

**Minutes of the Meeting of General Body
Jain Center of America
Sunday, December 18, 2005**

Venue: Art Gallery of Jain Center at 43-11 Ithaca Street, Elmhurst, NY 11373

The agenda for the General Body Meeting was as below:

- Prayer.
- Introduction of newly elected Members of BOT and EC
- Activities of JCA - Chairman / President
- Annual Report - Secretary / Administrator
- Financial Statement for the year 2004/2005 - Comptroller / Treasurer
- Decision about selling/retaining 45-22 74th Street, Elmhurst, NY 11373
- Budget for year 2006 for its approval by the General Body - Comptroller of Accounts
- Any other matter related to JCA, approved for discussion by the chair

The meeting commenced at 1.37 PM in absence of quorum after waiting for 30 minutes as per constitution. There were about 100-120 members present.

The meeting was commenced with chanting of Navkar Mantra

Chairman Dr. Mukhtyar opened the meeting. He in general gave the report of major activities of our Jain Center for the year 2005. He also gave the report of Pratihtha Mahotsav Ceremony of June 10, 2005 to June 18, 2005. He thanked leaders of all tradition for their cooperation during the Pratihtha Mahotsav and its successful Celebration.

He in particular thanked followings for their cooperation and their help in success of the Pratihtha Mahotsav:

- Pratihtha Committee and all Co-Conveners of the Committee
- All other committees and their conveners for their tireless efforts
- Dr. Rajnikant Shah for his tremendous efforts for completion of construction of Building in time for Pratihtha
- Shri Amulbhai Shah for successfully managing Nagarpraves and Jalyatra Processions.
- Shri Naveen Shah and Shri K. K. Mehta for hosting fund raising gathering
- Shri Bachubhai Mehta and Dr. Mukesh Ajamera for their personal advise
- All the dignitaries for their presence and blessings during the Pratihtha Mahotsav
- All Members and Community in general for their understanding and tolerance of space problem
- Authorities of Hindu Temple and St. Johns University for their cooperation during our functions at their facilities

He requested all to pardon BOT, EC, Pratihtha Management Team and him for any ill feelings during the year and the Pratihtha Mahotsav by requesting "Michhami Dukkadam".

In absence of president Shri Hemant Shah, Shri Dinesh Gandhi gave a brief report of JCA activities of the year 2005.

Administrative Shri Naresh T. Shah gave a brief annual report of the JCA activities for the year 2005.

Financial Comptroller of Accounts Shri R. U. Shah and Treasurer Shri Pathik Shah presented financial Statement of JCA for the year 2004. They explained different categories of income & expenses in the statement. The statement is prepared on cash basis and hence no receivable are reported in the statement. He also stated that all the details are attached with the statement. He mentioned that a compiled statement with all details is with Mr. Ashvin Mehta – Manager - JCA at temple and it is open for public viewing by members.

He thanked Mr. K. K. Mehta – CPA for his services for preparing and certifying the financial statement.

Some of the members had some minor questions in the financial statement, which were explained by Mr. R. U. Shah and Mr. Pathik Shah.

General Body approved the financial statement for the year 2004 at about 2.30 PM.

Vice Chairman Shri Jawahar Shetti gave a brief report on the status of the building at 45-22 74th Street, Elmhurst, NY 11373. In view of limited use of the building and to avoid JCA involvement in real estate business, it was proposed by many members to sell the property. Some of the members wanted to club the sale of this property with buying the properties at the rare of our Ithaca Street temple. As there was no proposal in agenda for purchase of the property at rare it was decided not to combine two different proposals together to avoid buy or sale of any one property. As there was unending discussion, it was decided to put the proposal of selling the above property for vote.

It was decided by majority vote to sell the property at 45-22 74th Street, Elmhurst, NY 11373 at about 3.40 PM.

Shri R. U. Shah and Shri Pathik Shah presented a budget for the year 2006 and approx. actual expenditure for the year 2005 for comparison.

After some discussions, Questions and answers, in view of the new big facility and increased activities the budget was approved at about 4.10 PM.

On the completion of above business the floor was open to suggestions from members for day-to-day operation of the temple.

It was decided to provide health insurance to JCA employees and not to pay in cash in lieu of health insurance as being done now for our safety.

There was discussion about cleanliness of the temple area. It was decided that Pujari or our own members should clean the Gabhara area of all temples. Janitorial service or employed cleaner should not be used for this area.

GB Meeting adjourned at 4.45 PM with chanting of Manglik and Khamemi savve Jiva ----.