



Indian Association of Preventive & Social Medicine (IAPSM)
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Minutes of the General Body meeting

The meeting of the General Body of IAPSM was held on 28th Feb 2012 at 5 PM at Dr R P Medical College, Tanda HP during the 39th Annual National Conference of Indian Association of PSM (IAPSM).

Meeting started with permission of the Chair.

Dr. Puneet Misra, Joint Secretary, on behalf of Secretary General Dr. Bir Singh, welcomed the gathering of the members. Dr. AK Bharadwaj and his team was thanked for organizing the conference and also for arranging the visit of His Holiness the Dalai Lama for his blessings

<u>Agenda no 1.</u>	Action taken report
<i>General Body discussions/decisions</i>	ATR of the General Body and Governing Council meeting held in Behrampur in February 2011 and mid-year Governing Council meeting held in November 2011 at Jabalpur was presented. Minutes of GC meeting at Tanda discussed and taken to GB
	Approved
<i>Action/responsibility</i>	No action needed.
<u>Agenda No 2.</u>	Constitution amendments
<i>General Body discussions/decisions</i>	Regarding the issue of giving life membership to persons other than MD (PSM), many members felt that they should not be included as full member, but they can join IAPSM as Associate member. The house agreed to discuss the issue later after getting report of constitution amendment committee consisting of Dr. VK Srivastava, Dr. Shashi Kant and Dr. Zile Singh.
	Approved.
<i>Action/responsibility</i>	Head Office, Sub committee
<u>Agenda No 3.</u>	Election for the posts of Governing council members for 2012-2013
<i>General Body discussions/decisions</i>	Dr Shashi Kant for the post of President IAPSM for the year 2012-13, Vice President – Dr. AK Bharadwaj New Executive members approved by Members were as follows:- • South – Dr. G Krishna Babu and Dr. Anil Purty • South Central - Dr. Pradeep Kasar and Dr. Sanjay Agarwal • North Central – Dr. SK Singh and Dr. CM Singh • North East – Dr. Baijayanti Baur and Dr. Subrato Baidya

	• North – Dr. Anmol Gupta and Dr. R Jain • West – Dr. VK Mathur and Dr. Chandresh Pandya Election for the Secretary General and the Chief Editor is due next year. House approved name of Dr. VK Srivastav, Lucknow, as election commissioner and Dr. TSR Sai, Tirupati and Dr Nandini / Dr DK Taneja, Delhi as other members of his team.
	Approved
Action/responsibility	Head Office / Election Commissioner
<u>Agenda No 4.</u>	Fellowships and Orations of IAPSM for 2012
General Body discussions/decisions	The Scrutiny committee for Orations and Fellowship consisted of Dr Deoki Nandan, Dr Shamim Haider, Dr CP Mishra. Fellowship: The committee recommended fellowship for 2012 to 1. Dr NK Goel, Chandigarh 2. Dr Shashi Kant – Delhi 3. Dr Puneet Misra - Delhi Dhanvantri oration was awarded to Dr. Zile Singh. For Harcharan Singh oration no nomination had been received. It was decided to extend the last date for application to 2nd October 2012.
	Approved.
Action/responsibility	Head Office / Governing Council
<u>Agenda No 5.</u>	Report of State Chapters
General Body discussions/decisions	<u>Report from State chapters for 2011-2012</u> Representatives from state chapters read their report
	Approved.
Action/responsibility	No action needed
<u>Agenda No 6.</u>	Report of Subcommittees
General Body discussions/decisions	The Epidemiology sub - committee organized a preconference workshop on 26th Feb 2012 at Tanda. Dr. Puneet Misra suggested to the house to constitute sub-committees again since the previous sub-committees were not active. The house agreed to dissolve the previous sub - committees and to start afresh. It was decided that president of the sub-committee should be IAPSM member as well as an established expert in that area. He or she has to be selected by the General Body Meeting. Thereafter, the president of the sub-committee could select 3 or 4 members. The sub-committee has to develop

	position papers in their respective fields. Dr. Shamim Haider emphasized that sub-committee should be independent and fund can be directly handed to them. There should be written guidelines for sub-committees.
	Approved.
Action/responsibility	GC/GBM
<u>Agenda No 7.</u>	Issues related to IJCM
General Body discussions/decisions	To raise funds for IJCM, it was proposed to charge processing fee for article submission. The General Body approved that the state chapter and national conference organizers should contribute 5000 every year. IJCM should charge a processing fee of Rs. 1500 for article submission from members and Rs 2500 from non members. Processing fee will not be applicable for invited articles or letter to the editor. It was emphasized that the charge for processing fee should not compromise the quality of the journal. Dr. Shashi Kant proposed endorsement as a way to get out of fund crisis which are scientifically sound and comfortable to the IAPSM. The house agreed to the point and decided to have endorsements for commercial and social issues, logo of IAPSM can be used by the brands. The social issues can be endorsed free of cost. A committee of 3 members to be formed for this purpose. The endorsement would be time bound not exceeding three years.
	Approved.
Action/responsibility	IJCM Office / Head Office
<u>Agenda No 8.</u>	Request for Goa State chapter
General Body discussions/decisions	Approved.
Action/responsibility	Head Office
<u>Agenda No 9.</u>	Request for IAPSM national conference 2012
General Body discussions/decisions	IAPSM CON for 2013 will be held at Nagpur
	Approved.
Action/responsibility	Dr Arun Humne (Nagpur)
<u>Agenda No 10.</u>	Audited accounts of IAPSM Head office
General Body discussions/decisions	Audited accounts of IAPSM Head office were presented. Approved

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Action/responsibility	No action needed
<u>Agenda No 11.</u>	Proposed budget for IAPSM
General Body discussions/decisions	Dr. Anil Goswami, Treasurer, presented budget and got it approved. Airfare assistance to join next conference by treasurer was objected by Dr Deoki Nandan. He said that he will arrange for TA/ DA of treasurer if AIIMS did not give it to Anil Goswami.
	Approved.
Action/responsibility	Head Office
<u>Agenda No 12.</u>	Any other agenda
General Body discussions/decisions	• To enhance the communication, the updated list of email of members will be developed by the state chapters and sent to HQ. • It was felt that IAPSM website need up gradation. Dr SP Agarwal of IIHMR Jaipur agreed to donate Rs 10,000 for this purpose • It was decided that two minutes of silence moment will be observed in remembrance of members that have passed away recently. • It was proposed to have a life time achievement award. This was accepted by the house and it has been decided that a specific objective eligible criteria should be developed by a committee of IAPSM members. GC will take a call on it. • Issue was raised to change the name of association. IAPSM HQ will find out the modalities to do it. • Lastly the chairperson concluded the GBM by emphasized the extraordinary contribution of Dr Bir Singh to our discipline and also to the IAPSM. A letter from GC will go to him wishing him a speedy recovery and strength to fight the disease and come back to IAPMS soon.
Action/responsibility	Head Office/ GC/GBM/Committee

Meeting ended with thanks to chair.

Minutes were recorded by Dr. Puneet Misra, Joint Secretary on behalf of Dr. Bir Singh, Secretary General IAPSM