



Shree Pashupatinath Foundation, USA

MEETING OF THE MANAGING BOARD OF DIRECTORS
NORWALK, CALIFORNIA
10:00 A.M. PST

Minutes

The second meeting of the Managing Board of Directors of Shree Pashupatinath Foundation, USA was held on Sunday, April 18, 2021, at 10:00 AM PST at the office of the foundation in Norwalk, California.

1. Attendance

S. N	Name	Position	Roll Call
1	Mukunda Dhungana	President	Present
2	Bimal Shrestha	First Vice President	Present
3	Neera Aryal Pnadey	Second Vice President	Present
4	Dilli Thapa	Third Vice President	Present
5	Netra Mainaly	Fourth Vice President	Present
6	Rajesh Pandey	Fifth Vice President	Present
7	Rameshor Bhandari	Secretary	Present
8	Eka Dev Sharma	Joint Secretary	Absent (informed)
9	Bhim P Dhakal	Treasurer	Present
10	Kosh Raj Thapaliya	Joint Treasurer	Present
11	Chandra Siwakoti	Director	Present
12	Keshar Bhandari	Director	Present
13	Lalmati (Sona) Basnet	Director	Present
14	Nabin K Pokharel	Director	Absent (didn't inform)
15	Ram Babu Pandey	Director	Absent (informed)
16	Sushil Chaugai	Director	Absent (informed)
17	Dilli (Siddhartha) Silwal	Director	Present
18	Vacant	Youth Member	
19	Vacant	Youth Member	
20	Vacant	Youth Member	
21	Vacant	Youth Member	



Also present, if any

None

2. Roll Call

Rameshor called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. PST. Following a call of the roll, it was noted that a quorum was present. He requested President Dhungana to chair the meeting and start formal proceedings.

3. Approval of the previous minutes

The meeting approved minutes of the first meeting of the Managing Board of Directors of Shree Pashupatinath Foundation, USA held on March 21, 2021.

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 with approval. The following agenda items were tabled.

- (1) Approval of minutes from March 21, 2021 meeting
- (2) Update on financial situation
- (3) Ram Nawami celebrations and upcoming temple events
- (4) Opening temple for private events, including Bratabandha and weddings
- (5) Consular Camp on June 4 and 5, 2021
- (6) Additional agenda, if any

5. Welcome and Update

Treasurer Bhim Dhakal presented financial summary. Out of 72 regular donors (dollar-a-day program), payment of only 52 donors has been received as of April 18. President Mukunda Dhungana said we need to enroll more in the regular donation program after the Covid-19 pandemic. Rameshor said it is better to email financial summary ahead of the meeting. Rameshor said all Trustees and Life Members should pay at least five or ten dollars every month so that they will remain active in temple affairs; this effort should be initiated soon.

6. Decisions

1. The meeting approved the minutes of the first meeting held on March 21, 2021.



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2. The meeting unanimously decided to organize Ram Nawami Puja on Wednesday, April 21, 2021, in the morning and evening. A public event will be held in the evening, but the temple will remain open throughout the day. Director Lalmati (Sona) Basnet announced to sponsor *prasad* (food) for the event.
3. The meeting decided to hire a part-time office assistant. The opening notice will be published on the temple's Facebook page. Secretary Bhandari will publish the notice.
4. President Dhungana proposed that biggest donor and SPFU Patron Veda Bhakta Joshi be presented Citizen's Honor at an event to be attended by Nepal's Ambassador to the United States, Dr. Yubaraj Khatiwada, sometime in June. The Embassy will confirm the schedule of the Ambassador's visit in the coming weeks.
5. As more and more people from the Nepali American community are getting vaccinated day by day, it is time to revise restrictions on private events at the temple. The meeting unanimously decided to allow gatherings of up to 50 people for private religious and cultural events, such as *Upanayan* or *Bratabandha* (sacred thread-bearing ceremony) and weddings, by strictly following state and county's health and safety guidelines.
6. Secretary Bhandari notified managing committee members about a public enhancement notice or a citation from the City of Norwalk. The notice was emailed to the President and Secretary by Chakra Pani Mishra two days ago. It has already passed the deadline to respond. A City Inspector had apparently visited the property in February and asked the current occupant to make corrections. Rameshor will speak with city officials and figure out how to resolve the problem.
7. Rameshor proposed to move the motion that the meeting approve a request by temple's Patron and Honorary Consul General of Nepal, Rishi Dhakal, to host a consular camp at the temple in June. The meeting unanimously decided to host a consular camp to be organized by the Embassy of Nepal in Washington DC. The consular camp will be tentatively organized in the first week of June (probably June 4th and 5th). SPFU will provide logistics and notify the public to get benefit from the camp.

7. New Business

Since all the agenda items were discussed, there was no new business.

8. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM PST.

Signed and submitted:

Rameshor Bhandari
Secretary