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Meeting Minutes

A meeting of HSCF GC was held on Aug 20th, 2023, in the HSCF boardroom. It began at 10:00 AM and was chaired by Dr. Sampathkumar Shanmugam.

Attendees included:

Dr. Sampathkumar Shanmugam
Mr. T. Madanagopal
Mr. Kishore Nagamandla
Mr. Pradeep Vedi
Mr. Prashanth Saoji
Mr. Babuji Ambikapathy
Mr. Ketan Patel
Mr. Deepak Aggarwal
Dr. Sambasiva Mangalampalli
Mr. Mahesh Kapadia
Mr. Viren Chouhan
Mr. Sanjay Pathange
Mrs. Rajarajeshwari Venkataraman
Mr. Karthikeya Balasubramanian

Members not in attendance included:



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Agenda:

- Prayer
- Call to Order
- Approval of Agenda
- President's Report
- Vice President's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Secretary's Report
- Religious Committee's Report
- Programs Committee's Report
- Communications Committee's Report
- Fixed Assets Committee's Report
- Maintenance Committee's Report
- Education Committee's Report
- Canteen Committee's Report
- Social Service Committee's Report
- Past President's Report
- Patron Member's Report
- Any Other Business
- Adjournment

Discussions

- Dr. Sampath greeted everyone and started discussing the previous month's meeting minutes. Babuji garu suggested including the names of members who voted and abstained for motions that were approved or not approved. Madanji made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as amended. The motion was approved unanimously.
- Prabhavali samarpana is on Aug 27th. Everyone, please join.
- September is busy with a lot of religious activities. Brahmotsavam is scheduled for next month, and the Ratham is also fixed and ready.



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- We will be celebrating Sri Krishna Janmashtami with the Gujarati Samaj this time, and they will be organizing a rope-pulling event for Janmashtami.
- Ganesh Chaturthi is coming, and Prashanthi ji always does a great job coordinating the event.
- BAPS mentioned that there is a big program happening in New Jersey. If anyone wants to go, please do, as they will be offering personal tours.
- Sampathji sent an email regarding the senior housing update, The project is in the last round of comments for the PSP and Final Development plan.
- Security cameras will be installed next week.
- QuickBooks has been migrated from the desktop version to the cloud version. Thanks to Pradeepji for the effort.
- Priests Shuklaji and Bhagvatji joined the GC meeting to share their concerns about the 25% increase in puja rates in the previous month. The priests mentioned that a 10% increase would be reasonable, but a 25% increase is too much for devotees.
- The GC members brainstormed and everyone provided their input on what percentage would be feasible.
- Babuji made a motion to limit the puja rates to 10% and reverse the previous motion to rate increase to 25%. Deepakji seconded. Madanji, Babuji, Samba garu, Raji garu, Virenji, Karthikji are in favor of the motion. The motion failed.
- Virenji made a motion to limit the puja rates to 15% and reverse the previous motion to rate increase to 25%. The motion failed.
- Prashanthji made a motion to reverse the previous puja rate increase of 25% and instead increase the rate to 20%. Sanjayji seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

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- Babuji Garu provided Sanctum updates. In the Ayyapa sanctum, the idols have been placed on the sides of the wall. In the Lord Murugan sanctum, we are waiting for the inspection to be completed before pouring the concrete.
- Karthikji provided the Canteen expansion plan. He is working with an architect to draw up plans. Since all the grocery prices have increased, Karthikji wants to raise the rates and send it for GC review.
- Sampathji mentioned the Election committee, with Anand Velayuthamji as the Election chair, and Satish Mahajanji and Suresh Cheriviralaji as committee members for the upcoming elections. Madanji made a motion to approve the EC committee, and the motion was approved unanimously.
- Sampathji continued with the External Audit for the Year 2022 Temple Financials and contacted the Davis group to conduct the audit. He also mentioned that the Davis group will work with us to address any issues as part of the audit. Kishoreji replied that it would be beneficial for our temple, as it would enhance our eligibility for grants and uphold quality standards. Kishoreji made a motion to proceed with the external audit for the temple. Deepakji amended the motion to include audits for the last 3 years. Babuji seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.
- Ketanji will work on getting the quotes for Ratham shade and activity rooms.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM by Dr. Sampathkumar Shanmugam

Kishore Nagamandla

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Secretary GC, HSCF

08/20/2023

Date of approval