



**INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (IIScAA)
BANGALORE –560012**

**Minutes of the 41st AGBM held on September 11, 2016 @ 10.00 a.m.
at the Faculty Hall, IISc, Bangalore-560012.**

The intimation giving AGENDA for the AGBM along with the following annexures was sent to all Hon'ble IIScAA members through:

- a) **Circular e-mail dt. August 4, 2016**
- b) **AGBM documents were sent via e-mail dt. August 27, 2016**

1. Welcome :

The Secretary welcomed the hon'ble members to the AGBM. No. of members present were 70.

2. Adoption of the minutes of the 40th AGBM:

The members agreed in toto to the adoption of minutes of 40th AGBM held on August 30, 2015 without any amendments. **Mr. Prakash proposed and Dr. R. K. Dham seconded.**

3. AGBM Notice :

The AGBM notice was read out by Mr. K. S. Mukunda, General Secretary, IIScAA.

4. Presentation of General Secretary's Report :

The General Secretary presented the Annual Report for the year 2015-2016. Given below are the major highlights of the powerpoint presentation made:

I) Membership Status as on:

- a) 31st March 2015 : **9156** ; b) 31st March 2016 : **9318** & C) During the year 2015-16 : **162**

II) Major activities at a glance :

No. of EC meeting held since October 17, 2015 : 12

Quarterly release of newsletter for periods ending Dec. 2015, March 2016 and June 2016

Alumni Networking meeting – 3

Awards function – 3

Honouring Gurus – 1

Felicitations - 3

Science Forum Lecture – 2

Sports Meet – 1

III) IISc Alumni Global Conference :

This was conducted very successfully under the leadership of Dr.V.K.Aatre. Prof.C.N.R.Rao, Bharat Ratna Awardee, was felicitated by Dr.V.K.Aatre, the conference chair.

IV) Network Meetings :

Out of the 3 network meetings the student network meeting with its objective – **“Your key issues are our concern too – let’s find the roadmap to success”** was well received by the hon’ble members.

V) Felicitations functions:

The Director/Patron, IIScAA, Prof. Anurag Kumar felicitated the following distinguished alumni :

- a) Prof. N. Balakrishnan in view of his retirement and contribution to IIScAA, on July 25, 2015 at the Faculty Hall, IISc.
- b) Professor Ajay Kumar Sood on being “Elected as a Fellow of Royal Society of London”, on September 10, 2015 at the Faculty Hall, IISc.
- c) Padma Awardees of IISc Alumni – Dr. V. K. Aatre (Padma Vibhushan), Dr. H. R. Nagendra (Padma Shri) and Prof. Dipankar Chatterji (Padma Shri) on February 26, 2016 at Faculty Hall, IISc.

VI) IIScAA Sports Meet :

The sports meet on January 17, 2016 was organised by Mr. B. N. N. Prasad, EC member. This was well attended by the enthusiastic sports members of the alumni.

VII) Newsletter :

The Newsletter is being continued. The editorial team headed by Dr. H. Saroja Devi, Prof. H. K. Anasuya Devi and Dr. S. Ramachandra, brought out quarterly newsletter starting January 2016. These newsletters are being sent through e-mails to members.

VIII) Science Forum Lectures:

Prof. V. K. Aatre while deliberating on the subject of Science Forum Lectures suggested that the lecture series can be brought under Bangalore Science Forum North and conduct in institutions in North Bangalore to enthuse more participants and increase the attendees.

IX) Major initiative :

The General Secretary elaborated on the 2 major initiatives and thanked the 2 main contributors

- a) **Dr. Madhurima Das** on the active participation of IIScAA at the WiSER Conclave function dt. April 2, 2016, a first time initiative.
- b) **Mr. Sivakumar Narayanaswamy** on the creation of new Interactive website/Portal.

The Director/Patron, IIScAA launched the new website at the AGBM. Members applauded the efforts of the team.

X) Membership Drive at the convocation on June 23, 2016 :

This new initiative was highly successful with nearly 122 students registering as Life Members of IIScAA.

The General Secretary elaborated on the following :

XI) Thrust areas for 2016 – 2017,

Plans in the pipeline :

- Go on a massive drive to enthuse alumni world over to enroll soon the online payment gateway becomes operational.
- Clean up existing database and create a master database with updated contact details.

Work towards

- Chapter creation
- Mobilising corpus fund
- Dream of an alumni house inside the campus and make it a reality
- Introduce annual and life membership at chapter levels
- Address all problems of the new website to make it user-friendly

Mr. Mukunda acknowledged and thanked the EC committee, IISc authorities, Bangalore Chapter, WiSER Conclave functionaries for the continuous support, help and co-operation.

Mr. Mukunda acknowledged with deep sense of gratitude and thanked the Director Prof. Anurag Kumar for presiding over all the key functions.

The Secretary's Report was taken as read and accepted. **Mr. Parthasarathy proposed and Mr.K.B.Anand seconded the proposal.**

5. Presentation of balance Sheet for the year 2015-2016 :

Mr. C. Ravindranath, Treasurer, presented the Balance Sheet and the Auditor's report and elaborated it through a powerpoint presentation. After the presentation, the following points were discussed by the members:

Clarifications/Suggestions	Replies	Conclusion
Mr.D.N. Prahlad, asked why there is a reduction in the interest income of IIScAA.	Dr Satapathy clarified that the IIScAA generated an additional income of Rs.11.17 Lakhs in the FY2014-15, towards funding two new awards project namely Dr. Srinivasan Rajgopalan award and Prof. Vijayan Lectures; while no such was income received during the FY 2015-16 and hence there is reduction in the income	

	for FY 2015-16 despite increased.	
Mr.Shashank Garg and Mr. D. N. Prahlad suggested the committee to look into various avenues for higher income generation against investments.	Mr.Mukunda explained that the present bye-law permits only investments in scheduled banks.	Members suggested to look into long term government bonds by changing the bye-laws if need be. Mr.Prahlad and Mr.C.S.Murali volunteered to look into such investment proposal for higher net yields.
Why the maintenance expenses for the year is much higher than last year?	Dr.Satapathy clarified that the excess expenses was on account of the special painting works undertaken just prior to the Global Conference	
Mr. K. B. Anand, ex-treasurer, wanted to know why the accruals at the Global Conference was not transferred to IIScAA Accounts. Although the Global Conference was the initiative of IIScAA and hence it was only appropriate that the funds should have gone to IIScAA and not IISc.	Dr. Aatre explained that it is customary that any accruals at events conducted within the IISc Campus can only go to IISc accounts as per the current procedure. Further, Dr. Satapathy clarified that this matter has been represented by IIScAA to the Director, IISc, who is also the Patron of IIScAA. He has approved the transfer of balanced money to IISc only and not to IIScAA. As per the bye-law Patron's decision is final and binding on us.	The members were satisfied with the clarification of Dr.Aatre on the subject.

After the above clarification and discussion on the **balance sheet and the Auditor's report were proposed for adoption by Mr. Prahlad and seconded by Mr.Shashank Garg.**

6. Appointment of Auditors and fixing of remuneration :

The members suggested to continue with the existing Auditor M/s. JAA & Associates, Malleshwaram, Bangalore, with the same remuneration of Rs.6500/-. **Mr. K. B. Anand proposed and Mr.Prakash seconded.**

7. Amendments to IIScAA Bye-laws :

The EC after due deliberation and consensus had sent the additions, deletions, amendments to the existing bye-laws to all the hon'ble members. The same was also circulated to the attending members on the AGBM Day. Based on the inputs received from 5 members on the proposed changes, Dr.Ravindra, President-Elect, made a powerpoint presentation on the subject. All the proposed

changes were discussed at length and accepted. Some of the suggestions on specific clauses requiring minor improvements are recorded below:

- a) **Reg. Honorary Membership to non-iisc alumni (bye-law – 5.3):** Members appreciated that Honorary Membership is a good concept but however wanted to know what care and process will be exercised to avoid induction of individuals with vested interest or with any kind of mismatch with the cultural ethos of the Institute. Dr.Ravindra explained that there will be a committee with specific agenda on such selection and such a committee would device criterions for approval of such honorary members and the EC will approve the recommendations of such a committee. However, even such recommendations would need to have the final approval by the Director or Patron, IIScAA.
- b) **Regarding election of President-Elect (bye-law – 8.2.2) :** Presently the practice is to elect Vice President 1 as President-Elect for the succeeding term. Although in the bye-law it is mentioned that the Executive Committee will approve one of the Vice Presidents as President-Elect. This practice was not followed in the recent election. It was therefore concluded that the elections to the President post can take place only from the term starting August / September 2019. Accordingly there shall be election only for post of two Vice Presidents and no election for the post of President in the upcoming election for 2017.
- c) **Regarding signing of cheques :** Members, by and large, emphasized that the Treasurer shall be the first signatory to all the cheques issued and any of the three office bearers, President, General Secretary and Vice President could be chosen by the EC for second signature.

All the amendments in the bye-laws proposed were accepted with exception to the one's stated above. **Mr. C. S. Murali proposed the acceptance and Mr. Prahlad seconded the proposal.**

8. President's Speech:

Due to shortage of time the President could not deliver his speech. He requested the members for excuse and promised that it shall be put on the website.

9. Vote of thanks :

Dr. Ravindra, President-Elect, proposed the vote of thanks and the meeting was concluded.