

Shree Pashupatinath Foundation, USA

MEETING OF THE MANAGING BOARD OF DIRECTORS, 10843 KENNEY STREET, NORWALK, CA 90650 ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2024, 08:30 PM PST

Minutes

The 24th meeting of the Managing Board of Directors of Shree Pashupatinath Foundation, USA was held on Thursday, September 19, 2024, at 8:30 PM virtually via zoom.

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1. Attendance:

<u>S. N</u>	<u>Name</u>	Position	Roll Call (Note)
1	Rameshor Bhandari	President	Present
2	Bimal Shrestha	President-Elect	Present
3	Mukunda Dhungana	Immediate past	Absent
		President	
4	Ram Babu Pandey	Senior Vice president	Present
5	Chiranjibi Gautam	Vice President	Present
6	Dilli (Siddhartha) Silwal	Secretary	Present
7	Subin Bhattarai	Joint-Secretary	Absent
8	Laxman Ghimire	Treasurer	Present
9	Lalmati (Sona) Basnet	Joint Treasurer	Present
10	Arjun Paudel	director	Absent
11	Don B. Karki Chhetri	Director	Present
S12	Eak Prasad Pandey	Director	Absent
13	Hem B Thakulla	Director	Present
14	Hem Raj Rai	Director	Absent
15	Indra Raj Pandey	Director	Present
16	Kedar Poudel	Director	Present
17	Chakra Pani Mishra	Director	Absent
18	Ram Raja Pandey	Director	Present
19	Shamsher B Bhandari	Director	Present
	(Subash)		
20	Tulasi Gyawali	Director	Present
21	Upendra Sapkota	Director	Present

Also present if any:

None.

2. Roll Call:

President Bhandari called the meeting to order at 08:45 PM PST. Following the roll call, it was noted that a quorum was present. He started the formal proceedings.

3. Approval of the previous minutes

Minutes of the 23rd Meeting were emailed to the Board.

Adoption of the Agenda:

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

Agenda:

- 1. Update on the financial report and approval of 23rd meeting minutes
- 2. Planning for upcoming Festivals/special events specially Dashain and Tihar
- 3. Updates on collecting the pledged amount during Shiv Mahapuran and Buying property for NCC
- 4. Additional Agendas if any

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4. Welcome and Update:

President Bhandari opened the meeting by welcoming the Board and all attendees. He formally informed the meeting about the completion of the hiring of office assistant Mr. Sanjaya Paudel. He also updated about the security light pole near the entrance gate on which Foundation has received attention from the city of Norwalk per complained by the neighbor to the city. Mr. Bhandari also informed the meeting about the renewal of certificate of deposit of \$ 986000 with Bank of America. Mr. Bhandari also updated about the booth Foundation is having at Artesia Street Fair on October 05, 2024.

5. Discussion/Decision(s):

- a. Treasurer Ghimire presented the financials to the meeting. He updated that total funds collected for the month of August were \$ 57308 which included \$ 27,518 NCC pledges. Total expenses included were \$ 12628. Total available bank deposits as of August 31, 2024, are \$ 1012651. Mr. Ghimire informed us that he is preparing to submit the application to the State of California to upgrade the safety and security equipment and system of Shree Pashupatinath and Buddha Mandir.
- b. The meeting unanimously approved the meeting minutes of 23rd meeting emailed to the board previously.
- c. The meeting discussed all the necessary preparation needed for the celebration of Dashain Festival and Nepali Pathshala Talent Show. BOD Upendra Sapkota will buy approximately 25 lbs. barley for Jamara. Mr. Sapkota also will look after the arrangement of prasad for the entire Dashain in help of other members. President-Elect Bimal Shrestha will arrange all necessary trays, shelving unit and cover, will be bought in advance. Secretary Silwal will do all publications, flyers etc. The meeting suggested creating a Jamara reservation form to better serve the community members. Treasurer Ghimire will create a form as soon as possible. President Bhandari would arrange Karta for Durga Puja for 9 days of Dashain. Vice President Chiranjibi Gautam would arrange Bhajans in the evening coordinating with temple priest.



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- d. President Bhandari requested that entire board must be active to have successful Dashain and Tihar.
- e. Treasurer Ghimire will lead to raise donations for prasad for Dashain.
- f. The meeting agreed to promote Nepali Pathshala Talent Show and make it Grand.
- g. President Bhandari informed the board that NCC property search committee is actively looking the land for future NCC. He emphasizes raising the pledged amount as soon as possible. He advised that we must have a broader action plan published to move forward on the project.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 09:58 PM PST.

Sign and submitted by:

Dilli (Siddhartha) Silwal

Secretary