

HINDU MANDIR SOCIETY OF SAN DIEGO
SHRI MANDIR
9474 Black Mountain Rd, #L, San Diego, CA 92126

BOARD OF TRUSTEE (BOT) ELECTIONS - Year 2023
ABSENTEE BALLOT FORM

Instructions

1. Shri Mandir's General Body Meeting and the elections will be held on Sunday, **April 02, 2023 at 2.00 PM** at Shri Mandir.
2. A total of three (3) BOT seats are open and all three are for 6 years term. As per the Constitution, one BOT seat is for Grand Patron Life Member (GPLM) category for which the members only in that category can apply and the other two BOT seats are for General Life Member category for which the members in the Patron Life Member (PLM) and Life Member (LM) category can apply.
3. The Nomination Committee (NC) received only one nomination from the GPLM category for the one open seat in that category and so that candidate gets elected without a contest. Since the GPLM category open BOT seat is going to be filled by a GPLM candidate, the GPLM members cannot vote for the other two open BOT seats.
4. The NC received a total of three (3) nominations for 2 open BOT seats. Hence the PLM and LM Members will vote to elect the two candidates.
5. As per the constitution, the NC is sending out this absentee voting ballot for members who cannot attend the annual general body meeting in-person on **Sunday, April 2nd, 2023**. By submitting this ballot, you are authorizing the BOT to include you for meeting quorum purposes. It is suggested to submit the absentee ballot even if you are planning to attend the GBM because if your plan changes, and you cannot attend the GBM, your vote is already there.
6. The top two candidates who get the most votes will become BOT members.
7. You have to be a Life Member to be able to vote. Only one vote per family. (See Page 2 for various membership categories)
8. The Candidates have submitted a brief profile of themselves which is on page 3.
9. This ballot form can also be found in our Shri Mandir website **www.shrimandirsandiego.org** under the service tab, in the forms folder.
10. Please print the page # 2 of this ballot form, mark up to **2 boxes** for electing the two candidates on page # 2, provide your cell phone number and your e-mail address, sign and date the form; and send the completed Page # 2 through email (preferred method) or drop off the hard copy in the box at Mandir main hall.
11. Completed page #2 must be submitted by **Sunday, March 19th, 2023, Last day for absentee voting.**

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Mark up-to two boxes: Ballot is invalid if more than 2 boxes are marked.

Raj Aggarwal

Sampath G. Angappan

Narendra Bhardwaj

I certify that I am qualified to vote as per the instructions. My name and details are:

Your Name (Please Print): _____

Cell Phone #: _____ E-Mail: _____

Signature in Full: _____ Date: _____

Forms can be submitted either by:

- Scanning or taking a clear readable cell-phone picture of this completed page #2 and e-mailing to **shrimandirnominaton2023@gmail.com** (preferred method) or
- Dropping off the completed ballots (this page 2) in the Mandir box specially marked “Year 2023 Absentee ballot forms”.
- Since the NC has to verify the membership, your cell phone number and email ID are a must for the drop off ballots. Drop off ballots without the cell phone number and email address ballot will be rejected.
- The nomination committee may contact you to confirm or if any error or omission on the form by email or phone call, so you must provide the cell phone number.
- **Absentee ballots will not be accepted after Sunday, March 19th, 2023 or at the general body meeting.** For those voting in-person at the general body meeting, there will be in-person vote ballots available at the meeting.
- As per Shri Mandir Constitution and Bylaws, only members can vote, and only one vote per family. Since the GPLM’s one open BOT seat will be filled by the one GPLM candidate (without contest), GPLM members cannot vote for the other two BOT seats using this ballot. The member categories are:
 - i. Life member (LM)
 - ii. Patron Life member (PLM)
 - iii. Grand Patron Life Member (GPLM)
 - iv. Platinum Life Member (PLM)
 - v. Honorary Life Member (HLM)

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Nomination Committee (NC) Members:

Nimisha Amin - nimishajamin@gmail.com

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Jayana Patel - drpcoronado@gmail.com

Kanti Patel - kantigd@gmail.com

Rohit Saraiya - Rosaraiya@gmail.com

Feel free to contact any of the NC members if you have any questions:

Candidates profile:

Raj Aggarwal

My name is Raj Aggarwal. My wife Urmil & I moved to Carlsbad in 2016 and have volunteered for Shri Mandir ever since.

Prior experience of over 35 years includes running Week long Youth Camp in Minnesota for over 12 years. In Iowa, as founding members we brought the community together to buy a property to get the temple established, bought land for a future temple.

For the last 6 years, I have been an EC member, last 2 as President. We accomplished a lot. However, believe we can do more, can help BOT move forward. I seek your vote.

Sampath Angappan:

I have lived in SD for over 30 years and watched my kids grow up in this very community. It's my time to give back to the community that has done so much for me. I have not only been an avid volunteer in the temple community for 24 years or so, but I also have many connections in the diverse Indian-American community here in SD. I am well aware of the responsibilities that come with this position and have an extensive background in this type of work. For example, I worked as the president and a member of the executive board of the San Diego Tamil Sangam.

Narender Bhardwaj

My name is Narender Bhardwaj. I relocated from England to San Diego in 1990. I've been a part of Shri Mandir since its inception.

I did my schooling from England, and completed my Master's Degree from Cranfield University, UK. I am an aerospace engineer by profession. I've been involved with the Hindu community in various volunteer positions for nearly 3 decades. And for the last 2 years I've served the Mandir as the secretary of its Executive committee.

I feel I'll be able to serve the Mandir better as a member of the board of trustee