ANMF Board Meeting



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Meeting Logistics						
Meeting Date	June 14, 2021	Time	9 PM to 11:30 PM EST			
Chair/Facilitator	Bhupesh Khadka	Prepared by	Sandesh Pandit			
Purpose:	Board Meeting re: recent controversy about two Oxygen concentrators					
Location:	Online-ZOOM					

Participants					
Anil Suwal-E	Ganesh Chaudhary-P	Santosh Sapkota-E			
Bhupesh Khadka-P	Jivan Lamichhane- P	Shambhu Aryal -P			
Binod Dhungana-E	Julia Shepardson-P	Subodh Mallik- P			
Binod Khadka-P	Kalpana Shrestha-P	Sunil Sharma- P			
Bishnu Sapkota-P	Libby Wilson-A	Bhupendra Basnet- P			
Chandra Prakash Chataut-P	Marvin Brustin- A				
Dinesh Subedi-A	Prakash Thapaliya-E	E - Excused P - Present A – Absent			
Dick Katzman-E	Raju Century-P				
Dixa Dhital- E	Sandesh Pandit-P				

Minutes of ANMF Board Meeting on 6/14/2021

On 6/10/2021, pictures of a Nepali politician tweeted a photo claiming that the trust led by his brother had donated , among other things, the two oxygen concentrators donated by ANMF in his home district Nuwakot.

Press release by ANMF/Nepal dated 6/13/2021 has clarified how the controversy about the distribution of oxygen concentrators emerged and after prompt follow up on the matter, how the post on social media is corrected. The political person and their surrogates involved have

issued their rectification as in the photo. The devices that are donated have reached the intended place which was Deurali Primary Healthcare in Nuwakot and it has confirmed the receipt of those two concentrators.

ANMF @anmf_US · Jun 10 2/2 We assure you all that we will do our due diligence to get to the botto of this. We also apologize to our donors and well wishers as it has caused confusion. ANMF denounces any and all such false claims.					
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ANMF @anmf_US · Jun 10 We have been brought to our attention that the 2 oxygen Concentrators donated by ANMF have been falsely claimed by a politician to have been donated by his trust. This is entirely untrue and we are investigating about how was he able to get hold of it. 1/2					
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We take your suggestions and concerns very seriously. ANMF is an apolitical organization. The devices that are donated have reached the appropriate places. The political person and their surrogates involved have issued their rectification as in the photo.

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All of the board members present pointed out ANMF needs to be very aware of the apolitical outlook that we have maintained so far and need to be careful to stay away from any collaboration that could even remotely suggest any political affiliation. Moving forward, to make sure that we will stay away from any organization of political affiliations, following ideas are floated to be put in place the following measures

1.Put ANMF stickers inside and outside of the box for easy visibility.

2.Create a diligent and transparent paper trail by announcing the intended recipient(the organisation and the person receiving on behalf of the organisation) and the mode of transportation a few days before and get written verification from the intended recipient. This will be updated on our website for transparency. This will contain mainly four pieces of information. This should also be useful for audits.

- Announcement that the item is going out
- The mode of transportation
- Designated recipient
- Letter/Note Verification of the delivery

3. Strict maintenance of the spreadsheet of all the inventories

Next board meeting - TBD

Meeting Adjourned in 2:43:34 hours.