

## **BAGH Inc. EC Meeting 11/30/04**

Attended by Sudhangshu Bose, Sudip Bhattacharjee, Tapas Banerjee, Gopal Das, Mahua Mukhopadhyay, Somnath Deb

Absent : Tapas Ray, Sudipto Ghoshal, Raj Ray, Monosij Mazumdar, Saumitra Banerjee

### **Minutes of meeting :**

1. The meeting was called to order by Sudhangshu Bose
2. The Financial Summary was presented in brief by Sudip Bhattacharjee.
3. Tax filing (Form 990 for tax year 2003-4) has been arranged by Sudip Bhattacharjee. Accountant Dan Zito will be paid \$ 520.00 for the above services. BAGH Inc. Members may request access to details (contact Treasurer).
4. The EC reviewed the letter addressed to Sudhangshu Bose by BAGH Inc. member Bandhana Purakayasta expressing displeasure at the charitable donation made to SNEHA. Sudhangshu Bose to draft a reply letter.
5. Recap after Durga puja. Major Issues include
  - a) Donations were much less than expected although turn out was excellent. Currently there is a shortfall in funds. A suggestion for meal ticket was made for future events. The suggested minimum donation per family for Durga Puja should be \$ 100.00. Matter to be brought up at next GB Meeting.
  - b) Better notification will be needed to announce Non vegetarian meals.
  - c) The cost of Durga Puja venue seems high. Alternate lower cost (20 % or more) venues will be researched for coming years.
  - d) Cultural program changes at the last minute may have caused inconveniences to artistes and audience. More attention to detail in future.
  - e) The committee members discussed the invoice presented for Durga Puja food by Mr Laksman Sharma of Haveli . The reply letter drafted by Sudip Bhattacharjee and circulated by email was discussed. Members present suggested minor modifications to the 'tone'. All agreed on the deductions from the invoice and the reasons listed for those.
6. Monosij Mazumdar to speak with Mr Sharma of Haveli and attempt to negotiate the invoice presented for Lakshmi Puja food.
7. Any expenses over \$ 200.00 should have a written quote and presented to the Treasurer. Approval by President/Vice President required.
8. A GB meeting will be arranged for Spring 2005. To be arranged by President.
9. Date for Saraswati Puja 2005 will be 12 Feb. Snow date 13 Feb.
10. Venue will likely be Middletown Temple. Alternative venue will be School for Deaf. To be arranged by Tapas Banerjee.
11. Basanta Utsav 2005 was discussed. Funding issues are key and to be brought up in Spring GB meeting. Details to be discussed after funding issues resolved.
12. Saraswati Puja to be performed by Manojda
13. Pratima transport to be done by Somnath Deb

14. Food quotes to be obtained and finalized by Somnath Deb/Tapas Banerjee. Menu was discussed.
15. Event Insurance to be arranged by Mahua Mukhopadhyay.
16. The meeting was called to a close by Sudhangshuda at 8.30 PM.