



ORGANIZATION FOR HINDU RELIGION AND CULTURE

Religious Non-Profit Organization

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OHRC Board of Directorates Meeting Minutes May 13, 2018

Meeting Summary:

Meeting: Monthly Board of Directors (BOD) meeting.

Date: 13th May 2018

Location: 4501 Ethel Street Harrisburg, PA 17109

Meeting Opening and Endorsement of Previous Minutes

The meeting opened with the appreciation of OHRC Education Team. OHRC Education team played a significant role in the smooth beginning of NEP 2018 session. OHRC chairman, Mr. Tula Ram Neopaney acknowledge that managing academic program along with the jurisdictional issue is not an easy task. Per Mr. Neopaney, the input of every member of OHRC education team is significant to meet the challenges. The auspicious beginning of NEP 2018 session evident that every member of the education team provided keen attention to the individual responsibility and invested a substantial amount of time to prepare themselves to overcome the challenges. Further, Mr. Neopaney gratefully acknowledged the time and devotion invested by the grant writing team to develop the grant proposal for "Gammakonda Reddy Bhutanese American Grant Program" proposed by Hindu American Foundation (HAF). Mr. Neopaney added that the organization value the trust and commitment of OHRC Education Team and Grant Writing Team for their input to serve the community.

Action 01: Financial Update

Mrs. Saraswati Ghimirey, the lead treasurer of OHRC, presented the latest financial details. Per Mrs. Ghimirey the monthly income of April 2018 is \$4,320.82 and the monthly expenditure is \$460.00; therefore, the current balance in General Account is \$3,860.82. On the other end, the beginning balance in Temple Account is \$24,247.30 and the expenditure of April 2018 is \$4117.62. Accordingly, the current balance in Temple Account is \$20,129.68. As of April 2018, the loan balance is \$74,000.00. According to Mr. Sri Narayan Dhital, the secretary of the organization, "a dollar a day" contribution amount to \$2512.74 in April 2018. Thus, it is evident that OHRC finance department administrated all financial actions smoothly with the high degree of transparency.

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Action 02: Update on Nepali Education Program (NEP) 2018

The significant period of the May 2018 session was utilized on discussing the current status of Nepali Education Program (NEP) including the challenges and their mitigating measures. OHRC Education Director Mr. Mahendra Adhikari updated the current status of NEP. Per Mr. Adhikari, the total enrolment exceeds 150 students. The level one classrooms are almost oversized. Mr. Adhikari added that the lack of sufficient space NEP obliges to run the instruction in the oversized classrooms. Mr. Nabin Bhattarai, the assistant director of NEP, stated that all the academic activities are running smoothly. Despite the oversized classrooms, teachers were committed to providing quality instruction.

On the other end, there was a healthy discussion about the financial need of NEP to meet the daily instructional expenditure. The OHRC Board of Directorates and NEP team jointly calculate NEP per-head minimum expenditure. The per-head outlays to meet the minimum requirement of one student is \$50.80 per academic session (37 weeks) excluding the teacher incentive and training cost. Therefore, OHRC Board of Directorates and NEP team agree to charge minimum \$50.80 per student to run the program. The board of directorate approved to send an official letter to request parents for the above stated mandatory financial assistance.

Action 03: Strategy to accelerate OHRC Loan program and fund-raising activities

There was a thoughtful discussion to accelerate the fundraising program. The board of directorates agreed to employ any appropriate (legal) and strategic approach to expedite the OHRC loan program. Keeping every option open, BOD decided to launch home visit program to accelerate the "OHRC loan" program and "a dollar a day" fundraising programs in near future.

Final Remarks and Next Meeting

As the organization continues to move forward, we need the support of the whole community, well-wishers, donors, volunteers and board members to continue doing good work to make valuable progress in the community. The Organization for Hindu Religion and Culture (OHRC) thank everyone for the kind support and for making us responsible. Next meeting will be on the first Sunday of June 2018 (unless otherwise notified).

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Endorsees (Board of Directorates):

1. Mr. Tula R Neopaney (Chairman).
2. Mr. Dhanapati Siwakoti (Vice Chairman).
3. Mr. Sri N Dhital (Secretary).
4. Mrs. Saraswati Ghimire (Treasurer).
5. Mr. Narad Subedi (Treasurer).
6. Mr. Yogi Luitel (Event Manager).
7. Mr. Tika Basnet (Human Resources).
8. Mr. Khagen Ghimirey (Youth and Sport).
9. Mrs. Kaushila Chimoriya (Education Coordinator).
10. Mrs. Saraswati Rizal (Women and Children).
11. Mr. Tek Dhakal (Media and Technology).

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