

NASKA 2022 GBM minutes

Attendees: Ranadip Acharya, Nirupam Basu, Animesh Chandra, Dhruvajyoti Chattopadhyay, Girija S Bhunia, Sanjit Sanyal, Ananya Ganguly, Arindam Chakraborty, Tarun Chaudhury, Ayan Pal, Joybrata Das, Sanchita Maitra Chatterjee, Malay Nag

Call to order: Current president Dhruvajyoti summarized the year, thanking all members and volunteers for a successful Kali Puja in 2021. Dhruva, then proposed Animesh Chandra as Chairperson for the meeting. The meeting was henceforth conducted by Animesh.

Changes in Executive committee for **NASKA**:

- 1 current EC member (Sanjit) is stepping down, while Malay Nag is inducted as new EC member as Advisor
- The following posts remain unchanged for 2022 – 23
 - Dhruvajyoti as President
 - Ranadip as Vice-President
 - Joybrata as Secretary
 - Arindam as Treasurer
 - Sanchita, Ananya, Girija and Ayan as Advisors

Financials:

- Arindam presented the financials for last year and confirmed that NASKA ended with surplus
- Total surplus stands at: \$13335.77, total expenses at: \$9938.37 (Pujo Expenses: 8938.37 Pujo Budget: \$8351.00)
- Starting balance at bank was: \$29324.95, and we ended the year with net bank balance of \$32722.35
- There was a suggestion made to track “special “sponsor payments and ensure that their patronage and financial support remains consistent. The EC will deliberate on this in subsequent meetings

Board of Authorities finalization:

The quorum agreed to finalize BoAs in a subsequent meeting, except for a few that needed urgent attention. At least one EC member will be included in each BoA.

- Priest – Dhruvajyoti Chattopadhyay, Animesh Chandra, Tarun Chowdhury
- Artist – Ranadip Acharya, Sanjit Sanyal
- Publicity – Dhruvajyoti Chattopadhyay, Joybrata Das, Animesh Chandra and Tarun Chowdhury

The current EC will further deliberate on the remaining BoAs and will include one EC member in each.

Planning for 2022 Kalipuja:

- This year Kalipuja is on Oct 24th, hence the quorum agreed to perform the NASKA Kalipuja on prior Saturday, Oct 22nd.
- Owing to challenges with Shri Samiran Chakraborty’s availability Animesh has approached Shri Swadesh (who performs BAGH Durga Puja) and confirmed his availability to perform the puja
- Tarun Chowdhury has been requested to scout for a back-up option for priest

- Dhruvajyoti will discuss separately about Kalipuja venue with a smaller group

The quorum also discussed the Kalipuja budget projections for 2022, as shown below:

Category	Projection
Priest	\$ 800
School + Police + Custodian	\$ 8,000
Decoration	\$ 200
Dinner	\$ 7,000
Puja Materials	\$ 500
Publicity (Magazine)	\$ 1,500
Insurance	\$ 600
Cultural event + Sound	\$ 10,000
Snacks, Beverage and Kitchenware	\$ 1,200
Transport	\$ 1,300
Storage	\$ 1,100
PO Renewal	\$ 100
CT Tax Filing	\$ 50
Miscellaneous	\$ 100
TOTAL	\$ 32,450

Board of Trustees Update:

- Nirupam Basu shared update on BoT activities
- Currently the team is scouting various locations and exploring short- and long-term options
- Dhruvajyoti has been requested to share the research report with the EC Team