

Minutes of the General Body Meeting held on 13th Nov 2021 in Hall B at Hotel Babylon Capital, Raipur Chhattisgarh at 6.30 pm and reconvened for quorum at 8PM during ASOMACON-2021.

Agenda

1. Meeting called to order by President The President Prof Chintamani called the meeting to order and asked the CEO Dr UttamSoni to read out the agenda.

2. Condolences Condolences were offered to all our comrades that we lost in the preceding year by one minute silence

3. Confirmation of last EC and GBM minutes

The President asked the CEO to read out the minutes of the last GBM held at Bhubhneshwar in 2019 and executive committee meeting held on 13th June 2021 (virtually). The minutes were passed-proposed by Dr M J Paul and seconded by Dr Pooja Ramakant.

President further elaborated on the EC minutes and informed the house that ASOMA is now registered as a charitable trust in New Delhi and has a PAN and new bank account opened recently at HDFC in New Delhi .

4. Presentation of audited accounts

President Prof Chintamani informed the house that the earlier ASOMA account was at Kolkata as an AOP account as the body was not registered. Prof Chintamani re-iterated the discussion in the EC meeting held virtually on 13th June 2021 regarding the opening of new bank account at Delhi and its significance that was duly approved in the EC . He informed the house about the fact that there is a PAN number with the body now and as a registered body this is the only official account of ASOMA. It was decided during the EC meeting held in June 2021 that the Kolkata account would be closed after presentation of the audited account in the GBM during ASOMACON-2021. President asked the CEO regarding the account statement received from the Hony secretary ASOMA Dr Diptendra Sarkar . The CEO informed the house that he has received a statement (not audited) and he showed the document received by mail . Dr Uttam further confirmed that just a statement of previous bank account was delivered to him and the transactions from 2018-2019 were not audited by any chartered accountant.

Dr Sandeep Kumar congratulated the President for getting the account opened in Delhi and getting the body registered in Delhi as this usually is a challenge . Regarding the membership that would now merge with the new membership that have been admitted after the body has been registered, the house unanimously agreed.

Regarding the closure of the Kolkata account and accepting the amount in the new account Dr Sandeep was of the opinion that it will incur tax as income on the new account and being an AOP account would confer no benefits. President and CEO assured the house that the

funds from the old account would only be merged in to the new account after discussion with ASOMA chartered accountant.

The ASOMA accounts 2020-2021 were presented and passed -proposed by Dr Anurag Srivastava and seconded by Dr Pooja Ramakant.

President informed that since the opening of new account more than 90 new members have joined ASOMA and more members are keen on joining the association . The feedback regarding the ASOMA activities has been very encouraging and also the membership drive by each member would go a long way in making this body even stronger.

5.The registration of the ASOMA & further pursuits

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6.ASOMA travel fellowships

Dr Anurag Srivastava highlighted the significance of travel fellowships and volunteered to do the initial framing and planning .There was detailed discussion on ASOMA travelling and Dr Chintamani and Dr.Uttam announced about two travelling fellowships from the year 2022 onwards based on criteria to be framed by a committee comprising of Dr Anurag, Dr Sandeep Kumar, Dr M J Paul. Dr. Ashutosh Kothari confirmed to support travel fellowship and asked for more details about the level of fellowship, duration, funding and accommodation.

Dr. Chintamani added that he would have a discussion with Dr. Ismail Jatoi, Dr Vidya and other eminent global trainers for such placements . Dr Anurag offered that he could request Vedanta Medical Research foundation for Vedanta Travel Fellowship and suggested that we could have fellowships within India as well. All the GC members agreed for a short duration Travel Fellowship of 4-6 weeks every year preferably but not mandatorily for younger surgeons . It was brought out by Dr Paul that it should not only be for training in the western world, Asian countries including centres in India can serve as very useful training units . Dr Chintamani seconded and suggested that centres such as CMC Vellore, SGPGI , Tata Memorial hospitals,AIIMS, Safdarjang Hospital etc. can be explored

7. ASOMACON 2022

President asked for members to bid for the next annual conference and there was only one request that was from Jaipur. All members unanimously agreed for Jaipur . Dr Chintamani announced the dates for ASOMACON 2022 to be organised from 7-9 October 2022 at Jaipur with Dr UttamSoni as the Organizing Secretary.

8. Academic activities, CMEs, Trials, MDTs, Regional education meetings

To have regular academics, it was announced that every month MDT will be organised under ASOMA . Dr Anurag Srivastava(BALCO), Dr. Manju Singh(HOD Med College Raipur) took the lead, Dr Paul(CMC), Dr Pooja Ramakant(KGMC). Dr UttamSoni and Dr Sukriti were given the responsibility of co-ordinating with all institutions to organize the event.

Every 3 monthly, CMEs will be organised and Dr. Pooja Ramakant took the lead and offered to do the first one in march 2022

Allocating new responsibilities including Executives, Chairs and Co- Chairs.

The President while appreciating the work done by the entire executive emphasized that there was a need to expand the EC working group in order to add punch and for better functioning of ASOMA ,announced that Dr. Piyush Ranjan Mishra , the Joint Secretary will now function as “ASOMA Head Quarter Secretary” taking care of all ASOMA "Pink ribbon activities". Dr. Piyush to also take charge of ASOMA newsletter and web appearance, social visibility . Prof. SK Kapoor was appointed as the Director of Surgical Education for ASOMA. Dr Sukriti was given the responsibility to be ASOMA Co-ordinator and incharge of the ASOMA-Website including Blogs. It was unanimously approved . It was also decided to appoint an office secretary to assist all these activities as there has been none since the earlier office secretary had completed the tenure.

9. Any other matter with permission of chairDr. Anurag Srivastava and Dr. SandeepKumar volunteered to conduct research trials and multicentric collaborative studies. This was seconded by Dr. Paul and Dr.SwagatBrahamchariand it was suggested to have ASOMA guidelines not only for cancer but also for benign breast disorders.

President once again expressed and wanted to put on record his great appreciation for the organizing team of ASOMACON-2021 for putting up an outstanding show under the guidance of their patron and Director Prof Anurag Srivastava, Organizing secretary Dr Jayesh(both very active ASOMA members). With more than 1000 registrations and more than 200 delegates physically attending the conference it truly was a landmark congress. With more than 60 international faculty from ESSO, Central European consortium on breast cancer, American College of Surgeons and eminent faculty from almost every prominent institution from country the academics were overwhelmingly rich and rewarding. The representation from Bangladesh, Pakistan, Oman, Africa, Egypt , Russia, Europe , UK, USA etc. made it very representative , global yet very **Asian**. The inauguration ceremony received kudos from all over and participation from ASOMA including the President, Vice Presidents, CEO and almost all executives in spite of this being Covid times was greatly appreciated. The hallmark of the inauguration was speech by Shri Anil Agarwal (Chairman of Vedanta Resources) and Mrs. Jyoti Agarwal (Chairperson Balco Medical Centre), Dr. Chintamani, Dr Adil and Dr. Anurag Srivastava (Director, BALCO)

Meeting closed at 9.30 pm with concluding remarks from the President.

