# Shree Pashupatinath Foundation, USA

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

## **Minutes**

The twentieth meeting of the Managing Board of Directors of Shree Pashupatinath Foundation, USA was held on Sunday, November 13, 2022, 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	Present (on the phone)
3	Neera Aryal Pandey	Second Vice President	Absent (informed)
4	Dilli Thapa	Third Vice President	Absent (informed)
5	Netra Mainaly	Fourth Vice President	Present
6	Rajesh Pandey	Fifth Vice President	Absent (informed)
7	Rameshor Bhandari	Secretary	Present
8	Eka Dev Sharma	Joint Secretary	Present (on the phone)
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	Absent (informed)
17	Dilli (Siddhartha) Silwal	Director	Present
18	Amit Luitel	Youth Member	Absent (didn't inform)
19	Shusma Pant	Youth Member	Absent (didn't inform)
20	Subin Bhattarai	Youth Member	Absent (didn't inform)
21	Suraj Shrestha	Youth Member	Absent (didn't inform)

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#### Also present, if any

BOT Chairman Veda Bhakta Joshi, Trustee Treasurer Akaraj Pandey, advisor Bhakta Thapa

#### 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 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Managing Board of Directors of Shree Pashupatinath Foundation, USA held on Sunday, October 30, 2022.

#### 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) Preparation for hosting a Consular Camp of the Embassy of Nepal in Washington DC on November 24 and 25, 2022

#### 5. Welcome and Update

President Dhungana welcomed BOT chairman Veda Bhakta Joshi, advisor Rishi Dhakal, and other community members, and he asked Secretary Bhandari to table the agenda items.

#### 6. Discussion/Decision(s)

The meeting approved the minutes of the 19th board meeting held on October 30, 2022.

**Decisions:** (1) The meeting decided to serve food to all visitors on November 24 and 25. Director Nabin Pokharel and VP Dilli Thapa will manage food and kitchen. For the book launch event on November 23, vegetarian food will be ordered from a restaurant.



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- (2) The meeting unanimously decided to felicitate the following community members for their contributions to the Foundation.
  - (1) Suman Dhakal, Pathashala lead
  - (2) Late Nog Raj (Deepak) Pathak, Posthumous Excellence Award
  - (3) Ram Sharan Pandey, Volunteer in the kitchen
  - (4) Chakra Pani Mishra
  - (5) Gokul P. Dhakal
- (3) The meeting decided to present large size plaques to all five special awardees.
- (4) Certificate of Appreciation will also be awarded to Deusi-Bhailo host Punya Sharma and Dashi Sharma of Cerritos.
- (5) The meeting unanimously decided to release *Momentous Journey: A Brief History of Shree Pashupatinath and Buddha Mandir on November 23<sup>rd</sup>*. Former advisor Dr. Deepak Shimkhada's book will also be released on the same occasion, but the Foundation's flyer will not include his book's information.
- (6) The meeting decided to release the book jointly by Veda Bhakta Joshi, Deputy Chief of Mission of the Embassy of Nepal in Washington DC Kumar Raj Kharel, Mayor of Artesia, Mayor of Norwalk, Rishi Dhakal, Mukunda Dhungana, Bhakta Thapa, Gokul Paudyal, and Akaraj Pandey.
- (7) The meeting unanimously decided not to arrange guest seating on the stage. Everyone will be seated on the floor. Speakers will go to the podium for their speeches.

#### 7. New Business

There was no new business.

### 8. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM PST.

Signed and submitted:

Rameshor Bhandari

Secretary