

BOARD MEETING 6-20-2022 5 PM to 7 PM (EST)

In attendance:

Board Members: Ranaka (Doug Fintel), Vrsni (Virginia Van Pelt), Anuttama (Geoffrey Walker), Jaya Krsna (Josef Imseng), Vrindavan (Biswajit Das), Jayasri (Jill Clayton), Gopisa (Gabriel Fried)

Advisors – – Gopal Hari (Gopal Gupta)

Recording Secretary: Jayasri (Jill Clayton)

Thus representing a quorum for said meeting to be held.

**Ratifying minutes from May meeting** – Vrsni proposed to ratify the minutes for the May 22,2022 meeting. Anuttama seconded the motion. All in favor – **Motion Passed**

**Weekend review** – Jaya Krsna gave a review of the Holy Name Retreat and 24-hour Kirtan. Both events were well attended with very positive feedback from the participants. Though the events were advertised to the local community well in advance, it appears that some local residents did not get the opportunity to participate in the Holy Names retreat. In the future, efforts will be made to give New Vrindaban residents priority. Jaya Krsna stated that the two events will no longer be held concurrently due to the strain on resources. Anuttama mentioned that the next two years the event dates fall on a holiday.

**Temple building expansion** – Jaya Krsna presented a revised and expanded version of the original approved mail and deity room project. The new proposal would total 4900 sq feet, expand to both sides of the walkway, and be three stories. It would include a cooler for the deity flowers with tables to work on vases, additional dry bhoga storage and additional rooms for both men's and women's ashrams. The board members felt that it would not be prudent to assume more debt to fund the expanded version. As the project was met with positive feedback, different ideas were discussed on how to proceed. The suggestion that had the most traction was to build the original approved rooms but do so in a way that would accommodate easy expansion as funds became available.

**Final vote on Vrindaville** – Gopisa made the presentation. Ishan, Sita and Gopisa went through the contract language, made several edits to address board concerns, and then reviewed the contract with the lawyer for final corrections. As the documents were sent last minute, the board decided to review and amend the paperwork through email during the following week and then vote via email.

**Srila Prabhupada's domes and roof update** – Gopisa made the presentation. The current domes, though improperly painted, will be installed until the replacements come in May of 2023. When the domes are replaced, they can be used to build other temples.

**Cabins and apartments** – Gopisa made the presentation.

Cabins - The earth work needs to be finished. Utilities are being engineered and will be installed once the permits are approved. A contract with George Schuster (K&K Builders) has been signed for the construction of the 5 cabins.

Apartments – Culverts are being installed to divert water and provide access to the apartments. The building footers have been dug and will be poured next week. Utilities are also in the process of being installed. Planned completion is late Fall.

**Devotee care update** – Jaya Krsna made the presentation. Jaya Krsna and Nityodita met, discussed, and approved the budget request. Ranaka will oversee and audit the Devotee Care accounts. Rupanuga will do their bookkeeping.

**Date for next meeting** - July 12<sup>th</sup> 5-7 PM Tuesday

Meeting ended at: 7 PM

This is a concise summary of the minutes in their entirety