

## NASKA 2024 GBM minutes

Date: Feb 12th, 2024

**Attendees:** Ranadip Acharya, Nirupam Basu, Animesh Chandra, Dhruvajyoti Chattopadhyay, Girija S Bhunia, Sanjit Sanyal, Ananya Ganguly, Arindam Chakravarty, Tarun Chowdhury, Ayan Pal, Joybrata Das, Sanchita Maitra Chatterjee, Mainak Biswas

**Call to order:** Joybrata started the meeting with a short summary the previous year, thanking all members and volunteers for a successful Kali Puja in 2023. Joybrata, then proposed Dhruvajyoti as Chairperson for the meeting which was seconded by other attendees. The meeting was henceforth conducted by Dhruvajyoti, who invited relevant individuals to cover specific agenda items.

### FINANCIALS 2023 – Arindam Chakravarty

- Arindam presented the financials for last year and confirmed that NASKA has ended with surplus.
- 2023 starting balance at bank was: \$38,303.83, and we ended the year with net bank balance of \$19,095.26
- Total collections for the year was \$30,872.82, total expenses at: \$26,681.39 vs a planned budget of \$28,412
- A sum of \$24000 was transferred to the NASKA Tirtha Kendra Fund from the surplus available. This is as per the decision taken by NASKA EC previously.

<b>NASKA 2023 Financials</b>	
<b>COLLECTIONS</b>	<b>\$30,872.82</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$26,681.39</b>
<b>Expense Split Categories</b>	
Community Hall + Police + Custodian	\$3,447.60
Pujo Materials + Snack, Beverage Kitchenware	\$2,676.16
Dinner	\$4,900.00
Decoration	\$0.00
Publicity (Magazine)	\$722.38
Transport	\$299.42
Storage	\$1,780.00
Priest	\$600.00
Other Miscellaneous	\$522.08
Insurance	\$550.00
PO Renewal	\$142.00
CT Tax filing	\$50.00
Pizza	\$159.75
GoDaddy Site Renewal	832
Artist & Sound Arrangement	\$10,000.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$26,681.39</b>

### NASKA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2024 – Dhrubajyoti Chattopadhyay

- 1 change in NASKA EC – Ranadip Acharya becomes President while Dhrubajyoti will be the Vice President
- NASKA EC for 2023-24
  - Ranadip as President
  - Dhrubajyoti as Vice President
  - Joybrata as Secretary
  - Arindam as Treasurer
  - Sanchita, Ananya, Girija, Ayan and Mainak as Advisors

### BOARD OF TRUSTEE UPDATE – Tarun Chowdhury

- Trustee Board members shared the exciting news that the land for the NASKA Tirtha Kendra has been purchased
- They also shared that the next 12 months will be spent in planning for the construction of the temple after which the actual construction will commence

### 2024 PLANNING – Dhrubajyoti Chattopadhyay

- **Kali Puja** – 26<sup>th</sup> October finalized as the date for NASKA Kali Puja 2024
- Finalization of 3 BoAs that need to get into action now, others to be finalized during subsequent EC meetings
  - **Priest** - Dhrubajyoti Chattopadhyay, Animesh Chandra, Tarun Chowdhury
  - **Artist** - Ranadip Acharya, Sanjit Sanyal
  - **Publicity** - Dhrubajyoti Chattopadhyay, Joybrata Das, Animesh Chandra and Tarun Chowdhury
- Priest for 2024 NASKA Kalipuja has been finalized – Samiran Chakraborty
- **Budget 2024 –Dhrubajyoti Chattopadhyay**

Budget		Actual
Community Hall + Police + Custodian	\$6,500.00	
Pujo Materials + Snack, Beverage Kitchenware	\$2,500.00	
Dinner	\$6,500.00	
Decoration	\$500.00	
Publicity (Magazine)	\$900.00	
Transport (U-Haul)	\$400.00	
Storage	\$1,000.00	
Sound		
Priest	\$800.00	
Other Miscellaneous	\$500.00	
Insurance	\$550.00	
PO Renewal	\$150.00	
CT Tax filing	\$50.00	

Cultural Event + Sound+ Artist Transport+ Accommodation	\$15,000.00	
Pizza	\$200.00	
GoDaddy Site Renewal	\$0	
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$35,550.00</b>	

- **Other key discussion / decisions**

- Surplus fund transfer from NASKA to Tirtha Kendra account
  - Attendees at the GBM agreed to stop the yearly transfer of surplus funds from NASKA to Tirtha Kendra account.
  - The new agreement is to transfer funds only if, all of the below mentioned conditions are met
    1. The surplus exceeds a certain “retainer” amount. The retainer will be the current year’s budget agreed in GBM + 10% reserve for incidental expenses
    2. The BoT sends out an email to NASKA EC requesting for funds, and
    3. The incumbent NASKA EC approves the fund transfer.
- NASKA Magazine Sponsor list criteria update
  - Going forward, the list of “Sponsor” names for NASKA magazine will include
    - All individuals who purchased “Sponsor” category ticket in the previous year, and
    - All individuals who purchased “Sponsor” category ticket for the current year, prior to the date of NASKA Magazine publishing
- The GBM attendees unanimously decided that all EC members should be encouraged to become a Sponsor (i.e. purchase a Sponsor category ticket)

- **Follow-up discussion items** - to be covered separately by NASKA EC and respective BOAs

- Artist finalization
- Drive NASKA membership / Puja participation numbers