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# Non-Resident Nepali Association National Coordination Council - USA



EIN# 62-1850599

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## NRNA NCC USA Executive Board (2023-2025) 1<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting

Date: August 9, 2023

**Chair By:** President, Dr Arjun Banjade

**Moderated By:** General Secretary, Ram Hari Adhikari

**Note Taker:** Secretary, Dipak Sapkota & Secretary (Women), Shanti Poudel

**Meeting Date:** July 31, 2023

**Meeting Time:** 9:00 AM

**Venue:** Sheraton Suites Chicago O'Hare

**Address:** 6501 Mannheim Road Rosemont, Illinois 60018

Attendance and constituting a quorum were:

S.N.	Name	Designation	Attend
1.	Dr Arjun Banjade	President	Yes
2.	Bikash Upreti	Senior Vice President	Yes
3.	Bhanu Kharel	Vice President	Yes
4.	Prem Tamang	Vice President	Yes
5.	Gyanendra Gurung	Vice President	Yes
6.	Netra Pandey	Vice President	Yes
7.	Sunita Sapkota Kandel	Women Vice President	No
8.	Anup Khanal	Youth Vice President	Yes
9.	Ram Hari Adhikari	General Secretary	Yes
10.	Dipak Sapkota	Secretary	Yes
11.	Shanti Poudyal	Secretary (Women)	Yes
12.	Saroj Sigdel	Treasurer	Yes
13.	Diwakar Pande	Joint-Treasurer	Yes
14.	Tej Poudel	Youth Coordinator	Yes
15.	Sunita Khatri	Women Coordinator	Yes
16.	Dr. Gangadhar Acharya	Board of Director	No
17.	Durga Tiwari	Board of Director	Yes
18.	Bal Rai	Board of Director	No
19.	Rita Devi Pradhan	Board of Director	Yes
20.	Bishnu Baral	Board of Director	Yes
21.	Srijana Sharma	Board of Director	No



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22.	Nima Sherpa	Board of Director	No
23.	Saraswati Sharma	Board of Director	No
24.	Basudev Bhatt	Board of Director	Yes
25.	Laxman Darlamee	Board of Director	No
26.	Mohan Kusari	Board of Director	Yes
27.	Nabaraj Nyaupane	Board of Director	Yes
28.	Ang T Sherpa	Northeast	Yes
29.	Bishnu Khatri	West	No
30.	Mahendra Basnet	Midwest	No
31.	Mohan Neupane	South	Yes
32.	Hari Prasad Ojha	Chapter President-CALIFORNIA	No
33.	Prakash Poudel	Chapter President-COLORADO	No
34.	Surendra Laudari	Chapter President-FLORIDA	No
35.	Kapil Sharan Wagle	Chapter President-GEORGIA	Yes
36.	Balaram Pokhrel	Chapter President-ILLINOIS	No
37.	Shivahari Khatri	Chapter President-INDIANA	No
38.	Uttam Basnet	Chapter President-KANSAS	No
39.	Sundarmani Poudel	Chapter President-KENTUCKY	Yes
40.	Kul Prasad Gurung	Chapter President-MARYLAND	No
41.	Prachanda Shrestha	Chapter President-MASSACHUSETTS	Yes
42.	Santosh Subedi	Chapter President-MICHIGAN	No
43.	Durga Pyakurel	Chapter President-NEVADA	No
44.	Kamal Dhungana	Chapter President-NEW HAMPSHIRE	No
45.	Bhakta Gurung	Chapter President-NEW JERSEY	Yes
46.	Rajendra Dahal	Chapter President-NEW MEXICO	No
47.	Heman Bahadur Malla	Chapter President-NEW YORK	Yes
48.	Sudan Thapa	Chapter President-NORTH CAROLINA	No
49.	Hota Bishowkarma	Chapter President-OHIO	No
50.	Jangbu Sherpa	Chapter President-OREGON	No
51.	Jaindra Lama	Chapter President-PENNSYLVANIA	Yes
52.	Dipendra Guragain	Chapter President-TEXAS	Yes
53.	Surya Bastakoti	Chapter President-UTAH	Yes
54.	Bishal Karki	Chapter President-VIRGINIA	No
55.	Bashu Dev Prasai	Chapter President-WASHINGTON	No
56.	Raj Kumar Hamal	Chapter President-WISCONSIN	No



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## Terms of Reference:

- Roll called by General Secretary
- Meeting opening remarks by President
- Discussion on agendas

## Agendas:

- 1.1 Introduction and welcome.
- 1.2 Vote of thanks.
- 1.3 Overview of departments/taskforces and committees.
- 1.4 Updates of regular and life members' profiles and other issues encountered in the election.
- 1.5 Financial management.
- 1.6 Discussion on plans and strategies
- 1.7 Appointment of patrons

## Discussion over Agendas:

### 1.1 Introduction and Welcome

Chairperson, Dr. Arjun Banjade, extended a warm welcome to all attendees and commenced the meeting by acknowledging the significant contributions of the outgoing officials.

### 1.2 Vote of Thanks

The newly elected NRNA NCC USA Executive Board passed a vote of thanks to the outgoing Executive Board, Election Commission, advisors, Chapter Committees, 12th AGM and Oath Ceremony preparation committee, journalists, artists, local Nepali organizations, and all the NRNs residing in the USA for their dedicated and selfless efforts towards the NRNA.

### 1.3 Overview of Departments/Taskforces and Committees

The President requested the Senior Vice President and Vice Presidents to review the current bylaws, discuss the existing departments, and suggest which departments each VP would like to lead. According to the existing bylaws, some departments are assigned to specific VP/SrVP by default. The President also requested them to consider the formation of potential task forces and identify suitable individuals to serve in those task forces.

### 1.4 Updates of Regular Members and Life Members Profiles and Other Issues Encountered in Election





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The President requested the Senior VP, General Secretary, and Treasurer to review the current issues faced by regular members and life members who were unable to participate in the current election for various reasons. The President asked them to analyze the data, identify the root cause, and present a proper solution to address these issues. This includes:

- All members who have paid the membership fees but whose profiles were not updated in the MIS system.
- Life members whose profiles were not updated in the MIS system.
- All members whose profiles were updated and received a voting link but were unable to vote due to face verification issues.

## 1.5 Financial Management

The decision was made to change the names on the NRNA NCC USA bank accounts from former President Mr. Buddi Subedi and Treasurer Rajeev Shrestha to current President Dr. Arjun Banjade and Treasurer Saroj Sigdel. Senior Vice-President Bikash Upreti, Treasurer Saroj Sigdel, and Joint Treasurer Diwakar Pande have been assigned to verify and update the details of various chapter bank accounts within the next two weeks.

## 1.6 Discussion on Future Plans and Strategies

The President emphasized the need for a strategic plan to guide the organization's future activities. He encouraged the Executive Board to brainstorm and propose innovative ideas that would benefit the NRN community. The President also stressed the importance of transparency, accountability, and good governance in all NRNA operations.

## 1.7 Appointment of Patrons

Since the current bylaws of NRNA NCC USA (16th amendment Bylaws Article X (81)) envision up to seven Patrons for this organization, the President proposed two names, **Mr. Suman Thapa** and **Diksha Basnet**, for the post of Patron in this meeting. The President suggested that he would consult with the entire executive team in advance before proposing the other five members for the post.

In today's meeting, the Executive Board decided to support all those agendas, including the appointment of Patrons.

The meeting was adjourned with the Chairperson, Dr. Arjun Banjade, thanking all attendees for their time and input and expressing enthusiasm for the coming term.

**Submitted by**  
Ram Hari Adhikari  
General Secretary

**Approved by**  
Dr Arjun Banjade  
President