committee- 2012 elections
Rina said that instead of having the same people every year we should
have new people. Majority of people in the board agreed.
Nirmal Chibber suggested two names –Vimal Arora, Anita Ramaiah
Sushma suggested one name- Isha Vashisht
Rina suggested a name outside board- Ravinder Aggarwal
It was decided Anita Ramaiah to be the nomination committee chair
and Vimal Arora to be the back up.

Item 5: Formation of election committee -2012 elections.

AI: Desh Ahuja to form an election committee and inform the board.

#### Item 6: Treasurer's Report:

Here is the Treasurer's report for the August 2011.

Total Collections: \$ 14,286.00 Total Expenses: \$ 12,130.00 Positive Balance \$ 2,156.00

Major Festival Collection: Janamashtami: \$4,160.00

Major Additioonal Expenses: Cooking Range Installation: \$1,340.00

Additional Principal amount Paid to Bank for Mortgage: \$ 700.00

Bank Balance as of 08/31/2011 \$ 76,156.88.

## Item 7: Responsibilities of temporary priest.

Sushma asked that if we have signed a contract with the temporary Priest. Nirmal Chibber said as it was an emergency we don't have a written contract with Pandit Arun Kumar ji.

#### Item 8: Puja Committee update

#### October: ---

- 1. Durga Ashtami (Tues, Oct 4, 7 to 9 PM) with regular Hanuman Puja
- 2. Navami ( wed, Oct 5,7 to 9 PM)
- 3. Vijay Dashmi (Thurs, Oct 6) --- Celebration
- 4. Satyanarayan Puja (Tues, Oct 11, 7 to 9 PM)
- 5. Mata Jagran (Friday, Oct 14, 7 to 9 PM)
- 6. Karva Chauth (Sat Oct, 15, 4 PM to moon rise)
- 7. Murti Sthapana Anniversary 23<sup>th</sup> Oct (4<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, 5-7 PM)
- 8. Dhan Teres ( Mon, Oct 24 )----- for information
- 9. Kali Choudas ( Tues, Oct 25 ) ----- for information
- 10. Diwali ( Wed, Oct 26, 6-8 PM )

## **Item 9: Mata Puja Discussion**

The board decided to have Laxmi Mata Puja and Kali MataPuja on 26thOct. On Diwali. Sumana Ghosh will be the Co-ordinator. For Kali Mata Puja Sumana will bring Priest Amitabh Bhattacharya. Sumana said that she will give Dakshina to Pandit ji and it will be no cost to the temple.

Motion: To have Laxmi Mata Puja and Kali Mata Puja on Deepawali 26<sup>th</sup> Oct. Proposed by Sumana and was seconded by Madhu Aggarwal.

All voted yes.

10. The meeting was closed at 5.30P.M.