

**Minutes for Meeting of the HTA Board of Directors**  
**Date: Sunday August 9th 2009**

Present: Subhash Arora, Bibhuti Panda, Desh Ahuja, Anil Gupta, Kamal Kharbanda, Asha Jain, Dilip Parekh, Prakash Sahoo, Uma Ramchandra, Raxha Bhagdev, Jitendra Kabra, Ravi Aggarwal

Absent: Kuldip Verma, Ashok Verma, Srinivas Dasri

Others: Ashwini Bakshi, Varinder Narang,

Meeting was called to order by the HTA secretary at 1:55 PM

1. Agenda was read out by the secretary  
Ravi Agarwal asked to add the item of 'letter of sponsorship' for Pt. Jai Gopal to the agenda.  
Approval of the amended agenda  
SA: Motion to approve agenda  
DP: Seconded  
Carried Unanimous
2. Approval of minutes from previous meetings  
Minutes of the meetings held in June and July were not available for review. These will be sent before the next meeting, please read in advance of meeting so that they can be approved during September meeting
3. Treasurers Report:  
Current balance: \$39,300  
Outstanding Check: \$720 for cleaning bill  
Expenses for July are approximately \$15,000, which included a \$4023 for insurance and \$1,550 for pundits visa application  
Income for July: \$9400
4. Puja Committee Report  
Janmastmi – Program starts 6:30pm on Friday August 14, 2009. Subhash Arora is the event coordinator.  
6:30-7:30: Puja  
7:30-8:15: Cultural Activities  
8:30-9:00: Abhishek  
9:00-9:30: Aarti  
9:30-10:00: Prasad  
10:00-11:00: Bhajan  
11:00-12:00: Vishnu Shashtranam, Archana & Aarti  
  
Sponsorship: \$101 (special Thali), \$51 and Archana \$11

Sushma, Reena, Vimal and Chanchal are responsible for Prasad. Chandanben is bringing 200 pooris

Audio/Video: Subhash will ask Jadish Sharma if he will take video & Pictures

Outside set-up on Tuesday & Thursday evening: Subhash, Dilip, Desh, Ashwini, Uma. Lights to be done by Varinder

Parking: Anil and Prakash. Ashwini will also help with outside chores, including final clean-up

Table set up and serving to be done on the night.

Inside Hall: Uma & Asha to take responsibility

Ganesh Chaturti

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August. Prakash Sahoo and Jit Kabra are the event coordinator  
9:00-10:00am: Small havan inside hall to be conducted by pandit only.  
10:00-12:00pm: Abhishek, special puja, archana & childrens blessing.  
\$21.00 for special Puja.

September event: Bala ji Kalyan Utsov

Pran Pratishtha:

A 4 day event over two weekends involving 4 pujas. Suggested donation to be a Chief Yajman to be \$1100.

A hawan is to held for the event but under a roof. Oriya community has a canopy which they can provide. Bibhuti Panda to arrange for the canopy.

Umaji relayed her discussion with the temple priest about the need of carrying out Balaji pariwar Pran Pratishtha to conduct the kalyan utsove in addition to what had been done previously at the time of Pran Pratishta of all deities.

There was an extended discussion about the need for additional Pran Pratishta event as some members felt that previous Pran Pratishta was completed with due consultation and this additional ceremony many not be required. It was then agreed to set up a sub-committee to look into the issue

A task force will meet and come to board in two weeks to give feedback. Task force members: Deshji, Raviji, Ashaji, Varinderji, Ashwiniji & 2 outside priests.

Motion: by Umaji: Donors above \$21,000 will be invited by HTA to become pramukh yajma for pran pratishtha event

Seconded: Jitendra

Carried Unanimously

Invitation cards: Varinderji to get a quote from a supplier in India. Raviji maintains responsibility. Cards to be ready by August 24<sup>th</sup>.

Board approved the purchase of a printer (approx \$250) to be used to print invitation cards that can be distributed on Janmahstmi.

The item for sponsorship of Panditji Jai Gopalji was moved up. Raviji proposed that we send a sponsorship letter to Pandit Jai Gopal as this application for the North Indian priest post had been in the works for quite some time. The meeting was dissolved due to high emotions making it impossible to discuss the matter.

5. Meeting dissolved 3:45pm