

Animal Physiologist Association (APA) - General Body meeting held on 22-12-2018

At the outset, President APA welcomed the life members attended the general body meeting.

Secretary APA submitted the following six agenda items before the general body for discussion:

- 1. Revisiting the byelaw**
 - a. Induction of zonal secretaries
 - b. Number of executive members
 - c. Co-opting honorary inception members to the life membership
- 2. APA Newsletter**
- 3. Corporate membership**
- 4. Grant-in-aid for APA awards**
- 5. Life membership drive**
- 6. Other items**

Induction of zonal secretaries: General body accepted the proposal of executive to constitute the position of zonal Secretaries in-order to expand the horizon of APA and to ensure the pan India representation.

GB decided the following as Zonal Secretaries.

North zone secretary: Dr. Devendra Pathak, GADVASU

Proposed by: Dr. S. M. K. Naqvi

Seconded by: Dr. Rambabu Naik

East zone secretary: Dr. J. Goswami, AAU

Proposed by: Dr. D. C. Shukla

Seconded by: Dr. S. M. K. Naqvi

West Zone secretary: Dr. S. S. Dangi, ICAR-CSWRI

Proposed by: Dr. S. M. K. Naqvi

Seconded by: Dr. D. C. Shukla

South Zone secretary: Dr. Rambabu Naik, COVAS, Tirupathi

Proposed by: Dr. S. M. K. Naqvi

Seconded by: Dr. Devendra Pathak

Number of executive members: Current APA executive wishes to increase the total executive membership to twelve. General body agreed the proposal. So the byelaw is amended in a way that here after the total executive membership will be twelve. The following 4 life members were elected into executive unanimously:

1. Dr. V. S. Chouhan, I CAR-IVRI
Proposed by: Dr. G. Taru Sharma
Seconded by: Dr. V. P. Maurya
2. Dr. Manoj Ahirwar, COVAS Reva
Proposed by: Dr. Devendra Pathak
Seconded by: Dr. G. Singh
3. Dr. Mudasir Ahamed, SKAUST

- Proposed by: Dr. Vikash Chandra
Seconded by: Dr. Manoj Ahirwar
4. Dr. R. K. Singh, COVAS Meerut
Proposed by: Dr. G. Taru Sharma
Seconded by: Dr. M. Sarkar

So as per the amended bye-law it is required that minimum 9 members should be present for completing the quorum of executive committee.

GB agreed the executive's proposal to co-opt the honorary inception members to the APA life membership.

APA Newsletter: Next midterm activity of APA will be the uploading of APA electronic newsletter. Dr. V. Sejian and Dr. Vikash Chandra will co-ordinate the activities. GB decided for the flashing of one newsletter per annum currently.

Corporate membership: Dr. Abhay Bhattacharya (Orinco health care), an alumnus of GBPUAT (Veterinary Medicine), agreed to be the corporate member and handover the cheque of Rs. 10000/- to APA president and GB decided to induct him as the corporate member.

Grant-in-aid for APA awards: Presently APA constituted 8 awards (2 invited & 6 competitive). APA vice-president Dr. M. Sarkar conveyed the GB regarding the modalities of sponsorship for the award:

1. Any sponsor can give the money to sponsor any of the already existing awards, or
2. Any sponsor can deposit the money to constitute a new award
3. Minimum amount of sponsorship is Rs. 50,000/or above

Dr. D. C. Shukla agreed the GB to sponsor a new award which is to be named after Dr. A. K. PAL, first professor of veterinary physiology in India.

Dr. S. M. K. Naqvi proposed the house that in order to circulate the news to a wider group better float the news in APA website so that it may attract more sponsors.

Life membership drive: As a part of membership drive, GB requested a few of the non-member delegates of APACON-2018 to avail the Lifetime membership of APA; accordingly the following researchers / academicians were inducted as APA Life members:

1. Dr. Brijesh kumar, AR division, ICAR-IVRI.
2. Dr. Sunil Kumar Onteru, ICAR-NDRI
3. Dr. Vinay Shukla, CSIR-CDRI
4. Mr. Upendra Kumar Soni, CSIR-CDRI
5. Dr. M. Saminathan, Div of Pathology, ICAR-IVRI

Next conference Venue: the following propositions came in the GB regarding the venue of next conference:

1. SVVU, Tirupati
2. DUVASU, Mathura
3. GADVASU, Luthiana
4. COVAS, Thirupathi
5. SKAUST, Kashmir

Secretary, APA briefed the decisions approved in the GB and thanked every life member for their participation. Session concluded.