

Minutes of the General Body Meeting: October 24, 2009

Jain Society of Greater Cleveland (JSGC) held a General Body Meeting (GBM) of its members starting at 4:00 PM on October 24, 2009, following the Diwali pooja and temple update at the Quality Inn, in Richfield, Ohio.

Minesh Shah (President) called the General Body Meeting to order at 4:00 PM. Approximately 90 members were present and per the JSGC Code of Regulations the GBM started.

- All of the nine Board of Trustees namely – Minesh Shah (President), Shanti Jain (Vice President), Sunit Jain (Treasurer), Kamna Jain (Secretary), Anil Jain, Parul Jain, Mayurika Shah, Sunil Daga, and Kalpesh Shah were present.
- The minutes of the previous General Body Meeting held on November 16, 2008, which had been available on the JSGC website, were unanimously approved by members by voice vote.
- Minesh Shah reviewed the events of the past year as well as the ongoing events of our community. See attached presentation.
 - a. Four years ago, pathshala started. Ashwin Turakhia joined the committee and took on the task to organize the pathshala. It has been very successful and he has been hosting it at his home.
 - b. Thanks to Mayurika Shah and Nipa Turakhia for hosting Mahila Mandal which takes place twice a month.
 - c. There were two olis that took place in the last year.
 - d. Gifts were presented to the children who have done tapasyas over the past year. One was from the JSGC and the other was from an anonymous donor.
- Sunit Jain gave the treasurer's report for the 2009 year. (See attached presentation)
 - a. A comment was raised that the Kalpa Sutra account should now be called the Gyan Dravya account.
 - b. That money should be earmarked for the library.
- He also recognized the Board of Trustees for their hard work and dedication in the past year. He also acknowledged the support and encouragement of his family.
- Three people will be leaving the B.O.T. Mayurika Shah who worked tirelessly and gave her full devotion did a great job. Anil Jain was always present and introduced the chai break which has been appreciated by many. Kamna Jain, who served as secretary, also did a good job. All three were awarded with plaques as a sign of appreciation. Three new members were nominated by the nominating committee, Sailesh Nanavati, Atul Shah and Chaggan Bafna, whom he thanked for their hard work. The three new BOT would be Mitten Doshi, Nipa Turakhia and Apurva Shah. All three accepted three-year-terms. Their positions were approved by the general membership.
- The floor was then opened for questions.
 - a. A suggestion by Kamna Jain was agreed to by the general membership to send the Jain Times only electronically unless there was a specific request. Letters will be sent to the membership informing them of this decision.

- b. Chaggan Bafna asked if there were any new members to be introduced. There were none.
- c. Deepak Pokharna suggested we start the GBM with three navokar mantras, and Minesh Shah said we start the day with the 3 navokar mantras.

The General Body Meeting was adjourned at about 5:00 PM
