

Minutes of Virtual GBM 2021

The President welcomed the general body .The permission to conduct virtual Annual general body meetings from the inspector general of societies was shown

The Agenda for the meeting was displayed and approved by the general body
Proposed by: Dr.Mallikarjuna Reddy Seconded by Dr.KV Vinod

The President called the meeting to order.Obituary and one minute silence was observed for Prof V.Ravindranath one of the senior urologists of the ASU.

President's opening remarks:

President said that we are now having the second successive virtual AGM and we are eagerly waiting to experience a normal meeting in Bengaluru. He also said that we have conducted 5 council meetings, 3 webinars and workshop.The website is undergoing an update. With close to 1400 members there is increased administrative workload now on the Secretary requiring the need for good secretarial assistance in handling routine office matters. The revised ASU handbook will be released during the midterm conference of the ASU. We are planning to add protocols to be drawn for virtual meetings, policy decisions on future meetings and zero year.

The Minutes of the previous AGM were passed. The President told before passing that there was one change, Brig.Routhray who was selected for the Prof.P.B.Sivaraman endowment guest lecture expressed his inability to deliver the lecture hence we had to choose an alternative orator and Dr.Ramgopal from Miami was kind enough to accept our invitation.

Proposed by Dr.Chandramohan V Seconded by Dr.Laxman Prabhu G G
Secretary's report:

The Secretary told that the ASU continued all its regular activities in the virtual platform this year. He also said that we have conducted 2 webinars and a chairperson workshop. We have created a pool of chairpersons and speakers from the names given to us by the state representatives. We have also obtained Annual zoom membership for our Association related meetings for one year. We have also called for applicants to host ASU travelling fellowship for the year 2022 and wish we could continue the same methodology in the future.

The Secretary said that on 27th of February a council member activity was conducted by Dr. Chandramohan and on 9th of April another council member activity was conducted by Dr. Siddalingeshwar Neeli and both programmes were well conducted and attended.

The Secretary thanked Dr. Nitin Kekre, Dr. Santosh Kumar and Dr. Arbind Panda for conducting the Chairpersons medical writing workshop on 28th of May.

The Secretary on behalf of the ASU thanked Amrita Institute, Dr. Appu Thomas and Dr. Ginil Kumar for hosting the ASU state travelling fellowship 2020.

The Secretary announced the names of the travelling fellows for 2021 as received from the respective states

Tamilnadu Pondicherry Dr. Nikhil Ameerchetty Karnataka

Dr. Nipul Bansal Andrapradesh/Telangana Dr. Shanti Laxmi Darga Kerala
Dr. R. Saravanan The Secretary's report was passed

Proposed by Dr. Chandrasekar Ratkal

Seconded by Dr. Jagdeeshwar. T

Auditor's report was read out by Dr.M Shivalingiah It was passed. Proposed by Dr.Chandramohan V Seconded by Dr.Poornachandra reddy

The President announced that Dr.Milap shah from KMC Manipal is the winner of the ASU Prateeksha award for the meritorious postgraduate.

The General body approved the name of Dr.Jayaram reddy for Prof.HS.Bhat orator 2022

The General body approved the name of Dr.Ravindra Sabnis for Dr.P.B.Sivaraman endowment guest lecture 2022.

The Secretary announced the list of new members for associate membership and conversion from associate to full and the General body ratified it. The Treasurer presented the proposed Budget for the year ending 31st March 2022.

Dr.Jayaraman and Dr.Vinod asked how can we utilize the money in the Savings bank account. The Treasurer explained that we already have enough income from Fixed deposits and hence need not be placed in another fixed deposit for now. The President said we shall discuss later with the Auditor regarding this and as of now it can be maintained for the working expenses of the Association.

The ASU- Prof.H.S. Bhat midterm workshop 2021 is supposed to be conducted in Trichy and the General body asked the representatives from Trichy to update regarding that. Dr.Krishnaswamy kannan representing Trichy requested the General body to consider this as zero year and Trichy would like to host the 2022 midterm workshop physically. After much deliberation the General body agreed that the 2022 ASU Prof H.S. Bhat midterm workshop will be given to Trichy and the 2021.ASU Prof H.S. Bhat midterm workshop will be conducted by the ASU in the virtual platform.

The Finalized accounts of the SZUSICON 2020 was presented by Dr.Purnachandra Reddy.

He said the amount left over after expenditure was rupees 1,13,978. The Report on SZUSICON 2022. Dr.Girish Nelvigi said the proposed venue for the conference is M.S.Ramiah medical college and the dates are 8th, 9th and 10th of July 2022.

He also presented the tariff for the conference.

Dr.Krishnaswamy kannan expressed that the Guidelines regarding the capacity for the halls have to be adhered to and the presented halls do not seem to have the required capacity and if found inadequate the organisers should have an alternate venue. The President clarified that the approval of the venue is subject to report from the President elect after his inspection and if travel restrictions continue we can ask Dr.Shivalingiah to conduct the inspection.

It was shown that the venue for 2023 is Trivandrum and the Organising Chairperson is Dr.S Vasudevan

Organising Secretary Dr.Renu Thomas and Organising Treasurer Dr.Harris

Regarding USICON 2025 -the turn of Tamilnadu pondicherry, the President told as of now the only city that satisfies the guidelines is Chennai however Coimbatore and

Puducherry have also applied. The President told that Puducherry is unlikely to get approved as its not connected directly to the rest of the country and the venue proposed by Coimbatore is currently a covid centre and as the situation eases Dr.Mallikarjuna Reddy and Dr.Santosh kumar will have a inspection of Coimbatore venue.

The Secretary briefed on the state Annual conferences which concluded and also presented the dates for the upcoming state Annual conferences

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24th, 25th and 26th of September 2021- Virtual Kerala 2nd week of October 2021, Kottayam

Dr.Vijay Radhakrishnan representing Kerala said its Virtual meeting as of now. Karnataka 1st week of November 2021, Shimoga

Dr.Siddalingeshwar neeli representing Karnataka told that its most probably virtual Andrapradesh/Telengana 2nd week of November 2021, Vijayawada

Dr.Jagdeeshwar and Dr.Mallikarjuna Reddy told that they are planning for a physical meet as of now and will take a call as it comes closer, about a month from the conference.

Election of the office bearers

The President invited the returning officer Dr.Chandrasekar Ratkal to announce the results.

The Returning officer announced that there was only one applicant in contention, Dr.Avudaiappan. As the other applicants had withdrawn already and announced Dr.Avudaiappan.P as elected for the post of President elect 2021- 22.

The President thanked the gesture shown by Dr.Laxman Prabhu and Dr.Joseph phillipraj on withdrawing from the elections.

There were no letters from members to be discussed and there were no proposed amendments to the constitution.

The General body approved to continue with Mr.V Muthukarupan as the Auditor for the coming year.

Any other matters

Dr.Chandrasekar Ratkal requested to keep the names of Dr.R Jeyaraman and Dr.Antony Devasia in a pool to be considered for the subsequent Prof H S Bhat oration.

The President told the General body that the endowed sessions Khivraj memorial symposium

Prof P.B.Sivaraman endowment guest lecture Bangalore urological society video prize Dr.Jeyasekaran medal for ideas and Innovations ASU-NU Hospitals Bengaluru pediatric urology debate

ASU- Prateeksha award for meritorious postgraduate student Prof.V Ravindranath best podium paper prize And

MIUC travelling fellowship are subject for renewal in 2022 and suggested we shall fix an addition of amount raising the total corpus amount to 5 lakhs for a further continuation of 7 years. The General body agreed.

Members in the General body asked what can happen to the corpus amount in the event of the donor not willing to continue. Dr.Krishnaswamy kannan explained that this was already discussed in the executive council meeting in 2017 and then Treasurer in consultation with the Auditor has clarified that the amount will go into the general corpus of the ASU.

It was also suggested that in the event of a donor not willing to continue the session the ASU can invite for a new session.However adding an additional session to already existing sessions has to be decided by the Scientific and executive council of the ASU, considering the time constraints in the setting of a physical conference.

The President expressed that the executive council should formulate guidelines for the conduct of Virtual conferences and it should be included in the handbook. The General body agreed.

Dr. Ramesh said that in the event of the annual conference of the Association in 2022 becoming virtual, Bengaluru is ready to organize the virtual conference and finish their turn so that we can move forward. The General body accepted.

The President thanked the General body and adjourned the meeting.