



2024-2026 MEMBERS

SHWETA AGHRAHARI, SUMITRA SHAKYA, NIROJ KOIRALA, SANJIB PHUYAL, SAMEER SHRESTHA

President	Vice President	General Secretary	Treasurer	PR Director
Pradip Sthapit	Punam Lama	Bishwas Bhattarai	Bibhuti Khatiwada	Aabriti Pandey

The INA Executive Board convened its monthly meeting for June 2025 on June 21 at the Waukee Public Library.

1. Call to Order
Pradip Sthapit formally called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM.
2. Roll Call
Meeting attendees included Aabriti Pandey (via Zoom), Bishwas Bhattarai, Niroj Koirala, Pradip Sthapit, Punam Lama, Sameer Shrestha, Shweta Aghrahari and Sumitra Shakya.
3. Approval of previous minutes
The minutes from the previous meeting were not approved and are scheduled for review and approval during the next board meeting.
4. Treasurer's Update
The treasurer reported the following financial activity and accounts balance:
A \$1,000 donation was made by RIVA, in recognition of INA's participation in the measles awareness campaign.
An additional, a total of \$1,200 donation was contributed by Sandhya Pika and matched by her employer.
As of the meeting date, the account balances are as follows:
 - a. General Checking account: \$11,208
 - b. STEM Checking account: \$4,853
 - c. CD's balance: \$10,129
5. INA Summer Picnic Update
Per the treasurer's report:
Total Revenue: \$1,991
Total Expenses: \$1,852

Bishwas will send out a mass thank-you message to the community via the viber app, including the income and expenses summary.

Recommendations for Future Planning

Based on community feedback and participant experiences, the following suggestions were proposed:

- Establish a headcount cut-off date one week prior to the picnic to improve planning accuracy.
 - Expand dinner cooking stations to four in order to maintain the scheduled dinner time.
 - Communicate that snacks will not be guaranteed after 4:00 PM to manage expectations.
 - Provide food netting and insect repellent to enhance food safety and guest comfort.
 - Increase quantities of high-demand items such as pasta, corn, and pork.
 - Substitute hot dogs with alternative options to reduce waste and improve consumption.
 - Reevaluate pricing for children and undergraduate university students to ensure fairness and accessibility.
6. Update INA items/resources and find volunteer for storage
Pradip will create spreadsheets to document INA-owned items, including cultural and decorative assets. These spreadsheets will be stored in the shared drive to facilitate tracking of item ownership and current custodianship.
 7. INA Community Volunteering - Meals from Heartland during kids summer break
Saturday, 2nd August has been proposed as the tentative date for this event, pending confirmation of availability.
 8. INA Website: Add Connect with us links
Niroj will add facebook and Instagram.
 9. Dashain Hall booking for Oct 11, 2025.
Poonam Lama will coordinate with Kapil Limbu to reserve Urbandale Senior Center for this event.
 10. Unfinished Business.
Bishwas proposed to felicitate the following community members during Dashain/Tihar event.
Sanjay Shrestha - Extraordinary contribution to the community
Bharabi Pandit - Extraordinary new community member.
 11. New Business
September 27th has been proposed as the tentative date for Durga Puja. Punam Lama will check with the mandir management/Pandit jee to finalize the date.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted.

Bishwas Bhattarai