



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 24 MAY 2025

➤ DETAILS OF MEETING

Meeting Name:	2025 Annual General Meeting	Place of Meeting:	Ananda Kutir Ashrama
Date:	Saturday, 24 May 2025	Time:	14h30

➤ ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: See Register attached

APOLOGIES: Guru Krishna, Uma Edwards (proxied Vani Mataji), Yogakirtee Meyer (proxied Vani Mataji).

QUORUM: The members present constituted a quorum.

➤ OPENING PRAYERS

Swami Parvathiananda opened the meeting with prayers.

➤ WELCOME

Bhaktipriya Uren, as Chairperson, warmly welcomed all members and thanked them for their attendance.

➤ APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE 2024 AGM

The minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 25 May 2024 were taken as read and approved by all, with no objections recorded. The minutes were approved and signed off by Bhaktipriya Uren and Vani Mataji.

➤ CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Presented by Bhaktipriya Uren: See attachment.

Maitri Makan asked for details about the proofreading that was mentioned in the report. Swami Vidyananda replied that the Chiltern Yoga Trust (Aust.), who has the copyrights on all of Swami Venkatesananda's intellectual materials, is republishing all the Daily Readings books as well as the books 'Yoga' and 'Yoga Sutras of Patanjali' in two sets. Swami Vidyananda has been requested to prepare the manuscripts for printing, which includes the proofreading. Swami Vidyananda felt that it is a great blessing to be part of this project.

Other books of Swami Venkatesananda are also earmarked for republishing. Swami Vidyananda felt that it was essential that the writings of Swami Venkatesananda be made available again for larger distribution, as Swami Venkatesananda's teachings are profound and unique. Whereas in the past his books were distributed by devotees, the aim is to now get these books printed through international publishing companies.

Swami Parvathiananda also mentioned that she is creating a book which consists of articles and quotations from Swami Venkatesananda which had appeared in the ashrama's old magazines but not appeared in any books. Alison Burton and Saskia Post are helping with this project and Etienne Moorcroft will design the cover.

➤ TREASURER'S REPORT

Dayananda Naidu, Treasurer, presented the Report for the period 1 March 2024 to 28 February 2025: see attachment. Mark Frankel asked what the current reserves are, to which Dayananda Naidu answered that there was app. R150000.

➤ APPROVAL OF ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS & APPOINTMENT OF ACCOUNTING OFFICER

The Financial Statements for the year ending 28 February 2025 were approved and signed by the Chairperson, Bhaktipriya Uren.

Vassen Bros & Associates were also reappointed as the Accounting Officer.

➤ OUTREACH REPORT

Rosemary Frith presented the 2024-25 Report: see attachment.
Kamala Wengrowe commended and thanked the Outreach Team

➤ CHILDREN OF LIGHT EDUCARE TRUST REPORT

Maitri Makan presented the COLT report: see attachment.

➤ ELECTIONS

TRUSTEES:

Swami Parvathiananda
Guru Krishna
Uma Edwards
Vivekananda Moodley

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

Bahktipriya Uren and Rosemary Frith resigned from the committee

The following members were elected to work as the Management Committee:

<i>Chairperson:</i>	Kamala Wengrowe
<i>Deputy Chairperson:</i>	Vani Mataji
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Dayananda Naidu
<i>Secretary:</i>	Swami Vidyananda
<i>Outreach Representative:</i>	Jennifer Stephens
<i>COLT Representative:</i>	Maitri Makan
<i>Member:</i>	Pramila Kooverjee
	Vithagan Rajagopaul

➤ MATTERS ARISING

1. Thanks were offered to Swami Parvathiananda, Swami Vidyananda and Residents for guidance and making the ashram possible.
2. Swami Parvathiananda thanked Maitri Makan for her sacrifice in making COLT possible.
3. Kamala Wengrowe acknowledged how much was accomplished through the year the given that this is a small ashrama with just a few residents and of course volunteers.
4. Maitri Makan thanked volunteers for making the ashrama beautiful.
5. Rosemary Frith shared students' remarks regarding the peace of the ashrama.
6. Bhaktipriya Uren thanked Swami Sivananda, Swami Venkatesananda, Swami Parvathiananda, Swami Vidyananda, trustees, committee members and friends.

➤ CLOSING PRAYERS

Swami Parvathiananda closed the meeting with prayer.

Meeting ended at 16h00.

➤ SIGNATURES

Chairperson: _____

Date: _____

Witness: _____

Date: _____