



Shree Pashupatinath Foundation, USA

MEETING OF THE MANAGING BOARD OF
DIRECTORS 10843 KENNEY STREET,
NORWALK, CALIFORNIA 90650, 8 PM PST.

Minute

The 10th meeting of the Managing Board of Directors of Shree Pashupatinath Foundation, USA was held on Wednesday, August 09, 2023, at 8:PM PST at the office of the Foundation in 10843 Kenney Street, Norwalk, California 90650.

1. Attendance:

<u>S. N</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Roll Call (Note)</u>
1	Rameshor Bhandari	President	Present
2	Bimal Shrestha	President-Elect	Present
3	Mukunda Dhungana	Immediate past President	Absent (I)
4	Ram Babu Pandey	Senior Vice president	Present
5	Chiranjibi Gautam	Vice President	Absent (I)
6	Dilli (Siddhartha) Silwal	Secretary	Present
7	Subin Bhattarai	Joint-Secretary	Present
8	Chakra Pani Mishra	Treasurer	Absent (I)
9	Lalmati (Sona) Basnet	Joint Treasurer	Present
10	Arjun Paudel	director	Present
11	Don B. Karki Chhetri	Director	Present
12	Eak Prasad Pandey	Director	Present
13	Hem B Thakulla	Director	Present
14	Hem Raj Rai	Director	Absent
15	Indra Raj Pandey	Director	Present
16	Kedar Poudel	Director	Present
17	Laxman Ghimire	Director	Present
18	Ram Raja Pandey	Director	Present
19	Shamsher B Bhandari (Subash)	Director	Present
20	Tulasi Gyawali	Director	Present
21	Upendra Sapkota	Director	Present



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Also present if any:

Trustee Sushila Pandey was also present at the meeting.

2. Roll Call:

President Bhandari called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM PST. Following a call of the roll; it was noted that a quorum was present. He started the formal proceedings.

3. Approval of the previous minutes:

No Meeting Minutes of the previous meetings were presented.

4. Adoption of the Agenda:

The Managing Board of Directors present at the meeting unanimously approved the agenda items previously sent to them via email and added some agenda. The following agenda items were tabled.

Agenda:

1. Review of “Los Angeles Spiritual Festival and Shiva Mahapuram 2023”
2. Additional Agendas if any.

5. Welcome and Update:

President Bhandari welcomed the Board and presented the agenda items.

6. Discussion/Decision(s):

- a. President Bhandari presented summarized financials of the “Los Angeles Spiritual Festival and Shiva Mahapuram 2023” prepared by BOD Laxman Ghimire. Total donations raised are \$2,100,038.95. The paid donations are \$316,838.63. The total expenditure is \$46375.55.

President Bhandari thanks entire MBD for excellent teamwork and recognized the Prasad Team members including Upendra Sapkota and Eak Prasad Pandey for their outstanding management. Likewise, he thanked the Finance Team including Chakrapani Mishra, Ram Babu



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Pandey, Laxman Ghimire, Arjun Paudel, Tulasi Gyawali, Agni Chaulagain and Sanjip Thapa.

Thereafter, present members started floor discussions.

- b. BOD Indraraj Pandey said he ran as candidate for Board Member NRNNCC election and promoted each campaign he participated in about the event. He admired the teamwork we had during the event, which is exemplary.
- c. BOD Upendra Sapkota said the Registration Management and Parking coordination could have been improved.
- d. BOD Kedar Paudel thanked the Prasad Team, and everyone involved for their selfless service.
- e. BOD Ram Raja Pandey as a team member of the Purchasing Committee did the job to his best capabilities.
- f. BOD Shamsher (Subash) Bhandari thanked President Bhandari for his leadership and appreciated the Prasad team and other teams for their excellent participation. As a lead of the Parking and Security Team, he tried his best to manage an excessive number of cars even though team members did not coordinate well.
- g. BOD Laxman Ghimire informed that there were a lot of self-motivated donors. There was the possibility of doing better to reach everyone and appreciate them.
- h. BOD Don Karki congratulated all involved for the achievement of the community.
- i. BOD Tulasi Gyawali explained about the nature of the donors and informed that there were few complaints of donors for not being properly appreciated.
- j. BOD Eak Prasad Pandey insisted that this review meeting should have planned earlier to send positive message to volunteers, donors and everyone who participated and recognize them appropriately. He also insisted that the Board and the Organizing Committees should have recognized properly for their donation and participation during the



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Mahapuran.

- k. BOD Hem Bahadur Thakulla congratulated the team for their teamwork and regretted that he could not physically participate due to personal health issues. Even though he was very watchful of the event and shared and promoted the event in every way possible.
- l. Joint Secretary Subin Bhattarai explained that donation management could have been better. He also advised the Board to tackle reimbursement of expenses made by team members in a timely manner.
- m. BOD Arjun Poudel congratulated the President and the team for the leadership and success. Even though there was massive participation, there was not any major parking and security issue. He appreciated the patience of the neighbors of Kenny Street and surrounding area. He emphasized that “Unity” is the key for building Nepali Community center in near future and need to establish committee to follow up and raise the pledged amount.
- n. Joint Treasurer Lal Mati (Sona) Basnet said that she missed the event due to family engagement and congratulated the entire team members for their dedication.
- o. Trustee Sushila Pandey said that she is happy to participate in such a grand lifetime event and appreciated the teamwork.
- p. Senior Vice President Ram Babu Pandey said that we could have done better to appreciate donors.
- q. President- elect Bimal Shrestha congratulated the team for having overall a highly successful program as anticipated. Even though, he said there was more possibility to cooperate with devotees with proper planning and management following strict program schedule, rules, and regulation. He insisted that we must stick to an appropriate appreciation rule for all devotees, donors, and volunteers. He added that since we have a robbery a few days after the event, we need to be watchful and secure our premises.
- r. Secretary Silwal evaluated the performances of all the committees formed to run smooth operation of the event. Except for a few glitches, most Committees performed well. He appreciated the outstanding service of



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The Prasad Preparation committee, Purchasing Committee and Finance Committee.

s. After hearing reviews of all present board members, President Bhandari welcomed all the feedback received and express his sincere heartfelt thanks to each and everyone involved. He informed that there was a complaint from a neighbor that some attendees parked the car in their driveway inappropriately and emphasized that we need to be watchful in our future events. He further added that we had short evaluation meetings every day during the event after the conclusion of that day, which helped a lot to improvise the weaknesses for the following day. He again thanked everyone asked to suggest the name of the volunteers to appreciate.

t. The meeting decided to conduct volunteer appreciation program on Sunday August 13th, 2023, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the temple, and decided to form a Volunteer Mobilization & Appreciation Committee below:

1. Bimal Shrestha
2. Upendra Sapkota
3. Ram Babu Pandey
4. Eak Prasad Pandey
5. Dilli (Siddhartha) Silwal
6. Bibek Shrestha
7. Arjun Poudel

7. Adjourn:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 PM PST.

Sign and submitted by:

Dilli (Siddhartha) Silwal
Secretary