

# HTA BOD's Emergency Meeting Minutes held on June 17th, 2007 (2:28pm)

Present: Jagdish Sharma, Uma Ramchandra, Ashwani Bakshi, Mohini Ahuja, Vasu Atluri, Kamal Kharbanda(via phone),Anil Gupta, Dr, Govind Satapathy

# AGENDA ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes:

The Secretary presented the minutes for May 6<sup>th</sup>, and May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007 meetings for approval. Prem B made the motion seconded by Ashwani Bakshi to approve the minutes with minor spelling mistakes. All voted yes, motion carried.

# AGENDA ITEM 2: R-1 Visa for New Pujari:

The Board suggested that the Secretary should stay in touch with the HTA Legal Consul Mr. Jay Ankur Bansal regarding the visa status and updates. Jagdish Sharma will keep the Board updated as per new changes if any.

# AGENDA ITEM 3: Recognition of Volunteers at HTA Anniversary:

A Final list of volunteers was developed based on the input from Board members and other devotees. These volunteers will be recognized at the time of Temple's anniversary function.

# AGENDA ITEM 4: New Property Mortgage status:

Asha Jain and Mohini Ahuja discussed with the Board and shared the information that all the mortgage payments and other bills pertaining to the new property at 3033 N. Hayden Rd. are being paid in a timely manner. There are issues or problems related to the subject.

# AGENDA ITEM 5: Murti Sthapana Preliminary Budget :

Ashwani Bakshi presented to the Board a preliminary budget pertaining to the Murti Strhapna ceremonies. There were few things that he needed information on and he told the Board that he is waiting for the dollar numbers for those few items, once he gets all the numbers, he will put together a final budget and present it.

# AGENDA ITEM 6: Puja Events at HTA:

Ashwani Bakshi discussed this item with the rest of the Board that he will highly recommend that at least one Board member from Puja Committee must be present on all Sunday and other major puja events. He said he will work and set up a matrix with each board member's names associated with a puja on Sundays. He will present it to the Board.

# AGENDA ITEM 7: Murti Sthapana Updates:

Vasu Atluri apprised the Board about Bala Ji's murti and said that the shilpies are working on a setting up a mold for the murti and once the mold is done, they will ship the murti to Jaipur. One set of vastars (clothing) will accompany the murti and one set of brass ornaments will also come with the murti. Utsav murtis will also be coming in approximately 45 days and the size is approximately 24 inches.

# **AGENDA ITEM 8: Prasad Committee:**

The Board felt that some of the devotees who have been involved with the preparations of the Prasad need some break and we need to find an alternative devotees who will help the existing devotees. The Board will work on a new matrix and present in the next meeting.

# AGENDA ITEM 9: Puja Committee Updates:

Puja Committee chair Uma Ramchandra updated the Board about the upcoming event of Lord Jagannath Yatra in July 2007. She indicated that she has been working on the issue of putting all the resources together.