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Meeting Minutes

A meeting of HSCF GC was held on Dec 17th, 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
Mrs. Rajarajeshwari Venkataraman
Mr. Ketan Patel
Mr. Babuji Ambikapathy
Mr. Prashanth Saoji
Mr. Deepak Aggarwal
Mr. Karthikeya Balasubramanian
Mr. Sanjay Pathange

Members not in attendance included:

Mr. Pradeep Vedi
Mr. Viren Chouhan
Mr. Mahesh Kapadia
Dr. Sambasiva Mangalampalli



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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 presented his report and began by discussing that some of our GC members were sick, and thankfully, everybody is now doing well. He expressed gratitude, thanking the Lord for the good health of all members. Dr. Sampath extended his thanks to all GC members for their kindness, support, and assistance in carrying out his duties over the past four years. Despite differences in opinions, he emphasized that the committee came together to fulfill its duty for the temple.
- Sampathji conveyed his best wishes for success to the new president and the new GC chairs on board. Sampathji then proceeded to discuss the minutes from the previous month's meeting. Madanji made a motion



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to approve the minutes, and Babuji garu seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

- Sampathji continued discussing civility in GC protocols: In any GC meeting, anybody has the right to ask questions about the operation of any department. All GC chairs are accountable, and are obligated to answer the questions without bringing out other issues. He requested to maintain the same approach in email exchanges as well.
- Donor appreciation day went well, and Raji garu organized excellent programs. It had one of the highest numbers of attendees in the last four years.
- Senior housing is in the final staging, and Sureshji mentioned that meeting with potential buyers is not yet scheduled. Sureshji confirmed that there will be 38 houses.
- Sanctum Update: Lord Ayyappa Sanctum Consecration ceremony on January 12th, 13th, and 14th. Lord Murugan Sanctum Consecration ceremony on January 26th, 27th, and 28th. Babuji garu confirmed that the Om Muruga group has raised \$126k so far, and fundraising is still in progress. \$15k will go towards the Ratham. The Ayyappa group is planning to raise another \$100k.
- Canteen Update: Karthikji provided an update on the Canteen expansion project. The county is currently reviewing the plans and has requested a survey. Prasad Chittaluru garu confirmed that he will take care of any revisions to the plans without incurring any expenses.
- Election Commission certified all the unopposed candidates for GC.
- The Book Keeper is finally in operation and will work 5 hours per week at \$25 per hour.
- Audit: The audit company is still reviewing the information provided by Pardeepji. We will receive the final review by next week.
- Quickbooks access: Kishoreji confirmed that he will work on getting read-only access to the GC group email.



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- Security Grant: Sampathji forwarded the security grant email to GC members, and CHTNA membership renewal is due. GC approved signing a contract with Simronjeet to apply for the security grant.
- Housekeeping Items: Provided updates on flooring, fence, and sprinklers. He informed that the spinkler pipes under the container is broken and leaking.ntainer.
- GC members discussed that Priest Narayan Bhattar garu did not perform Archana for a couple who came with a newborn baby for the first time. Narayanji didn't do the archana because he had to perform Sri Venkateswara Kalyanam at 4 PM. Deepakji and Karthikji requested Priest Narayanji to perform archana, explaining that the couple came for the first time with their newborn baby. However, the priest replied that he was busy. Subsequently, Karthikji called Sampathji, who then contacted the priest. After the conversation with Sampathji, the priest agreed to perform the Archana. The devotees mentioned that they would come some other day to perform the Archana.
- Deepakji made a motion for Maheshji to issue a warning letter to Priest Narayan Bhattar for refusing to provide service (Archana for a couple with a newborn baby) and insubordination. Maheshji will provide an update at the next GC meeting regarding the proceeding and response from the Priest. Karthikji seconded the motion, The motion was approved unanimously.
- Kishoreji has submitted his report, highlighting his ongoing efforts towards facilitating a seamless transition for new members.
- Deepakji raised a concern about an email he sent to Maheshji, that we can order \$2k worth of food, but we cannot allocate the same amount for the canteen expansion plan. GC members discussed this issue, during which Karthikji mentioned that Deepakji questioned Maheshji about why he ordered food from outside. Maheshji needs to address this question, instead he replied, 'Your donation can't buy GC and all.' This was considered a low point, involving personal attacks. As a result, Maheshji needs to apologize to Deepakji for the personal attack.

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- Karthikji made a motion that what Maheshji wrote in the email is not right and should not involve personal attacks. Babuji seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 PM by Dr. Sampathkumar Shanmugam



Kishore Nagamandla
Secretary GC, HSCF

12/17/2023

Date of approval