

## Indian Association of Preventive & Social Medicine (IAPSM) Centre for Community Medicine All India Institute of Medical Sciences New Delhi – 110 029

## Minutes of the Mid Year Governing Council meeting on 23rd October 2010 at AHMS New Delhi

The mid year meeting of the Governing Council of IAPSM was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2010 at 10 am at Centre for Community Medicine, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.

## The following members attended:

- 1. President: Dr Sunder Lal (Haryana)
- 2. Vice President: Dr Shamim Haider (Ranchi)
- 3. Secretary General: Dr Bir Singh (Delhi) for 2010-2013
- 4. Immediate Past President: Dr VK Srivastav (UP)
- 5. Editor IJCM: Dr Deoki Nandan (Delhi) for 2010-2013 (ex-Officio)
- 6. Dr. Anmol Gupta (H.P.)
- 7. Dr Ajit Sahai (Puducherry)
- 8. Dr Neeraj Bedi (MP),
- 9. Dr Neelam Toppo (Chattisgarh)
- 10. Dr Shashi Kant (Delhi)
- 11. Dr Mohan Doibale (Maharashtra)
- 12. Dr C.S. Pandav (special invitee as a representative of IPHA & Prof HOD of CCM, AIIMS)
- 13. Jt. Secretary: Dr. N. Baridalyne( New Delhi)
- 14. Treasurer: Dr. Anil Goswami (New Delhi)

Other GC members who could not be present in the meeting were: Dr. BMS Vashist (Haryana) Dr. A.B. Biswas (WB); Dr RM Tripathy (Orissa) Dr J Ravi Kumar (AP) Dr DK Yadav (Bihar) Dr Devang Raval (Gujarat)

All members appreciated the fact that for the first time in the history of IAPSM, a mid year Governing Council meeting was convened.

Points discussed in the meeting were:

Agenda no 1.  Action taken report (ATR) according to the minutes of the General Council and Governing Council meeting held in Ranchi in February 2010.	ATR of the General Council and Governing Council meeting held in Ranchi in February 2010 was approved by all. No action needed.
Action/responsibility	No action needed

Agenda No 2.  Two Nominations received for Dhanvantari Oration:  1. Dr Vikas Desai, Surat, Gujarat.  2. Dr Ashok Bhardwaj, HP	Nomination forms were scored according to the objective criteria prepared.  Dr Ashok Bhardwaj was selected for the Dhanvantari Oration for the year 2011.
Action/responsibility	Head Office
Agenda no 3.  Update on IAPSMCON 2011  to be held at Berhampur Orissa.	Dr R.M.Tripathy who could not attend the GC meeting sent the following update of the conference preparations by email.  "The National Conference IAPSMCON 2011 will be held at MKCG Medical College, Berhampur, Orissa from 22 <sup>nd</sup> to 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2011 (Tue, Wed, Thus) with a pre-conference CME to be conducted on 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb 2011(Mon)."  The website of the conference is <a href="https://www.iapsmcon2011.mkcg.org">www.iapsmcon2011.mkcg.org</a> Dr Shamim Haider has to hand over Rs 25,000/- as seed money for the next conference.
Action/responsibility	Head Office /Dr R.M.Tripathy
	It was decided that:
Agenda no 4.  Holding of next election for Governing Council members	<ol> <li>Elections for the Head Office of IAPSM and IJCM which are to be held once in <i>every three years</i> will be held by <i>postal ballot</i>. Whereas election of members of the Governing Council which is held annually will be held during the National Conferences. It was suggested that the possibility of online voting could be explored for subsequent elections.</li> <li>Announcement for next elections of the Governing Council Members (2011-2012) will be published in the forthcoming issues of IJCM. Elections will be held during the IAPSM Conference at Berhampur, Orissa.</li> <li>During the elections for GC members, it was suggested that members can vote only for their own respective Zonal representatives.</li> </ol>

	It was clarified that IAPSM is an association of "Teachers of
Agenda no 5.  Inclusion of members from specialties besides Community Medicine/Public Health	Community Medicine/PSM". Therefore those individuals who are practicing public health but are not teachers/faculty members of the subject are not eligible to become members of IAPSM.
Action/responsibility	Head Office
Agenda no 6.  Opinion poll for changing the name of our Specialty	An opinion poll was posted in the website regarding a consensus for the name of our specialty. So far only 26 members responded.  It was suggested that the announcement will be again printed in the next issues of IJCM.
	(Analysis could be made according to the years of experience of the person)
Action/responsibility	Head Office /IJCM
Agenda no 7.  Constitution amendments	It was decided that all points /suggestions so far from members about constitution amendments will be incorporated and circulated to al members by email.
Action/responsibility	Head Office
Agenda no 8.  Issues related to Indian Journal of	of Community Medicine
a. Editorial board	<ol> <li>Editorial Board members proposed by the IJCM Office were approved. Regional representation should be ensured.</li> <li>It was suggested that a meeting of the Editorial Board should be held once in 6 months.</li> <li>It was also suggested that the mid-year Governing Council meeting of IAPSM and Editorial Board meeting can be held on the same day for convenience and logistic reasons.</li> </ol>
b. Printing of minutes and notices	It was brought to the attention of all members that the minutes of General Council and Governing Council meeting held in Ranchi in February 2010 have not been printed so far in the IJCM.

	The Editor assured that the minutes along with all notices will be printed in the forthcoming issue of IJCM.
c. IJCM share to be disbursed annually.	Instead of quarterly payment to IJCM from the IAPSM funds, it was decided to make the payment annually for convenient transactions.
Action/responsibility	Head Office /IJCM office
Agenda no 9.  Any other issue	1. Suggestion for Constitutional Amendment: All past presidents should automatically become members of the Governing Council.
	2. A "Lifetime Achievement" award for distinguished IAPSM members could be considered.
	3. Dr V.K.Srivastav who is also the Regional Councilor IEA-SEA, informed about a new scheme of IEA membership which is called "joint membership", which will be open for Members of the Indian Association of Preventive and Social Medicine. IAPSM members can now apply for membership for IEA at subsidized rates (Rs 750 /- for one year). His efforts in making this possible were appreciated by all.
	4. It was suggested that various recommendations emerging from the national conferences can be sent to the Health ministry-for possible inclusion in health policies.
	5. Dr Shamim Haider was requested to follow up on the progress of the "Ranchi Declaration of Medical Education"
Action/responsibility	Head Office /Governing Council

Dr Bir Singh, Secretary General IAPSM