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Minutes of the Twenty Ninth Meeting of the General Body of the Indian Cryogenics Council (ICC) held at the University of Hyderabad , Hyderabad, During NSC-25 on December 8, 2014

The General Body (GB) of the ICC met on December 8, 2014 afternoon at the University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad. This coincided with the 25th National Symposium on Cryogenics (NSC-25). The Meeting was chaired by Dr. R.K.Bhandari, President ICC and was attended by members and NSC-25 delegates as invitees.

Dr. R.K.Bhandari initiated the proceedings by welcoming the members of ICC and the participants of Twenty Fifth National Symposium on Cryogenics. He placed before the house the minutes of the previous GB held on January 23, 2013 at Gandhinagar. The same was confirmed unanimously by the GB.

Dr R.K.Bhandari invited Prof R Singh, chairman of NSC-25 to present a report on NSC-25. Prof R. Singh briefed the members about the no. of participants expected, papers to be presented and the scientific programme of the symposium. He also thanked ICC for having given the opportunity to him for hosting NSC-25 at Hyderabad University.

Mr. Subimal Saha, Secretary (Technical) was then requested to present the activity of the registered office at Kolkata. He informed that action has been initiated to obtain permanent income tax exemption certificate with the help from Jadavpur University. He also informed that the task of getting corrections made in the PAN CARD has been completed. He also informed that a two-day's workshop on LHeP-CSA was organized at VECC.

Dr R.K.Bhandari then invited Dr. T. S Datta, Secretary (Administration) to present the activity of Delhi Office. Dr. Datta made a detailed Power Point Presentation on the activities of the ICC and the highlights are:-

- 1. The number of Life members has increased by 52 since January 2013. Thus the total new members since 2006 stands at 270 in addition to 331 old members. GB approved the list of new members.
- 2. The closing balance as on 31.03.2012 (as presented in last GBM) was Rs. 34,57,843. The closing balance on 31.3.2013 and 31.03.2014 was Rs. 36,94,263 and Rs. 40,73,29, out of which an amount of Rs. 10.00 Lakhs was kept in FD. He further informed that the organizers of NSC 24 (held at Ahmadabad), had contributed an amount of 19.60 lakhs. Thus the closing balance as on the day (8th Dec. 2014) stood at 62.00 lakhs. GB expressed its appreciation and congratulated the NSC 24 Organizers to achieve this feat. GB approved the audited statements of accounts for last 2 years, that is, till 31 March 2014. GB also suggested that ICC should put more money in Bank Fixed Deposit (FD) to earn little more interest.
- 3. Dr R G Sharma, Chief Editor of Indian Journal of Cryogenics (IJC) informed the members about the publications of Volume 39 (2014) of the Journal, Part A of the NSC 24 proceedings. He informed the members that the publication of Vol 40 (2015) is in

press and expected to be out by Feb 2015. He also informed the august audience about the on-line publication of the IJC using the services of "Indian Journals. Com". Members welcomed this effort. There were many suggestions from the members on quality improvement, review procedure etc.

4. GB was also informed about the life time Achievement Awards presented to three distinguished Scientists during the inauguration session the same day. The GB was also informed about a Symposium Workshop was also held during this period organized by ICC and ICC Zones. T S Datta informed about the decision of ICEC board to host the Event ICEC 26- ICMC 2016 in Delhi during March 7-11, 2016. He requested all GB members for their support & cooperation to organize this prestigious mega event in Delhi. Members' response was inspiring.

After the activity presentation, session was open for discussions and following decisions were taken

- 1. ICC Fellow: Dr R K Bhandari initiated the discussion on the election of Fellows (ICC) as per the decision of the earlier GB. To clear the backlog a list of 34 elected Fellows-2014, (list attached) was displayed. GB approved the list.
- 2. NSC-26: As per our convention of holding NSC by rotating among the four zones the next NSC-26 should be in East Zone in 2016. Since ICEC 26 is being organized in Delhi during 2016, majority of the members favoured to postpone it to 2017 during February-March. IIT. Kharagpur and VECC (Kolkata) both were interested to host NSC-26. After lot of discussion, it was decided that VECC, Kolkata should host NSC-26.
- 3. Considering the International event of ICEC / ICMC in March 2016, GB approved the extension of present EC for one year that is till March 2016.
- 4. At the same time, EC had decided to have the election/nomination process started for the next term and accordingly EC appointed Mr. R S Meena from NPL as returning officer for the election of EC for next term (2016-2018). The returning officer informed the gathering that he did not receive nomination / alternate names other than the nominations made by the EC, from any of the Members. Thus he declared the members nominated by EC as Elected to the new EC. GB approved the list of elected members of EC for 2016-2018 (list attached) and welcomed the new Executive Council.
- 5. GB also approved the publication of Annual report of ICC

The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to Prof. R Singh, and his team for having organized a very successful National Symposium on Cryogenics (NSC-25)

GB meeting came to an end and the members ICC and others in attendance thanked the chair.

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