

NAKA, the North American Konkani Association Quarterly Update



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On behalf of the NAKA board members I would like to wish all the Konkani members in North America and around the world a Happy New Year. The NAKA board members are enthusiastic and looking forward to serving the Konkani community in a very meaningful and sustainable way.

We have a long road ahead to accomplish the ideas we have in mind. We may succeed in some and fail in the others but we want to at least make sure to put sufficient efforts towards achieving them. Our goal is to focus on a few things, define them well to appeal to the broad section of the community and also continuously seek constructive feedback from the community along the way. I would like to request your participation in this process because that is the only way we will be able to serve the maximum number of people in our community. We request the community members to reach out to any board member and provide your constructive feedback and let us know how you can help us with your skills.

We have some modest goals in our agenda. One of the main initiative is to use mynaka.org as a platform to provide many services our community can benefit from. Many of the services will be available for free and will be crowd sourced as applicable by the Konkani community around the world. In light of this we humbly request each and every North American Konkani community member to register on mynaka.org for free. There will be a few other paid options for you to select and the tiered membership level will provide the benefits accordingly. In order to accomplish our goals I have requested each board member to own a specific initiative. The board member will then appoint a committee lead to carry out the tasks for that initiative. Moving forward the board member assignment will be as follows:

Ramesh Kamath (IT infrastructure): president@mynaka.org

Ajay Rao (NAKA Endowment): vp@mynaka.org

Damodar Baliga (Treasurer): treasurer@mynaka.org

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Sudha Shenoy (Cultural): secretary@mynaka.org

I am very hopeful that you will come forward to lend your hand to help us go thru this journey together.

All the financial dealing of NAKA have been transparent and here's the statement for this quarter:

NAKA - Statement Of Accounts

Date	Description	Credit, \$	Debit, \$
11/30/16	Balance from last report	82,119.46	
2/28/17	Interest for the quarter	7.26	
2/28/17	Donations from KAOCA	930.00	
2/28/17	Web Hosting Charges		300.79
2/28/17	Final Balance:	82,755.93	

This Financial Statement does not include the final financial outcome of the 2016 Konkani Sammelan held in July in Atlanta.

Signed: **Damodar Baliga**, Treasurer, NAKA

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Ramesh Kamath
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