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MINUTES
MID TERM GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING OF IAPSM UP UK
[Held online on 1ST November 2020]

1. Welcome to all the members of Governing Council by Secretary
2. Observance of 1 minute silence – Condolences for Late Prof. Mohd. Zaheer [Ex Professor and Head, Community Medicine/ Ex Principal, /Ex Dean, Faculty of Medicine / Ex CMS, JNMC Aligarh]
3. Confirmation of the minutes of last General Body Meeting (GBM) held at FH Medical College, Tundla , Agra during IAPSMUPUK Conference -2019

Following points were discussed

- a. Point 5.2 Vice President: The name of Dr Sandeep Kumar, Prof. Community Medicine, UPUMS, Saifai was proposed not of Dr DS Martolia
- b. Point 7.2 A proposal was submitted by Dr. Uday Mohan, Retired Professor & Head, SPM, KGMU, Lucknow for Institution of name of ***“Prof. Uday Mohan Oration Award”*** in ***IAPSMUPUK Chapter Conference to be delivered by an Eminent/Renowned member of IAPSM. He also specified that to begin with this oration may be given to Dr. Udit Mohan, MPH. A committee was formed to explore possibility for the same***
 - a. It was brought to notice of the Governing Council that no comments have been received from the constituted committee. It was pointed out that once a Oration is instituted, it is the responsibility of Governing council to suggest the name of recipient, hence putting a clause regarding name of recipient was inappropriate. Also the amount set forth for the oration was discussed and some members were of the opinion that the amount proposed was less. It was further discussed that keeping in view of similar proposals in future a committee comprising of senior and mid level faculty under the chairmanship of President IAPSM UP UK be constituted to frame detailed guidelines with regard to initiating any award or oration in future. It was further decided, that the constituted committee members be asked for their comments by mail

- c. Point 7.2.17.2.1 Once a member has occupied the highest position such as President in the Council of IAPSMUPUK Chapter; he/she should not be allowed to contest election for a lower post.
 - a. The matter was discussed – Since all posts are to be filled by elections and if any member is willing to contribute his time for fulfilling the objectives of the association, it is better to leave it to the judgment and opinion of the members to select or reject his/her candidature. There is no such provision even in national constitution. Hence the matter be put up again in GBM for rectification
 - d. Point 7.2.4 – Word “Ex- Officio” is by virtue of position. It was pointed out that since Ex President are not current office bearers. Hence, the word be replaced with “Invited Guests” with no voting rights.
 - e. Rest all points were approved
4. Regarding Dates/ Mode of Conference and Registration Fee. -Dr Ratan Srivastava (HOD, Community Medicine, Member, Organising Committee, IAPSMUPUKCON 2020) and Dr AC Rajpurohit (Organising Secretary IAPSMCON 2020) attended the meeting on behalf of Prasad Institute of Medical Sciences.
- a. Dates for 23rd IAPSMCON 2020 i.e. 12/12/2020 & 13/12/2020 and preconference workshop on 11/12/2020 was approved
 - b. Mode of conference –a mix both Virtual and Physical gathering was approved. However it was brought to notice of organizers that it is their sole responsibility to ensure social distancing and all other precautionary measures are taken as per government guidelines and also permissions if any to be sought from local administration for physical gathering are sought well in time.
 - c. Registration tariff – It was pointed out that since the conference is also having virtual attendance, the registration tariff be revised keeping in view some recent online conferences that had free registration. Tariffs for Virtual 3 day national IAPSM conference 2021 were shared. It was however finally left to organizers to take a final call on this.
5. **Elections for Governing Council 2021-22** – As per the constitution it was decided to invite nominations for the post of **President-1/ Governing Council Members (6 UP & 3 Uttarakhand)**. Prof Najam Khalique was requested to be the Chairman of the Election Committee to which he consented. Last date for nomination and Last date for withdrawal of nomination was decided as 20th November and 30th November respectively
6. **Inviting Applications for 24th IAPSMCON 2021**- Last date of submission of letter of proposal for hosting the next conference was decided as 30th November 2020 and Last date for withdrawal of this nomination was decided as 10th December 2020.



7. **Finalization of nominations for 02 Prof. Deoki Nandan Life Time Achievement Award** – A few names were suggested by Governing Council members. After discussion and an online voting by the G.C. members, the following two names were finalized and approved

1. Prof. SK Garg
2. Prof. SK Mishra

8. **Finalization of 1 nomination for Prof. BG Prasad Oration Award** - A few names were suggested by Governing Council members. After discussion and an online voting by the G.C. members, the following name was finalized and approved.

1. Prof. Surekha Kishore

9. **Journal Related Issues:**

1. It was brought to notice of the Governing Council that a Special Issue of IJCH was brought out on COVID 19 in April 2020. Some of the members had following objections with regard to this issue
 - a. None of the members of IAPSM UP UK were informed about this forthcoming special issue via mail as has been the regular practice with all eminent journals. The President and Secretary (Ex officio member of editorial board) were also not informed about this special issue by any means. Even members of Governing council were not aware of any such issue. The lack of information regarding bringing out the issue deprived members of IAPSM UP UK from getting their papers published as was very much evident from the contents of the issue, whereas some authors even had more than 1 paper in the same issue. It was made clear that in future any such issue has to be informed to all members and must be informed to Governing council.
 - b. Dr Manish Manar – Who is not a member of the association has been made the “Assistant Managing Editor”, this is not in line with the constitution of IAPSM and IAPSM UP UK. i.e. “Any non member/ associate member is not entitled to hold any post of IAPSM or IAPSM UP UK”. It was asked to the chief editor to make immediate corrections in this regard to which he agreed.
 - c. Regarding Composition of Editorial Board- It was pointed out that as per constitution of IAPSM UP UK Point 5.4, page 8 “The name of members of the Editorial Board of IJCH shall be proposed to the Governing Council by the Chief Editor of IJCH and finally be selected after approval of the General Council for a period of 3 years. As far as possible, the members of the editorial board should be proposed in such a manner by the chief editor that they represent various sub specialities of Preventive and Social Medicine as well as different regions of UP and Uttarakhand state” However, the current



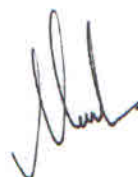
editorial board has a skewed distribution with majority of members being from Lucknow. It was suggested to chief editor to make necessary changes in this regard to which he agreed

- d. It was also pointed out that many senior faculty members were in the journal advisory board earlier, whose names have been removed. It was suggested to add the names of Life Time Achievement Awardees, Recipients of Orations and other senior IAPSM members from UP & Uttarakhand in the journal advisory board.
- e. It was also suggested that in lines with the national body, Elections be held for members of the Editorial Board of IJCH, which is not the practice at present. It was suggested that the same can be done from next term and constitutional amendments in this regard be made.

10. Any other issue with permission of Chair

- a. Transfer of accounts of IAPSM & Documents to headquarter – It was brought to notice that due to the COVID 19 lockdown and other subsequent engagements of faculty in COVID 19 duties the official records could not be shifted to the new headquarter. Efforts will be made with previous headquarter to get the documents
- b. Formation of committees – It was informed by Secretary that to further the aims and objectives of the association the following committees were formed in consultation with President, Joint Secretary and Treasurer. This is as per the constitution point 5.2.3 Duties of Office Bearers 5.2.3.1 President V “He/ She can take a decision, within the objectives of the IAPSM UP UK State Chapter in consultation with at least 3 members of Governing Council”
 - i. IEC Committee – Chairperson : Prof HS Joshi , Coordinator – Dr Medhavi Agarwal
 - ii. News Letter Committee – Editor : Prof. Seema Jain
 - iii. Blog Committee - Chairperson : Prof Bhavna Pant, Coordinator – Dr Shivam Kamthan

The committees have been discussed before as well and the work of IEC and News Letter committee has been applauded at national level as well. A few members wished to know names of the members of the committee. It was informed that the names are already mentioned in the video, news letter and blog and are in public domain. Since the slides could not be prepared at that point of time. It was decided that name of members of the different committee needs to be disclosed and hence approval of names of committee members was deferred for next meeting. The names of different committee members have been shared with all Governing Council members by mail dated 8th December 2020 by the secretary via mail.



- c. Best Thesis Award – It was decided to invite applications on the previously designed format as previous years
- d. Regarding a official whatsapp group – In the midterm GC meeting minutes 2019 adoption of current PSM UP UK WhatsApp Group as official group with defined objectives was discussed. However it has been seen that some members are still not complying with the objectives. It was suggested to have separate whatsapp groups of members with GC Members managing different groups as admin so that necessary information can be shared, also the one who shares the content can be acknowledged. It will prevent the unnecessary nuisance that often keeps happening repeatedly. One of the members suggested Telegram as it can accommodate more members. However considering the familiarity of members with Whatsapp, whatsapp groups were preferred
- e. Purchase of Zoom/ Other Software License for official use - The secretary suggested purchasing a Online platform license ZOOM / Google Meet so as to conduct online teaching learning sessions in future under aegis of IAPSM UP UK. The suggestion was well taken and it was decided to explore the explore options of software purchase in consultation with other members.
- f. Updation of website – It was decided that any content be put up on website in discussion with President and Secretary. It was suggested that conference related information should not fill the opening page of website. There should be a separate tab for upcoming events or new announcements. So that one who is interested can open and see.
- g. Proposal from Prof. SC Mohapatra regarding starting a award in name of his wife.- As discussed under point 3b - A committee comprising of senior and mid level faculty under the chairmanship of President IAPSM UP UK to be constituted to frame detailed guidelines and with regard to initiating any award or oration in future
- h. Status of transfer of fund from the host of IAPSM UPUK CON-2019 & 2018 [Amount already adjusted] - Past treasurer was requested to inform details about any pending dues, so that an official communication can be made to the concerned in this regard
- i. Registration of PAN – It was briefed by the secretary that IAPSM UP UK needs to have a separate PAN and registration. Once we are a bit free from pandemic related duties necessary efforts to be taken in this regards

11. Vote of Thanks was given by President IAPSM UP UK



(Dr SC Gupta)
President –IAPSM UP UK



(Dr. Manish Kumar Singh)
Secretary IAPSM UP UK

ATTENDANCE OF THE MEETING

The following members attended the online mid term governing council meeting of IAPSM UP UK on 1st November 2020

1. President – Prof SC Gupta
2. Immediate Past President – Prof Athar Ansari
3. Vice President –Dr Saira Mehnaz
4. Chief Editor IJCH – Dr SK Singh
5. Secreatry – Dr Manish Kumar Singh
6. Joint Secretary – Dr Renu Agarwal
7. Treasurer – Dr Arvind Kumar Singh
8. GC Member UP- Dr Jamal Masood
9. GC Member UP- Dr Pratibha Gupta
10. GC Member UP- Dr Dhananjay Singh
11. GC Member UP- Dr Amit Mohan Varshney
12. GC Member UP- Dr Shailendra Kumar Singh
13. GC Member UP- Dr Amarveer Mehta
14. GC Member Uttarakhand – Dr AK Srivastava
15. GC Member Uttarakhand – Dr Pradeep Agarwal
16. GC Member Uttarakhand – Dr Shaili Vyas

Invited Guests

1. Member Governing Council –North Central Zone IAPSM – Dr Najam Khaliq
2. Dr Ratan Srivastava – Member Organising Committee IAPSMCON 2020
3. Dr AC Raj Purohit - Organising Secretary IAPSMCON 2020



(Dr SC Gupta)

President –IAPSM UP UK



(Dr. Manish Kumar Singh)

Secretary IAPSM UP UK