Hindu Society of Central Florida

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting — Public

Meeting Details

Date & Time	**August 23, 2026 10:10 AM**
Location	Board Room, Hindu Temple Hall, Casselberry, FL and ZOOM Virtual session
Directors Present	Shri Deepak Aggarwal Shri Babuji Ambikapathy – Joined via ZOOM Shri Madhu Cherukuri Shri Promod Dubey – Joined via ZOOM Shri Mahendra Kapadia Shri Satish Mahajan Shri Ramprasad Nitta Shri Jogi Pattisapu Shri Muthuswami Swamy (President, EC)
Directors Absent	None
Additional Attendees	Shri Eshwar (Vice President, Executive Committee) – Joined in person Shri Sri Rao, Project Engineer and Architect – presented on the Yagashala project

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 10:10 AM with an invocation. A quorum was confirmed by the Secretary.

2. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

The Board reviewed and approved the minutes of the July 26 Board Meeting, which had been circulated in advance.

3. Yagashala Project — Reinitiation and Planning

The Board discussed renewing plans for the long-anticipated Yagashala (sacred fire-ceremony hall) project, including an updated design concept presented by project engineer Sri Rao, building on design work done in past years.

Motion: *The Board raised and passed a motion to move forward with updated planning and fundraising for the Yagashala project.*

4. Newsletter and Member Financial Communications

The Board discussed publishing the upcoming HSCF newsletter along with a summary of second-quarter financial information for members.

5. Priest Quarters — Roof Replacement and Interior Repairs

The Board reviewed reports of roof leaks and related water damage at the priest residence.

Motion: *The Board raised and passed a motion to replace the roof and complete related interior repairs at the priest residence.*

6. Gopuram Waterproofing and Leak Repair

The Board reviewed proposals to address ongoing leaks at the temple gopurams (towers), including crack repair and waterproofing.

Motion: *The Board raised and unanimously passed a motion to proceed with gopuram waterproofing and repair work.*

7. Accounting Systems and Financial Process Improvement

The Board discussed opportunities to strengthen HSCF's financial recordkeeping and accounting systems, drawing on lessons from a peer temple's practices.

8. Classroom and Facility Use Policy

The Board discussed developing clearer guidelines for scheduling and use of classrooms and other shared community spaces.

9. Future Classroom and Activity Space (Patashala)

The Board discussed the need for additional classroom space to support the growing Patashala program and reviewed possible near-term options.

10. Maintenance and Preventive Maintenance

The Board discussed moving toward a more proactive, preventive approach to facility maintenance, including regular property inspections.

11. Community Hall Repairs Following Vehicle Accident

The Board discussed repairs needed to the community hall following recent vehicle-accident damage.

Motion: *The Board raised and passed a motion to proceed with community hall repairs.*

12. Landscaping and Property Beautification

The Chairman updated the Board on ongoing landscaping and beautification efforts, which continue as a multi-year, donation-supported effort.

13. PA / Sound System for Upcoming Event

The Board discussed sound-system needs for an upcoming temple event and agreed to arrange the additional equipment required.

14. Temple Dress Code Guidelines

The Board reviewed the previously circulated temple dress-code guidelines.

Motion: *The Board raised and passed a motion to approve the dress-code guidelines for implementation, targeted for October 9, 2026 (ahead of Diwali).*

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned after a concluding prayer.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED

#	Agenda Item	Motion	Result
1	**Yagashala Project — Reinitiation and Planning**	Move forward with updated planning and fundraising for the Yagashala project.	**Passed**
2	**Priest Quarters — Roof Replacement and Interior Repairs**	Replace the roof and complete related interior repairs at the priest residence.	**Passed**
3	**Gopuram Waterproofing and Leak Repair**	Proceed with gopuram waterproofing and repair work.	**Passed unanimously**
4	**Community Hall Repairs Following Vehicle Accident**	Proceed with community hall repairs following the recent accident.	**Passed**
5	**Temple Dress Code Guidelines**	Approve the dress-code guidelines, with implementation targeted for October 9, 2026.	**Passed**