

# ECO-Vrindaban Board Meeting Minutes 03/03/2019

**Mission Statement:** ECO-Vrindaban promotes cow protection, local agriculture, and above all, loving Krishna, as envisioned by Srila Prabhupada, ISKCON New Vrindaban's Founder-Acharya.

**Participating Directors:** Chaitanya Mangala, Jamuna Jivani (board secretary), Makara (chair), Olivia, Ranaka, and Vraja.

Participating Advisors: Kalakantha.

### 1. Ranaka's Monthly Report

## Lalita Gopi – Temple Barn

- There are currently eight cows who are giving a total of 22 gallonsof milk per day: Jaya Radhe, Usa, Surabhi, Subhadra, Lakshmi, Jamuna, Malati, and Anjali.
- Jaya Radhe gave birth to a heifer calf on February 5th, the calf has been named Puspavati. Madhu was the sire.
- There are currently three calves at the Temple Barn: Gaurangi, Jai Sri, and Puspavati.
  Gopi has been moved to Nandagram because she was playing too rough with the younger and smaller animals.
- Anandavidya has increased his butter production to 30-40 lb per week. The temple devotees are using it for ghee.
- Our alpaca, Archie, passed away.

### Ray – General Farmhand

- Moved hay to Temple Barn as needed.
- Barn and equipment maintenance
- Constructed and hung a gate at the Temple Barn.
- Acquired fencing material to help Caitanya Bhagavat with Nandagram fencing
- Spread 23 tons of limestone gravel around the Temple Barn area, and cut a ditch by the state road to divert rainwater from running down the driveway.

### Ranaka – General Manager

- Finished the 2018 financial audit with Ram Associates.
- Worked with a farmer in western Ohio to purchase two pregnant milk cows that will freshen this spring, providing needed milk for the upcoming summer season.
- The total herd count stands at 61

#### 2. North American ISKCON Farm Conference

A subcommittee consisting of Chaitanya Mangala and Olivia was formed to help with planning and organizing this conference.

WHEREAS: The ECO-V Board wishes to provide assistance to the speakers and organizers attending the conference.

RESOLVED: The Board authorizes a budget up to \$7K for travel expenses for presenters.

## 3. ECO-V Presentation for On-Site Meetings

A subcommittee has formed consisting of Makara, Ranaka, Chaitanya Mangala, and Jamuna Jivani in order to put together a presentation on ECO-V for the on-site meetings in April.

# 4. Housing for ECO-V Employees

A subcommittee consisting of Olivia, Ranaka, Jamuna Jivani, and Makara has formed for the purpose of researching housing options and locations for ECO-V staff & volunteers.

# 5. Water Filling Station Grant

WHEREAS: The ECO-V Board wishes to provide more ecologically-friendly options in New Vrindaban.

RESOLVED: In addition to the remainder of an already existing grant, the Board authorizes an additional \$1,169.45 for the purchase of a water filling station for ISKCON New Vrindaban.