**Minutes of Meeting Oct 25, 2015**

Attendees: Ganesh, Pallavi, Sreejit, Thihal, Krishnakant, Anuja

Shaaron School,

Ganesh gave update about the project. First installment of funds was towards 3 special educators. School has been able to increase student count. Hired male teacher helper for older kids. Amar provided a detailed site visit report along with receipts for the past funds transferred.

Vote to fund the next installment for the next 6 months November –April (INR 3,65,000)

Sreejit: yes, Krish – yes, Thihal – yes, ganesh – yes, Pallavi-yes, Anuja – yes

**Yes - 6**

**Funding approved by team**

**Action Items**

-Ganesh to initiate fund disbursal

- Sreejit will make a table of diff events and volunteer activities associated with that.

**WAH fundraising:**

* Sreejit/Krishna to check if it is possible to have a 2 min talk followed by 2 min Shaaron School video at Diya, temple Diwali event, Tamil Association Diwali, Thanks Giving Dinner.
* FB needs more friends. We “like” the page and then send the link to join Asha. Krishna has already tried to do this by putting Asha FB page on ISCO website.
* In December time frame we can approach tax consultants for sponsorship in return for publicity.
* In November and December we can approach more Americans for donations during Thanksgiving and Christmas

**Sponsorship**

* Jewel of Toledo was interested in donating in return for publicity.
* An Indian consultancy (in Michigan) is interested in donating. They want someone from Asha to talk and they are willing to donate. Nivedhita has more info. Sreejit will get in touch with Nivedhitha
* We need to Approach these Jewel and IT company within next week so that we can use the events we are going to as a leverage for sponsorship
* Try to find individual community members to sponsor components of the school for faster fund collection. Like 1000, 3000 etc…Some potential people who can be approached are.

Dr. Mahendra, Dr. Jindal, Dr. Gokula Murty, Dr. Raghottam, Dr. Subba Rao

* Sreejit and Thihal to get together with Dr Varanasi and make a more comprehensive list. Then they will approach them