



FORT WAYNE BHAJAN SOCIETY Inc.

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Minutes of Meeting
Board of Directors Meeting
3:00PM - 4:30PM, Sunday, May 30, 2026
Unitarian Universalist Church
5310 Old Mill Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46807

Attendees:

Ajay Gupta	Hitesh Patel
Shanmugasundaram Subramanian	Vikram Pal Gupta
Jayesh Patel	Vasant Mapara

Proxies

Reena Thapa (Abhijit(P); Vikram(S))	Pallavi Merchant (Vasant Mapara)
Harish Ardeshta (Ajay Gupta)	Ramani Krishnan (Ajay Gupta)

Absentees:

Abhijit Shukla	Neerja Singh
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- The President called the meeting in session, and the meeting started at 3:09 PM;
- Hitesh motioned to approve the Feb 22nd Board meeting minutes, seconded by Jayesh, and the motion was approved by all;
- Update on the progress of the community center from Hitesh:
 - Arco to deliver the building on Jun 4th between 8AM and 10AM, and the payment for this was approved in the past. Since the last meeting, the external building structure was completed;
 - Insulation materials were delivered;
 - The foundation, underground plumbing, sewer lines, storm drian, and grinding station for sewage were completed;
 - The City is requiring us to seed the soil mounds; waiting for other gradings to be completed and thus, potential to seed thoroughly;
 - Sought approval for the following spending line items:
 - i. building construction and assembly cap ex spending in the amount of \$64,586 - motioned by Hitesh, seconded by Jayesh and was carried out by all;
 - ii. heating, ventilation and air conditioning cap ex spending in the amount of \$83,590 -motioned by Hitesh, seconded by Vikram and was carried out by all;



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- iii. electrical cap ex spending in the amount of \$89,872 - motioned by Jayesh, seconded by Vasant and was carried out by all;
 - iv. fire protection cap ex spending in the amount of \$35,600 - motioned by Jayesh, seconded by Vikram and was carried out by all;
 - v. interior walls cap ex spending in the amount of \$72,090 - motioned by Vasant, seconded by Jayesh and was carried out by all;
 - vi. doors cap ex spending in the amount of \$52,650 with hope of saving some spending by using existing doors in the storage - motioned by Jayesh, seconded by Vikram and was carried out by all;
 - vii. interior plumbing fixtures cap ex spending in the amount of \$24,726 - motioned by Jayesh, seconded by Vasant and was carried out by all;
 - viii. flooring cap ex spending in the amount of \$36,500 - motioned by Vikram, seconded by Ajay and was carried out by all; explore the opportunities with any clearance, darker in color and durable products;
 - ix. ceilings (kitchen, office, class room and storage room drop ceilings) cap ex spending in the amount of \$5,855 - motioned by Jayesh, seconded by Vikram and was carried out by all;
 - x. based on recent analysis, NIPSCO is asking for additional \$98,000 to bring the gas line (including 48% credit); additional negotiations are on going to bring these charges down;
 - xi. based on the rolling test additional stone materials were used in the driveway for about 200 ft length, 12 - 18 inches deep and for the width of the driveway costing additional \$9,000

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- Hitesh brought an idea of offering Mike Car wash packages to the community and share the revenue with Mike Car Wash as a fund raiser;
- There was discussion on approaching community members to serve as Bala Vihar tutors. Subsequently, a small group assembled and discussed about the potential curriculum. It was decided to conduct a survey to understand the needs of the community. Dr. Pravesh Rastogi leads these efforts;
- It was decided to hold the distribution of the financials till the board reviews with Treasurer;
- Ajay updated the board about the discussion on Omkaar Temple with a group of community members who were conducting due diligence to possibly take over the temple management:
 - FWBS supported and continues to support the temple by utilizing temple's priestly services whenever such services are available;
 - FWBS members' continued participation in temple services



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- Pointing out the lack of participation in FWBS' activities from a section of legacy members
 - FWBS is always open in supporting the temple
 - The meeting was adjourned by the President at 5:30PM.