

**Indian Society for Medical Statistics ,**  
**Minutes of the Governing Council (GC) Meeting, held on 31st October 2018**  
**during 36<sup>th</sup> National Annual Conference at NIMHANS, Bengaluru.**

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The Governing Council Meeting Agenda -

1. Welcome by President
2. Mourning on the demise of ISMS members:  
     Prof.T. Krishnan  
     Dr.I M S Lamba
3. Approval of minutes of the 2017 GC & GB meetings
4. Report of General Secretary
5. Report of Treasurer
6. Report of Editor
7. Report of Web co-ordinator
8. FSMS Fellowship
9. Award Committee Report
10. Nominating and Search Committee Reports
11. Update on the Society's registration
12. Travel and other costs of the Life Time Achievement Award
13. Proposal for the Annual Conferences during 2019 and 2020- Patna,  
     Mumbai, Goa, Delhi
14. Thanks to the outgoing GC members
15. Any other point with the permission of the chair
16. Vote of thanks by General Secretary

### **1. Welcome**

President, Prof. CM Pandey, welcomed the members of the GC, attending the meeting and extended a cordial welcome to the newly elected President Elect, Dr.P.Venkatesan and GC members. President also expressed sincere thanks to all outgoing members for their contributions to the activities of the Society.

### **2. Mourning on the demise of members**

The Society lost its two important members during the year 2018.

Professor T Krishnan, Past Editor and President of the Society and Dr. IMS Lamba, Past General Secretary. The GC observed two minutes silence in respect to these members and prayed for their soul to rest in peace.

Subsequently General Secretary, Prof. N Sreekumaran Nair took over agenda items one by one, as enlisted above. The General Secretary thanked the Organizing Team for hosting the 36<sup>th</sup> ISMS Annual Conference 2018.

### **3. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous GC & GB Meetings 2017**

The GB unanimously accepted and approved minutes of the GC and GB meetings, held on 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2017 respectively at SGPGIMS, Lucknow .

### **4. Report of the General Secretary**

Prof. N. Sreekumaran Nair presented report of various activities, undertaken by the Society during the year 2018. Copies of the report were also circulated among the members. Salient features of the report were - election of President Elect, planning and implementation of 2018 ISMS Conference, streamlining communications to the members, enrollment of new members, exploring location for 2019 Annual conference, planning students and young biostatisticians meet during the 2018 ISMS Conference and formation of regional groups. General Secretary also briefed about the plan of activities for 2019.

GC approved the report, presented by General Secretary.

### **5. Report of the Treasurer**

Dr. B Binukumar, Treasurer, presented the audited report of the Society for the financial year 2017-2018. Copies of the report were also circulated among the members. Further, he presented the details of various deposits and current account balance as on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018.

GC approved the report of the Treasurer.

## **6. Report of the Editor**

Dr.K. Thennarasu, ISMS Bulletin Editor, presented his report. He explained his plan for printing future issues.

## **7. Report of the Web Coordinator**

Web Coordinator, Prof. L. Jeyaseelan presented his report. He emphasized that web updating was smooth throughout the year and explained the details about the process of President Elect's election. The GC appreciated the help of Web Coordinator Prof .Jeyaseelan and his team for the smooth conduct of the election of President Elect.

## **8. FSMS fellowship**

President Prof.CM Pandey, Chair of ISMS Fellowship Committee informed the decision of FSMS Committee to award Fellowship to the following nominees:

- i) Professor .Madhulekha Bhattacharya, New Delhi.
- ii) Professor K P Singh, USA.

GC approved the above recommendations.

## **9.Report of the Awards Committee**

Prof. Arvind Pandey, Chairman of the Awards Committee could not attend the meeting. However, he prepared his recommendations (in consultation with members) and communicated these recommendations to the Secretariat. President presented the Award Committee recommendations to the Governing Council. Based on the above recommendations, names of the award winners for given below:

### **1. Smt. Suraj Kali Jain Award**

Dr. Jagathanath Krishna, RCC, Trivandrum..

### **2. Prof. B.G. Prasad Award**

No one qualified for the Award.

### **3. Prof. K.R. Sundaram Young Research Scholar Award**

Dr. Radhika K.(institution & place??) .

#### 4. Smt. Saroj Shukla Travel Scholarship

Ms.Mona Pathak (institution & place ??)

After a some deliberations, GC approved all these Award Committee recommendations.

#### 10. Report of the Nominating and Search Committee

Prof. B.L.Verma, Chairman of the Search Committee presented his report to Governing Council.

##### i. Search Committee Recommendations 2018

Names identified by the Search Committee for conferment of various awards (falling under this category)

S. no.	Name of the Award	Name of an ISMS Member, identified by the Committee	Award to be presented
1.	Lifetime Achievement Award	Professor V G Kaliaperumal Bangalore	In the year 2018
2.	Professor S K Bhattacharya Oration	Professor Abhay Indrayan NOIDA / Delhi	In the year 2019
3.	Smt. Ramrati Lalima Sahai Award	Professor D K Subbakrishna Bangalore	In the year 2019
4.	Professor A Indrayan Travel Grant	Professor Ajit Sahai, Lucknow	In the year 2018

##### ii. Recommendations of the Nominating Committee for One Post of President–Elect in 2018

This year following 3 valid nominations were received for the post of President Elect.

1. Dr V K Srivastava,  
FI's AM Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow

2. Dr S N Dwivedi  
AIIMS, New Delhi

3. Dr L Jeyaseelan  
CMC Vellore

Nominating Committee Recommendations

Committee was of the view that, a consensus candidate should be elected to the above post. Despite its best efforts, it could not be possible..

Under the above circumstances, the Nominating Committee recommended the following:

- i) It will make consistent efforts till the date of the 2018 GB Meeting, to persuade above nominees for agreeing to any one name (out of the three).If it succeeds, the single consensus candidate will be recommended for election to the above post, and
- ii) If it does not succeed in its efforts till then, the Committee recommends election on the post of the President-Elect through ballot voting.

**iii) Recommendations of the Nominating Committee**

**for 3 posts of Governing Council Member**

The Committee received 8 valid nominations against 3 vacant positions of Governing Council Member for the term: 2019-2021. Considering rules, precedence and the best interest of the Society, it recommended following 3 nominees for Governing Council Member.

1. Dr S K Singh  
KGMU, Lucknow.

2. Dr D P Singh  
Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai.

3. Dr M Kalaivani  
AIIMS, New Delhi.

After deliberations, GC approved the recommendations.

### **11. Update on the Society's registration**

Prof. V K Tiwari informed the Council regarding some procedural changes in the Delhi registration office and hence, required some letters from Secretariat to follow up the case. Council asked the Secretariat to do the needful.

### **12. Travel and other cost of Life Time Achievement Awardee**

GC opined that as per rules of the Society, the Conference Organizing Secretariat should find fund for travel cost (including local hospitality) of Life Time Achievement Awardee and this should be a precondition for accepting the Conference hosting proposal.

### **13. Proposal for the Annual Conference during 2019 and 2020 - Patna, Mumbai, Goa, Delhi.**

GC members advised to explore feasibility of Patna for 2019 Conference. About 2020 proposals, Council advised to invite formal proposal from NIMS, New Delhi and then, discuss it in the next Annual Governing Council meeting.

### **14. Proposing Thanks to the Outgoing GC members**

President thanked the members who were completing their tenure in GC and appreciated their contributions.

### **15. Any other point with the permission of the chair**

The Governing council discussed about forming a committee to take up Biostatistics faculty issues in Medical colleges across India with MCI high power committee. GC nominated the following members to form the committee and take up the issue

Prof. B L Verma, Chairman  
Prof V Srinivas

Pro R M Pandey  
Prof Ajit Sahai  
Prof Subhakrishna  
Dr.Vishnuvardhan Rao

Ex officio members

Dr. P.Venkatesan, President, ISMS  
Prof N.Sreekumaran Nair, General Secretary, ISMS

The GC members brought out a few other issues regarding Society procedures and the following recommendations were made after deliberations

1. Collect Rs.10000/ from FSMS awardees
2. Bulletin may include abstract of book reviews
3. One candidate can apply for one award only.
4. One paper can not be submitted for more than one awards in the same year
5. Prof. Ajit Sahai was entrusted to prepare list of FSMS awardees.

#### **16. Vote of thanks by General Secretary**

General Secretary proposed the vote of thanks to all the participating members of the Meeting.



President

General Secretary

Dated: 13-03-19