

Hindu Temple of Arizona

February 7, 2009

Attending Members: Asha Jain, Kamal Kharbanda, Subhash Arora, Ashok Verma, Dilip Parekh, Uma Ramachandran, Desh Ahuja, Anil Gupta (via phone), Bibhuti Panda (via phone)

Absent: Kuldip Verma, Jitendra Kabra, Prakash Sahoo, Mina Bhagdev and Ravi Sharma, Ravi Aggarwal

The agenda for the meeting was the following:

1.) Call to order: Meeting was called to order by the President at 12:23 PM

2.) Goal Setting for 2009:

- a.) Increase devotee participation
- b.) Enroll new members
- c.) Increase participation of board members
- d.) Increase visibility of board members
- e.) Quarterly newsletter
- f.) Calendar event list
- g.) Tabulation of members and person in charge of tabulation
- h.) Set up gmail accounts (ask Jagdish Sharma for help)
- i.) Discussion about bulk mail and talk to AZ-India representative
- j.) Set up fundraising goal of \$250,000
- k.) Repayment of 10% of outstanding loan amount
- l.) Increase number of activities at the temple
- m.) Set up the temple office

3.) Deciding Temple Committees:

- a.) Pooja Committee chairperson: Subhash Arora proposed Uma Ramchandra, seconded by Dilip Parikh, and approved by the board.
- b.) Prashad Committee chairperson: Asha Jain proposed Kamal Kharbandha, seconded by Ashok Verma, and approved by the board. Mohini Ahuja is the co-chair.
- c.) Fundraising Committee chairperson: Ashok Verma proposed Desh Ahuja and Asha Jain, seconded by Dilip Parekh, and approved by the board.
- d.) Maintenance Committee chairperson: Virendar Narang
- e.) Priest Committee chairperson: Asha Jain and Ravi Aggarwal
- f.) Communication Committee chairperson: Jit Kabra, assisted by Jagdish Sharma and Ashok Seth.
- g.) Cleaning Committee chairperson: Dilip Parekh
- h.) Constitution Committee chairperson: Ashok Verma

NOTE: Priest committee and prashad committee are a subset of the pooja committee

4.) Planning for Upcoming Functions:

- a.) India Mela (expense is \$1000; proposed by Subhash Arora, seconded by Dilip Parikh, and approved by the board.
- b.) Maha Shivratri (allotment of \$250 for function)

NOTE: Kamal Ji, Asha Ji, Uma Ji, and Subash Ji are the main people in charge for the functions. Other board members will also help.

Rina Narang and Subhash Arora are the coordinators. Kamal Kharbanda, Uma Ramachandra and Asha Jain to support.

c.) Balaji pooja chaired by Desh Ji and Ravi Sharma, proposed by Asha Ji, seconded by Kamal Kharbanda, and approved by the board.

5.) Resignation of Ravi Sharma from BOD

Asha Jain proposed to accept the resignation. It was seconded by Kamal Kharbanda. It was carried unanimously. Board members were asked for suggestions to find a suitable member to fill the resulting vacancy on the board.

6.) Second Pundit for Temple

a.) Still looking for second pundit. Setting aside \$400 for air ticket to invite pundit to HTA

7.) Other Items

a.) Putting HTA in Asia Today and other magazines

8.) Adjournment. Motion was made by S. Arora to adjourn the meeting, seconded by A. Verma.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 PM.