



Shree Pashupatinath Foundation, USA

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

Minutes

The eighth meeting of the Managing Board of Directors of Shree Pashupatinath Foundation, USA was held on Sunday, September 26, 2021, at 10:00 AM PST at the office of the Foundation in Norwalk, California.

1. Attendance

S. N	Name	Position	Roll Call (Note)
1	Mukunda Dhungana	President	Present
2	Bimal Shrestha	First Vice President	Absent (informed)
3	Neera Aryal Pandey	Second Vice President	Absent (informed)
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	Present
9	Bhim P Dhakal	Treasurer	Present
10	Kosh Raj Thapaliya	Joint Treasurer	Present
11	Chandra Siwakoti	Director	Present
12	Keshar Bhandari	Director	Absent (didn't inform)
13	Lalmati (Sona) Basnet	Director	Present
14	Nabin K Pokharel	Director	Present
15	Ram Babu Pandey	Director	Present
16	Sushil Chaugai	Director	Present
17	Dilli (Siddhartha) Silwal	Director	Present
18	Amit Luitel	Youth Member	Present
19	Shusma Pant	Youth Member	Present
20	Subin Bhattarai	Youth Member	Present
21	Suraj Shrestha	Youth Member	Present



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Advisors Present

Bhakta Thapa, Rishi Dhakal, Kanhaiya Kayastha, Gokul Poudyal, Shradha Upadhyay KC

Also present, if any

Trustee Chairperson Veda Bhakta Joshi, General Secretary Rajendra Siwakoti, Treasurer Aka Raj Pandey, and visitors Kamal Adhikari and Mina Adhikari

2. Roll Call

Secretary Bhandari called the meeting to order at 10:30 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

Secretary Bhandari moved the motion to approve the minutes of the seventh meeting of the Managing Board of Directors of Shree Pashupatinath Foundation, USA held on August 1, 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. Agenda item 6 was added on the request of Trustee General Secretary Rajendra Siwakoti. The board members agreed to table the agenda. The following agenda items were tabled.

Agenda:

- (1) Introduction of Advisors and Youth Members
- (2) Approval of minutes of August 1st meeting
- (3) Update on financial situation, Puja Committee, and Sunday School
- (4) Review of temple facilities, including faucets and drinking water fountain
- (5) Upcoming Dashain program
- (6) Additional agenda, conflict of interest implementation

5. Welcome and Update

President Dhungana welcomed the board members and asked Secretary Bhandari to table the agenda items.

Rameshor Bhandari introduced himself and asked all meeting attendees to introduce themselves. New advisor Shradha Upadhyay KC and youth members Amrit Luitel, Shusma Pant, Subin



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Bhattarai and Suraj Shrestha expressed happiness over their appointment and promised to work for fulfilling the mission of the Foundation.

6. Discussion/Decision(s)

1. Secretary Bhandari moved the motion to approve the minutes of the board meeting held on August 1, 2021. The meeting approved the minutes.
2. Treasurer Bhim Dhakal presented the financial summary. The Foundation has a balance of about \$349,000 in three bank accounts as of September 26, 2021. Board members asked to give the details of the monthly expenses. Treasurer Dhakal will prepare a detailed summary and present at the next meeting.
The Puja Committee did not have any updates.
Secretary Bhandari said Sunday school is up and running virtually via zoom, and Sunday school coordinator and lead Shyam Joshi and Suman Dhakal respectively have been working independently. About 70 students are currently enrolled. There is no enrollment fee for attending online class.
3. Rameshor said restroom sink faucets were broken and the water pipes in the main building need to be replaced. The meeting decided to authorize VP Bimal Shrestha to collect price quotes for repair and maintenance work and fix everything before the Dashain festival.
4. President Dhungana invited Pandit Jiban Baral to join the meeting. The President asked Guru to present his plan for Dashain celebration. Guru said he wants to organize the festival a little differently by inviting Indian community, but he hasn't been able to find a large size Murti of the Goddess Durga Bhawani. Board members said it is too late to find a large statue of the Goddess Durga, so the meeting unanimously decided grow Jamara in front of the temple and decorate with garlands and flowers as in the previous years.
5. President Dhungana said that the last agenda item be discussed, and Secretary Rameshor Bhandari asked Trustee General Secretary Rajendra Siwakoti to table the agenda. The attendees discussed the pros and cons of one-person-one-post policy. The attendees agreed that the upcoming annual general meeting should decide the issue, and no action should be taken against any management board members at this time.

7. New Business

There was no new business.

8. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:20 PM PST.

Signed and submitted:

Rameshor Bhandari
Secretary