

MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEE MEETING OF THE SHREE PRETORIA HINDU SEVA SAMAJ

Held at: The Boardroom, Shree Pretoria Hindu Seva Samaj
 Date: Saturday, 19 November 2016
 Time: 14h00

No.	MATTERS DISCUSSED	ACTION POINTS	BY WHOM
1.	<p>PRAYER & WELCOME In the Chair – Pravinbhai Daya The meeting commenced with a prayer and welcome to all members present.</p> <p>A minute’s silence was held as a mark of respect to those members of the community who have passed on since the last meeting. A special word of condolence was mentioned on the passing of Ashwinbhai Joshi, who was previously an Exco member of long serving, and that his wife and son are currently serving members on the Exco.</p> <p>He furthermore thanked all for sacrificing their Saturday afternoon.</p>		
2.	<p>ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES In Attendance: Pranaybhai Devchand, Saileshbhai Bhagattjee, Pravinbhai Daya, Madhubhen Modi, Harshilabhen Kooverjee, Viralbhai Patel & Girishbhai Daya.</p> <p>Apology: Harshadbhai Bhikhu Pema & Miheerbhai Joshi</p>		
3.	<p>QUORUM Quorum was formed by adequate and appropriate attendance as is required.</p>		
4.	<p>APPROVAL OF AGENDA & Minutes The agenda for today’s meeting as well as minutes of the meeting on 17 August 2016 were proposed and accepted by the attendees.</p>	<p>Proposed by – Girishbhai Daya Seconded by – Madhubhen Modi</p>	
5.	<p>Matters Arising The matters arising from the previous meeting held were discussed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Marabastad Properties – progress of the team was noted and which topic is further discussed as per agenda item below; 		

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	<p>2. Research – progress noted as below;</p> <p>3. Newsletter - it is determined that there is no validity herein esp. given social media and frequent emails to community.</p> <p>4. Tshwane Diwali Show – The Trustees praised the excellent team work of all members involved and its success of the show.</p> <p>5. Navratri – This too went well and the food stalls catered well for the public.</p> <p>6. Membership to SPHSS – A clause on historical membership will be designed and placed for consideration into the review of the constitution</p>		
6	<p>MARABASTAD PROPERTY This aspect is progressing well. Saileshbhai presented herein on interim measures, consultations with various stakeholders and the on-boarding of new and prospective members onto the “operation Bharkat” team.</p>		SPHSS Executive and Special Projects portfolio
7	<p>Internal Audit Panel An internal audit by the trustees is to be undertaken, as per the policy, during September 2016. This exercise could not be undertaken at this date and a fresh date is to be determined for either 19 or 20 December 2016.</p>	Circulate date to trustees	Pravinbhai Daya, Dec 2016
8	<p>Vaagha The executive reported that the matter was still receiving due attention. The trustees agreed to intervene, where and if necessary.</p> <p>A member of the executive reported that he was rudely confronted on the matter in a public space. The trustees undertook to investigate the matter and assured those who voluntarily serve the Samaj, that their concerns will be duly addressed by the trustees.</p>		

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9	Ad Hoc matters The following are, in essence, matters for consideration by the Trustees to the executive:		
9.1	Old Wood Crematorium Saileshbhai presented a slide presentation on their findings of the old wood crematorium. A number of options exist with respect to the further development hereof. The executive committee confirmed that on-going arrangements are being made in consultation with the Tshwane city council and which is foreseen to take approximately 2 years to resolve all legal documentation prior to development. The executive committee furthermore felt this was not a current priority.		
9.2	BOREHOLE The borehole was not a feasible exercise after consultation with geologists.		
9.3	Availability of hall for “deceased lying in state” The executive reported that a standard fee has been set.		
10	Resident Priest The trustees received high praise from various members of the community for the services rendered by Sunilbhai Bhatt. Pravinbhai, on behalf of the SPHSS community, paid acknowledgement to this feedback and praised Sunilbhai for his sterling efforts.		
11	BAPS memorial service for Pramukh Swami Maharaj Pravinbhai extended his sympathies and appreciation to BAPS for the invitation. He further expressed his appreciation for the dedication and services rendered by the members of BAPS including their meticulous approach to detail.		

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12	Integration The executive committee reported successful and proactive association with a number of organisations including BAPS, Iskcon and possibly Shiv Yog. Their intent to constantly and proactively attempt to create joint co-ordination on community traditions such as Krishna Jayanti, Shivratri, etc. The trustees noted this and congratulated the executive for their vision. The Exco invited the trustees to promote this vision.		
13	General A discussion was held on determining further usage of the school premises. The Marabastad Mandir was underutilised where only one person was reported to be attending daily. Solutions should be considered herein. Review of the constitution must begin.		
12	NEXT MEETING The next meeting will be held in March 2017.	Trustees	
13	PRAYER & CLOSURE With no further business, the meeting ended with a prayer at 16:30pm		