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No. IAPSM/GC/2022/07

Date: 29/08/ 2022

Minutes of Meeting of Governing Council of IAPSM

Mid-term Governing Council (GC) meeting of IAPSM (2022-23) was held on 27th & 28th August 2022 as per the schedule in physical mode under the chairmanship of the President IAPSM Dr. Harivansh Chopra.

Date: 27th and 28th August 2022

Venue: JRD Luxury Boutique Hotel, Green Park, New Delhi.

Time: 02:00 pm to 07:30 pm on 27th August 2022 and from 09:30 am to 01:30 pm on 28th August 2022.

The agenda of the meeting was circulated by Dr. Purushottam Giri (Secretary General) to all the GC members through official Whatsapp group as well as by e-mail.

Following members attended the meeting:

Dr. Harivansh Chopra (President)

Dr. A. M. Kadri (President Elect)

Dr. Suneela Garg (Immediate Past President)

Dr. Uday Narlawar (Vice President)

Dr. Purushottam Giri (Secretary General)

Dr. Sanjay Zodpey (As Special Invitee to the meeting)

Dr. Pankaj Bhardwaj (Chief Editor, Indian Journal of Community Medicine)

Dr. Meenal Thakare (Joint Secretary)

Dr. Manish Rana (Treasurer)

1. Dr. Anmol Gupta (Executive Council Member, North zone)

2. Dr. Rakesh Bahl (Executive Council Member, North Zone)

3. Dr. Pradeep Aggarwal (Executive Council Member, North Central Zone)

4. Dr. Shaili Vyas (Executive Council Member, North Central Zone)

5. Dr. Parul Sharma (Executive Council Member, West zone)

6. Dr. Ankit M. Seth (Executive Council Member, West zone)

7. Dr. Varun Gaiki (Executive Council Member, South Zone)

8. Dr. Vishwambhar Puri Goswami, Executive Council Members, South Central Zone

9. Dr. Neelam Anupama Toppo, Executive Council Members, South Central Zone

10. Dr. Abhik sinha (Executive Council Member, East Zone)

11. Dr. Lisa Sarangi (Executive Council Member, East Zone)

Dr. Joy Bazroy (Executive Council Member, South Zone) could not attend meeting.



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President Dr. Harivansh Chopra commenced the meeting and welcomed all esteemed members. The meeting was chaired by the President Dr. Harivansh Chopra and at the outset he delivered a very inspiring short speech which encouraged the members to work hard and dedicatedly for the uplift of association. He then requested Dr. Purushottam Giri, Secretary General to facilitate agenda wise the proceedings of the meeting.

Following agenda was discussed and approved in the meeting.

Agenda 1. Approval of previous minutes of meeting and action taken / activities report.

The minutes of the first meeting of the Governing Council 2022-23 which was held on 17.04.2022 in online mode were shared with all GC members and subsequently approved by all in consensus.

Agenda 2. IAPSM Constitution amendment committee report

Report of the Constitution Amendment Committee was presented by the chairperson of the committee Dr. Rakesh Bahal.

Following suggestion were received from GC.

- For getting Fellowship in IAPSM (FIAPSM), 15 years of membership with, attendance in 5 national conferences with 10 published articles out of which 4 should be indexed is the criteria as agreed upon by all.
- Joint secretary and treasurer are the posts included amongst the GC members. Joint Editors should get points for their contribution while applying for FIAPSM.
- The type of the outreach activities to which weightage will be given while applying for FIAPSM, needs to be clearly defined and should be objectively verifiable. Conduction of national workshops will also get weightage; it will be lesser as compared to attendance in conference though.
- Different scoring system and criteria for non-faculty members is to be developed. For members other than medical college faculty, 10 publications and 10 points for field work will be considered.
- GC members and editorial board members cannot apply for FIAPSM or Oration
- Videos of speech will not be invited from the applicants.
- To finalize the experience criteria, a Zoom meeting will be carried out in September month as suggested by the President.
- Also left out points, Roles and responsibilities of the president elect and chairperson of various committees will be decided in subsequent an online meeting.



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It is decided that it may be widely circulated through various modes and the views from the members may be invited through mail, online, and state/zonal chapters, which can be compiled by Dr. Rakesh Bahal and is to be presented in the GBM at the time of discussion.

Agenda 3. Regarding tenure and number of GC members

- It is suggested by the GC member that the tenure of the GC is to be increased from one year to two-three years and should be decided by GBM. There were different opinions regarding tenure and nomenclature of president post and will be decided by GBM. Also, GC member can apply for GC member post only after a gap of one term. Maximum of three terms are to be there for all the executive/GC members. Joint Secretary and Treasurer is to be elected / nominated is to be decided by GBM. Provision of resignation from the post should be added in the constitution.
- It is proposed that there should be one post of EC member from each state having upto 250 IAPSM life members and 2 posts of EC members from the states having members upto 750 and above life members. For the smaller states a cluster of states to be created clubbing members.
- The detailed list of the IAPSM members, state wise will be shared by the treasurer before the next GC meeting so that it can be discussed properly in the GBM which is to be held in the next conference at Hyderabad.

Agenda 4. Purchase of annual subscription of zoom platform and also software for sending bulk emails to IAPSM members

- It was informed by the treasurer Dr. Manish Rana that on the behalf of the IAPSM there is one zoom account is but there is a requirement for another zoom account due so that courses, online webinars and other activities may be carried out without clash. It was decided to purchase the same, however it is to be explored that with upgrading the existing zoom account can serve the purpose, otherwise we may purchase the second account under the academia IAPSM.
- For sending bulk emails president and secretary were authorized to buy the software.



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Agenda 5. Bank account statement and financial assets by the Treasurer

The bank account statement and financial assets details about investments were presented by the treasurer Dr Manish Rana. It is decided that 10% of corpus should be kept in the current account and rest of the amount should be invested in balanced, Debt, Equity funds and fixed deposits to get better returns in equal proportions.

Agenda 6. SOPs for guiding the Organiser of National IAPSM Conference

SOPs were presented by the Vice President Dr. Uday Narlawar as a chairman of the committee meant for formulating the SOPs. The SOPs were agreed upon by all GC members and Dr. Uday Narlawar was requested to make guidelines separate from protocol and submit the same.

Agenda 7. Proposals for projects / quiz / activities from IAPSM committee / life members

It was brought into the knowledge of all GC members by the President and Secretary General that few proposals have been initiated/ submitted by IAPSM members which need to be taken into account as to what should be the methodology/ protocol for submission of proposal to IAPSM Head office and what can be the possible role or expectations from IAPSM. It is envisaged that IAPSM must encourage research and facilitate its members in different activities like research projects, workshops, quiz etc. For the same a guidelines to be laid down for the same and committee is to be constituted under chairmanship of Dr. Sanjay Zodpey to formulate protocols for different activities. The committee will include President, Secretary General, President Elect, Dr. Sanjay Zodpey, Dr. Rakesh Bahl, Dr. Ankit Seth, Dr. Abhik Sinha, Dr. Pradeep Aggarwal and Dr. Varun Gaiki. SOPs for the Research Methodology workshop formulated by Dr Rashmi will also be reviewed by the same committee.

Zydus vaccicare- polygonal Ab multicentric study can be started by Dr Manish Rana in consensus with Rabies core committee and research committee.

Agenda 8. Constitution of Election Panel

It was decided that Dr. Suneela Garg will act as Election Commissioner and will have the GC members Dr. Varun Gaiki and Dr. Ankit Seth as members assisting her throughout the election process.



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Agenda 9. Constitution of Oration and FIAPSM Committee

It is resolved that Dr. R.C. Goyal as a Chairman of the committee meant for assessment and finalization of Orations and Fellowships and he agreed for the same. It was reaffirmed that current GC members and Editorial Board members cannot apply for fellowship. Another four members of the committee is to be decided. It was resolved that they should be identified from four different regions. The same can be finalized in subsequent online GC meeting.

Agenda 10. Report of IJCM by Chief Editor

It was presented and acknowledged by all during the Editorial Board Meeting held on 27.08.2022 during pre-noon hours.

Agenda 11. SOPs of Research Methodology Course

It will be laid down by the committee constituted for making protocols for conducting research and other activities as mentioned in Agenda 7 under that banner of IAPSM.

Agenda 12. Proposal of names of life time achievement award / honorary fellowship

It was decided that 35 years after IAPSM membership, one becomes eligible for Life time achievement award. It is resolved that the process of selection of transparent, democratic and objective. One separate meeting was proposed to decide the for nomination and selection.

Agenda 13. Completion and need for compliance to UNICEF's PSEA (Prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse) assessment

IAPSM must have a Sexual Harassment Committee headed by Dr. Suneela Garg. Other members will be Dr. Meenal Thakare, Dr. Rashmi Kundapur, Dr. Neelam Toppo, Dr. Lisa Sarangi and 3 male members. Committee will hold meetings quarterly. The contact details of the chairman will be uploaded on the website of association for facilitation. Dr. Meenal Thakare will do activities required to get a nod from UNICEF for the PSEA assessment.

Agenda 14. Any other issue with permission of chair

- Treasurer Dr. Manish Rana informed all GC members that the cost reimbursed for the journey travelled by road/ personal vehicle should be raised in view of increasing cost of petrol and diesel and is fixed to Rs.16/- per kilometer.



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- Dr. Manish Rana informed about the proposals from the MIYCN committee to conduct dissemination workshop of studies on MIYCN, which could not conducted last year due to COVID-19 third wave. The date will be finalized from the month of December 2022 (preferably in second week).
- It was decided that special / supplementary issue of IJCM journal will cost 7.5 lakh. It will go through scrutiny as per protocols and will not have 50% articles from sponsors while rest of the articles will be by the life members.
- Share of State chapters for previous years are lying with national office since long. It was decided that it is to be paid proactively by head office. It is decided that all EC members may collect bank detail of the state/zonal chapter and facilitate the same. It is decided that out of total unpaid share proportional shares to be paid based on total interest received in given financial year from year 2016 to 2021 and will be divided by number of members at the end of financial year 2020-21.
- The Memorandum of understanding (MoU) between the national headquarters and state journals (affiliated to IAPSM) viz. **IJCH and Healthline journal** needs a revision. Dr. Pradeep Aggarwal has been given the responsibility to arrange a meeting in the month of September with state journals and Editor in Chief IJCM as a part of that meeting. It was decided that now larger role of the National body to be established in election procedure of editorial board of affiliated journal and same me be incorporated in the MoU.
- Changing name of the association from “Indian Association of Preventive and Social Medicine (IAPSM)” to “Indian Association of Community Medicine (IACM)” was discussed and majority of the GC members were in favour of change in name. But Dr. Pradeep Aggarwal has suggested that the word “**Preventive and Social**” hence forth read as “**Community**” can be sent to registrar of society for approval.



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- Dr. Shaili Vyas raised a suggestion that participation in different events can be invited and allowed on paid basis. This method will help in fund raising for the association. It was decided that this issue can be made a part of committee made to formulate protocols for different IAPSM events.
- Changes in the life membership certificate in the form of having year of allotting membership mentioned in it was informed to all members by the Secretary general.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the chair.

With warm regards!

Dr. Hariwansh Chopra
President IAPSM

Dr. Purushottam Giri
Secretary General