



# Shree Pretoria Hindu Seva Samaj

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**Celebrating 83 Years of Selfless Service**

## MINUTES OF THE JOINT INTERIM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & TRUSTEE MEETING OF THE SHREE PRETORIA HINDU SEVA SAMAJ

**Held at :** The Boardroom, Shree Pretoria Hindu Seva Samaj  
**Date :** Monday, 8 June 2015  
**Time :** 19:30

No.	MATTERS DISCUSSED	ACTION POINTS	BY WHOM
1.	<p><b>PRAYER &amp; WELCOME</b></p> <p><b>In the Chair – Rameshbhai Chhagan</b></p> <p>The meeting commenced with a prayer and welcome to all members present. A minute's silence was held for all those members of the community who passed on since the last meeting.</p>		
2.	<p><b>ATTENDANCE &amp; APOLOGIES</b></p> <p><b>In Attendance:</b> Vineetbhai Rama; Harshadbhai Pema Sheetalbhen Ranchod; Rameshbhai Chhagan; Dhruvbhai Sodha; Pranaybhai Devchand; Kishorbhai Naran; Madhubhen Modhi; Jyotibhen Joshi; Bharatbhai Kooverjie; Nareshbhai Kallan; Pravinbhai Daya. Urvibhen Mehta &amp; Vinaybhai Chagan attended in their capacity as administrators.</p> <p><b>Apology/Absent:</b> Harshilabhen Kooverjie; Mukeshbhai Joshi; Bhadrakanbhai Chiba; Bhaavicbhai Chhana &amp; Chandrasenbhai Bhana</p>		
3.	<p><b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA &amp; MINUTES</b></p>		

	It was agreed that the meeting should be regarded as a special meeting to deal with the Samaj elections and that only other matters of an urgent nature should be addressed. Any decisions taken at this special meeting would be tabled for formal approval at the next Executive Committee meeting.		
4.	<b>MATTERS DISCUSSED</b>		
4.1	<b><i>Sound Systems</i></b>  Vineetbhai reported that he had purchased a new sound system as per the President's urgent request that this be done in time for the welcoming function for the High Commissioner of India held on Sunday 31 May 2015. An agreement with service provider to manage the sound system is still outstanding.	Sound system management agreement	Vineetbhai
4.2	<b><i>Murthi Clothes</i></b>  Harshadbhai enquired as to when the matter of a management plan for the dressing of the murthis will be finalised. Rameshbhai reported that he has asked Mukeshbhai several times to submit such a plan and had even requested a meeting but so far his requests have been ignored.	Present management plan for clothing of murthis.	Mukeshbhai
4.3	<b><i>Welcome Function for New High Commissioner</i></b>  Members expressed satisfaction at the welcome function that was held on Sunday, 31 May for the recently appointed High Commissioner of India to South Africa. The HC & her secretary attended a prayer service in our mandir, followed by lunch and a short meeting with trustees and executives where matters of mutual cooperation were discussed.		
4.4	<b><i>Email received from Mansukhbhai Chhiba</i></b>  Received an email from Mansukhbhai Chhiba in which he expressed the view that the events of the AGM of 17 May and the declaration of the elections as null & void should not be viewed in a negative manner.	Acknowledge receipt of letter	Bhaavicbhai
4.5	<b><i>Letter of Complaint from Shobhnabhen Morar</i></b>  Shobhnabhen Morar, daughter of the late Maganbhai Parbhoo, sent a letter expressing her unhappiness at our priest, Mukeshbhai Joshi, for not conducting the last rites at her father's funeral. Some members cited other incidents where Mukeshbhai had also failed to honour appointments or behaved in an unacceptable manner. After some discussion, members felt that because such behaviour is an embarrassment and is damaging the		

	reputation of the Samaj, going forward all bookings/appointments should be done through the administrator's office only. Also, an enquiry should be held to verify the various allegations being made with the view to resolving them.		
4.6	<p><b><i>Late Study Loan/ Bursary Application</i></b></p> <p>Pranaybhai informed members that a late study loan (bursary) application has been received, after the allotted funds have already been distributed to applicants. He asked if further funds would be made available in order to consider the application. Due to budgetary constraints, his request was not approved.</p>		
4.7	<p><b><i>New Election Procedure: Voters' Roll</i></b></p> <p>A draft document in line with the recommendation made by the electoral officer that a voters' roll with clear criteria and procedures be established was tabled for discussion. After some recommended changes, the document was accepted in-principle but it was agreed that a circular should be sent to the community to obtain their views before a final decision is taken.</p>		
5.	<p><b>NEXT MEETING</b></p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, 29 June 2015.</p>		
6.	<p><b>PRAYER &amp; CLOSURE</b></p> <p>The meeting ended with a prayer at 10:00pm</p>		

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