

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL BODY MEETING OF THE BOSE INSTITUTE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HELD ON 21.01.2017 IN THE BOSE INSTITUTE MADHYAMGRAM EXPERIMENTAL FARM, KOLKATA AT 12.15 P.M.

Member present: Prof. Nitai C. Mandal, Prof. Arun Lahiri Majumder, Prof. Sujoy K. Das Gupta, Prof. Tapan K. Dutta, Dr. Mahadeb Pal, Dr. Atin Mandal, Dr. Pallab Kundu, Dr. Gopal Chakraborty, Dr. Amitava Kundu, Dr. Ajit B. Datta, Dr. Sumita Sengupta, Prof. Debabrata Basu, Prof. Pradeep Parrack, Prof. Sampa Biswas (Pain), Dr. Rajat Banerjee, Dr. Sib Hari Dutta, Dr. P. Mohan Kumar, Dr. Ashish Bhattacharjee, Dr. Bhudeb Bhattacharyya, Dr. Goutam Biswas, Dr. Anup K. Halder, Dr. Subha Manna, Dr. Amit K. Chakraborty, Prof. Maitrayee Dasgupta, Dr. Ferdousi Begum, Dr. Banhi Sikha Choudhuri, Dr. Kajari Lahiri, Dr. Tapas K. Sengupta.

Meeting started with a very warm welcome by the Secretary while Prof. N.C. Mandal, President of Bose Institute Alumni Association (BIAA) chaired the session.

Agenda Item No.1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the meetings held on 24.08.2016

The Secretary read the minutes of the meetings held on 24.08.2016 at Centenary Campus, Bose Institute and the House unanimously confirmed the minutes.

Agenda No. 2: Brief report on the update of BIAA activities

The Secretary of BIAA reported the current development on the Bose Institute Centenary Celebration with respect to the participation of BIAA and informed about submission of a fresh proposal to the Officiating Director of Bose Institute to organize a one-day symposium on the theme "History of Science in India and contribution of Bose Institute in Indian Science", tentatively on October 14, 2017 (Saturday). An appropriate title of the symposium is currently under discussion in the BIAA Executive Council, which will be circulated in due course. The submitted proposal included a budget amounting to a total expenditure of Rs. 6,72,000/-. Although we did not receive any response letter from the Officiating Director, Bose Institute but did receive a soft response from the Chairman of the Centenary Celebration Committee of Bose Institute, which apparently indicate that we may receive a fund ranging from Rs. 3.0 to 3.5 lacs. In this context, an amount of Rs. 50,000/- that will be contributed from the core fund of BIAA to organize the symposium had already been decided in an earlier BIAA meeting. In this conference, BIAA proposes to organize six relevant lectures to be delivered by reputed national and/or overseas academicians/alumni.

Agenda Item No.3: Report on accounts

Accounts for the year 2015-16 had already been audited. Moreover, a process has been initiated to obtain 80G status towards BIAA.

Till date, a total of 70 members have been registered as Life members of BIAA. After performing all the activities of BIAA in the last three years, the total deposit in the BIAA savings account now stands at approximately 1,93,000/-.

N. C. Mandal

Tapan K. Dutta

It has been decided by the House that an amount of Rs. 1,00,000/- may be transferred into a fixed deposit to generate more revenue out of bank interest.

Agenda Item No. 4: Centenary Celebration of Bose Institute by BIAA

After a thorough discussion on the resolution taken in the Executive Council Meeting dated 18-11-2016, it has been decided that the following three groups will ~~be formed to~~ explore the subject areas on which six different lectures will be delivered in the said symposium.

1. Prof. N.C. Mandal has been chosen as group leader in Biological sciences, primarily to gather information on the activities of the departments of Microbiology, Biochemistry, Animal Physiology/Molecular Medicine and Chemistry. He will be assisted by Prof. Sujoy Das Gupta, Dr. Amitabha Kundu and Prof. Parimal Sen.
2. Prof. Arun Lahiri Majumder has been chosen as another group leader in Biological sciences, primarily to gather information on the activities of the departments related to plant sciences. He will be assisted by Prof. Debabrata Basu and Dr. Pallob Kundu.
3. Prof. Suprakash C. Roy has been chosen as group leader in Physical sciences. He will be assisted by alumni as decided by the group leader.

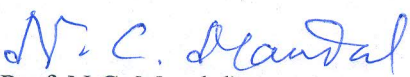
However, to expedite the process, the Secretary of BIAA has been requested to convene a meeting with all the three group leaders to finalize the assisting alumni and to formulate the next course of actions.

Agenda Item No. 5: Miscellaneous with the permission of Chair

The Secretary with the permission of Chair has floated the issue for discussion on the possibility of extending membership to the faculty members of Bose Institute who did not receive Ph.D. degree from Bose Institute but working as faculty members for more than two years with reference to the existing bye laws of BIAA where Research Associates/Research Scientists spending two years or more at Bose Institute are entitled to be Associate member of BIAA.

After a long discussion among the members present in the House, it has been decided that at present, no such decision on the extension of membership to the faculty members of Bose Institute as stated above is possible and we must follow the policy as guided by the bye-laws of BIAA.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.


(Prof. N.C. Mandal)
President


(Prof. Tapan K. Dutta)
Secretary