

Special GBM-2023

Minutes of the Extraordinary (Special) General Body Meeting held on 28th Oct 2023 at Ramaiah Medical College, Bangalore

The meeting was convened at 4.30 PM, but due to lack of quorum adjourned for 30 minutes

The meeting was called to order by the President Dr Hemanth Murthy and the agenda of the Extraordinary General Body Meeting was read out by Dr Shrinivas Joshi, Secretary KOS.

The amendments to the byelaws were displayed, and after discussion amongst all the members present the following changes to the byelaws were approved by the GBM.

SI No	Main Point	EXISTING	PROPOSED CHANGE
2A	Types of membership		
	a) Life Member:	One who is residing in Karnataka and pays the Life membership fees.	<p>Registered medical practitioners possessing Diploma or Masters or DNB in Ophthalmology, resident / residing in the state of Karnataka shall be eligible to be enrolled as life member. Any person eligible for membership shall submit the application form to the Secretary, and such a form will be scrutinized for eligibility before membership is granted.</p> <p>Life members after ratification, will have voting rights, will be able to contest for elections, will be able to propose / second resolutions</p> <p>Only life members can participate in GBM</p>
	b) National Member :	National Member - They are Life Members but are not residing in Karnataka. They shall be entitled to participate in all activities of the Society, but will not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the society or hold any office there or, or eligible to receive any awards unless specially provided for in these bye laws	<p>Registered medical practitioners possessing Diploma or Masters or DNB in Ophthalmology, but not a permanent resident of the state of Karnataka, shall be eligible to be enrolled as National Member</p> <p>They are entitled to take part in the scientific and social activities of the society</p> <p>They are not eligible for the Lifetime Achievement Award. They have no Voting Rights, and cannot contest any election</p>

			<p>If an National member, moves back to Karnataka, his membership can be converted to a Life member status, after completing a year of stay in Karnataka, such life member status will have to be ratified in the general body</p> <p>The membership of a Life Member who has moved out of Karnataka for a period of more than 1 year shall be converted to National Member.</p> <p>The Onus of informing change of residence to the Secretary, is on the member</p>
	c) Members in Waiting:		<p>Post-graduate Ophthalmology students (MS/ MD/ DO/ DNB/ Dip Ophthalmology (DNB)) may become members-in-waiting, during their post-graduation, before being enrolled as full-fledged member of the Society on production of proof of qualification to the Secretary of the Society.</p>
			<p>As long as they remain Members in Waiting, neither do they enjoy the voting rights and nor can they contest elections for any of the posts of the society</p>
3 B	Functions of the General Body	d) vii) Fix the venue for the ensuing annual conference.	<p>Fix the venue for the annual conference. This has to be done two years in advance.</p>
3C	Quorum	<p>One sixth of the total number of members of the Society or fifteen members whichever is less shall constitute a quorum for every General Body Meeting. In the absence of quorum the meeting shall be adjourned, and the adjourned meeting reconvened half an hour later at the same venue and the members then present shall constitute a quorum for the meeting.</p>	<p>One tenth of the total number of Life members of the Society or fifty members whichever is less, shall constitute a quorum for every General Body Meeting. In the absence of quorum, the meeting shall be adjourned, and the adjourned meeting reconvened half an hour later at the same venue and the members then present shall constitute a quorum for the meeting.</p>
3 F	Service of Notice.	<p>Notice of meeting shall be hand delivered or sent by post to every member. Any notice sent to a member of the Society shall deem to have been served if the same is sent under certificate of posting to the last known address as recorded with the society. Change of address must be got acknowledged from the Society.</p>	<p>Notice of meeting shall be sent by email to every member. Any notice sent to a member of the Society shall be deemed to have been served if the same is sent from the official email id of the society to the last known email address as recorded with the society. Change of any address (electronic or postal) must be got acknowledged from the Secretary or the office of the Society.</p>

<p>4B</p> <p>Quorum for Extra Ordinary / Special General Body Meeting</p>	<p>One sixth of the total number of members of the Society or fifteen members whichever is less shall constitute a quorum for every Extraordinary General Body Meeting. In the absence of quorum the meeting shall be adjourned, and the adjourned meeting reconvened half an hour later at the same venue and the members then present shall constitute a quorum for the meeting.</p>	<p>One tenth of the total number of Life members of the Society or fifty members, whichever is less, shall constitute a quorum for every Extraordinary General Body Meeting. In the absence of quorum the meeting shall be adjourned, and the adjourned meeting reconvened half an hour later at the same venue and the members then present, shall constitute the quorum for the meeting.</p>
<p>5</p> <p>Governing Council of the Society</p>	<p>President, President-elect, who becomes the President from the next annual conference., Vice President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Joint Secretary and Honorary Treasurer, Will constitute Office-bearers of the Society.</p>	<p>It shall consist of i) President ii) President Elect iii) Vice-President iv) Honorary General Secretary v) Honorary Joint Secretary vi) Honorary Treasurer vii) Scientific Committee Chair viii) Editor Journal. They shall form the Governing Council of the Society. Immediate Past President shall be an ex officio member</p>
<p>6B</p> <p>Composition of Managing Committee</p>	<p>The managing Committee shall consist of not more than 15 persons, elected from amongst the members of the Society, at each General Body Meeting. It shall consists of i) President. ii) President Elect. iii) Vice-President. iv) Hon. General Secretary. v) Hon. Joint Secretary. vi) Hon Treasurer. vii) Convener scientific committee. viii) Editor "Chakshu". In addition one representative from each district of Karnataka State shall be elected to the Managing Committee. (Not more than 15). The immediate past President and Secretary are to be elected as ex-ocio members.</p>	<p>The managing Committee shall consist of one representative from each of the District / Zonal society, affiliated with Karnataka Ophthalmic Society and the members of the Governing Council</p>

	<p>whether General, Special or Extraordinary as also all the meetings of the managing committee and regulate the proceedings there of.</p> <p>Proceedings of the General Meetings and the managing committee shall be authenticated by the President.</p> <p>He/She may, at any time, dissolve the managing committee if he/she is satisfied that it is acting in a manner prejudicial to the purpose of the Society. However this dissolution should be ratified at an emergency General Body Meeting.</p>	<p>society, meetings of general body and managing committee. In absence of the President, President-elect shall officiate for him. In the absence of the President-elect also, Vice-President shall preside over the meetings. All documents and contracts shall be made jointly by the Honorary General Secretary and the President.</p> <p>In case of a tie in any decision in the Genral Body Meetings, Governing Council Meetings, Managing Committee Meetings, Elections or any other Subcommittee Meetings, the President shall have additional casting vote.</p> <p>The President can dissolve the Managing Committee if he/she is satisfied that it is acting in a manner prejudicial to the purpose of the Society. However, this dissolution should be ratified at a Special General Body Meeting within 30 days.</p>
<p>b.President-Elect and Vice-President</p>	<p>In the absence of the President, the President elect and in his absence the Vice-President shall preside over all the meetings of the General Body, Managing committee and other committees and shall otherwise perform the duties of the President. He/She shall assist the President in performing his duties.</p>	<p>In the absence of the President, the President-Elect and in his / her absence, the Vice-President shall preside over all the meetings of the General Body, Managing Committee, Meetings of the Governing Council and other committees and shall perform the duties of the President. He/She shall assist the President in performing his/her duties.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">C. Honorary Secretary</p>	<p>The Secretary of the society shall look after all the administrative functions of the Society. He/She shall have the powers regarding the appointment of sta of the Society and their dismissal, taking premises on rent on behalf of the Society, enter into contracts on behalf of the Society and shall perform all such functions which relate to the working of the Society. He/She shall however consult the President of the Society but for his/her administrative actions he/she shall act independently subject to the scrutiny and approval of his/her actions by the managing committee. He/She shall: i) Maintain an update register of the members indicating their age, address, and occupation. ii) Maintain a Ledger and Stock book. iii) Send summons and attend meetings of the Society and the Managing Committee under the instructions of the President as the circumstances may require. iv) Circulate the agenda of the meetings.v) Record the proceedings of the meetings of the Society. vi) Conduct the day to day correspondence of the Society and sign on behalf of the Society subject to the approval of the President on all important matters.vii) Prepare yearly reports on the working of the Society. viii) And carry out such other duties as may be assigned to him/her by the President.</p>	<p>The Secretary of the society shall look after all the administrative functions of the Society. He/She shall have the powers with regard to the appointment of staff of the Society, their Salaries and their dismissal, taking premises on rent on behalf of the Society, enter into contracts on behalf of the Society and shall perform all such functions which relate to the working of the Society. He/She shall however consult and get approval of the Governing Council for the same. He/She shall: i) Maintain an updated register of the members indicating their age, address, contact details. ii) Maintain a Ledger and Stock book of assets of the Society iii) Send notices and attend meetings of the Society and the Managing Committee under the instructions of the President as the circumstances may require iv) Circulate the agenda of the meetings v) Record the proceedings of the meetings of the Society vi) Conduct the day-to-day correspondence of the Society and sign on behalf of the Society subject to approval of the President on all important matters vii) Prepare yearly reports on the working of the Society viii) And carry out such other duties as may be assigned to him/her by the President. All documents and contracts shall be made jointly by Honorary General Secretary and the President. All the awards decided by MC shall be announced by the Secretary. He/She shall co-ordinate the activities of all sub-committees. He/She shall be in charge of the office and shall execute the resolutions of the society.</p>
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<p>d. Treasurer</p>	<p>He/She shall receive money due to the Society and receive donations from members/ non-members of the Society. He/She shall maintain a regular account of all the money received and spent. He/She shall be entitled to keep such amounts as petty cash as may be determined by the Managing Committee from time to time. The balance amount shall be deposited in the bank account of the Society. He/She shall keep a printed receipt book and every receipt shall be signed by him/her. The accounts shall be audited once a year and presented to the Annual General Body Meeting of the Society.</p>	<p>He/She shall receive money due to the Society and receive donations from members/ non- members of the Society. He/She shall maintain a regular account of all the money received and spent. He/She shall be entitled to keep such amounts as petty cash as may be determined by the Managing Committee from time to time. The balance amount shall be deposited in the bank account of the Society. He/She shall keep vouchers and issue receipts signed by him/her. The accounts shall be audited once a year and presented to the Annual General Body Meeting of the Society. He / she shall liason with the secretariat and sign monthly account statement after verification. The President, Treasurer and the Honorary General Secretary shall jointly operate the accounts. For Operation of bank accounts - Signature of the Treasurer, and also, either the president or the Secretary will be required</p>
<p>e) Composition of the Scientific Committee:</p>		<p>Chairman - Responsible in formulating the scientific programme for the Annual conference as well as other scientific programmes through the year . Recommend to the Managing Committee the names for the award of various scientific medals, prizes and guest speakers.</p> <p>Five Members - One from Each Zone shall be elected. To assist chairman scientific committee in all scientific programs in annual conference and CME. To manage the conference halls during scientific programs during the Annual conference. The committee shall formulate the modalities for the acceptance of the scientific papers / posters / videos and symposia. They should also organize programmes in their zone.</p>
<p>f) Joint Secretary</p>		<p>The Joint Secretary shall assist the secretary. The Joint Secretary shall represent the secretary in his absence.</p>
<p>g) Editor, Journal</p>		<p>The editor shall be responsible for the publications of the society. The editor shall be responsible for publishing the Newsletter of the society, once at least every three months.</p>
<p>h) Editorial Board</p>		<p>The Editor, journal, should appoint three Life Members of the Society to the editorial board. If required additional members can be appointed by the editor, which shall be the prerogative of the editor. They should assist the editor for all journal and newsletter related work.</p>

<p>i) Zonal representatives in the Managing Committee</p>		<p>Responsible to increase membership in their Zones. They should act as link between the Managing Committee and the members in the respective Zones.</p>
<p>6F Quorum for the Managing Committee</p>	<p>Four members including the President shall form a quorum for all meetings of the Managing Committee.</p>	<p>Six members including the President shall form a quorum for all meetings of the Managing Committee.</p>
<p>6H Powers of the Governing Council</p>		
	<p>The Office Bearers Committee shall exercise all such powers as are necessary for the proper control and management of the affairs of the Society except those reserved under the act or those rules which are for the General Body of the Society. Any act of Managing Committee shall be null and binding on all members, until altered, modified, or rescinded by the General Body of the Society. It shall also have the following powers.</p> <p>To open, operate or close an account with any scheduled Bank or Banks and to authorize any member or members to operate there on.</p> <p>To empower the Secretary or any other member to perform all or any of the powers of the Managing Committee</p> <p>To appoint one or more sub-committees to carry on the work of the Society subject to the control and approval of the Managing Committee.</p>	<p>i. To open, operate or close an account with any Nationalized Bank or Banks and to authorize any member or members to operate there on.</p>
	<p>To purchase, take or give or lease or hire, otherwise acquire, sell, manage or deal with any movable or immovable property for any of the aims or objects of the Society.</p>	
	<p>To borrow or raise money by holding cultural or charity shows or in any other lawful manner that the Society may think it.</p>	

	<p>To invest any money of the Society not immediately required for its aims and objects as may be determined by the Managing Committee.</p> <p>To undertake or execute any Trust that may be conducive to any of the aims and objects of the Society.</p> <p>To negotiate and enter into any agreement with the state Government, University, Director of Public Instructions, municipality or other public or private authorities for the purpose of achieving any of the aims and objectives of the Society or which may seem conducive or beneficial to the same or intended to enhance improve or render more efficient property, right privileges of the Society.</p> <p>To accept hold or administer any gift, donation or contribution in kind or money, whether upon trust or otherwise, and to undertake and execute, any trust or obligation which may be deemed conducive to any of the aims and objectives of the Society.</p> <p>To manage, improve, develop, alter, demolish, sell, alienate, lease, mortgage, pledge, hypothecate dispose of or otherwise deal with all or any of the properties, funds, assets, rights and privileges of the society.</p> <p>To make bye-laws not inconsistent with the Act or those rules for the conduct of the business of the Society and Managing Committee.</p>	
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	<p>To explain and interpret the provisions of these rules and give decisions and rulings on any points not covered by them.</p> <p>To admit persons as members of the Society.</p> <p>To suspend and/or terminate any member from the Society and/or deal with him/her in such a manner as they may deem fit.</p>	
	<p>To amalgamate either wholly or partially with any other Society following the procedure prescribed in this behalf in the section 21 of the act.</p> <p>The funds and the income of the Society shall be solely utilized for the achievement of the objects and no portion of it shall be utilized for the payment to the members by way profits, interest, dividend etc.</p> <p>In the event of dissolution or winding up of the Society, assets remaining as on the date of dissolution shall under no circumstances be distributed amongst the members of the Managing Committee but the same shall be transferred to another Society whose objects are similar to those of this Society and which enjoys recognition U/S 80G of the Income Tax Act 1961, as amended from time to time.</p> <p>No amendments to the bye-laws shall be made which may prove to be repugnant to the provisions of section 2,15,11,12,13 and 80G of the Income Tax Act, 1961, as amended from time to time. Further no amendment shall be carried out without prior approval of Commissioner of Income Tax.</p>	

<p style="text-align: center;">Election and Election Commission</p>		<p>The President shall form a three membered Election Commission when calling for Nominations. Past Presidents in rotation are eligible to serve in the Election Commission. The Chief Election Officer shall be chosen with preference being given as per seniority. In the event of the senior most person expressing his/her inability to preside, the next member of election committee shall be offered the presiding powers.</p> <p>All nominations need to be reviewed by the election commission to review the eligibility of candidates</p> <p>The election commission decision will be final and irrevocable.</p> <p>If any proposal is rejected by the election commission the candidate should be communicated through email about the reasons for rejection of his proposal.</p> <p>Budget for the election commission expenses to be approved by Governing Council</p> <p>Elections to be held online & On-site (Electronic Only) on the first day of the Annual Conference and the results will be announced in the GBM</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Requirements for Nomination</p>		<p>Only Life Members are eligible to contest any of the posts of the Society. Vice President, Secretary - A member contesting for Vice President should have served in the managing committee in the past and have been a Life Member of good standing for 10 years and should have regularly attended at least 3 GBM's in the past 5 years. A member contesting for Secretary should have served in the managing committee in the past and have been a Life Member of good standing for 7 years and should have regularly attended at least 3 GBM's in the past 5 years.</p>
		<p>Treasurer, Joint Secretary - The member contesting these posts should be of good standing and should have regularly attended at least 3 GBM's in the past 5 years</p>

		<p>Chairman Scientific Committee / Editor Journal - The member contesting for these posts should be a member of good standing for a period of 7 years. He should have presented talks / papers in the previous conferences and /or should have published papers in ophthalmic journals and/ or should have been member of scientific committee and /or editorial board in the past.</p> <p>Member Scientific committee - One member from each Zone shall be elected. They should be Life members of the society, of at least 5 years good standing.</p>
Conferences		<p>The venues for the annual conferences should be decided in the General body meeting two years in advance</p> <p>The conference shall be allotted to a registered (with registrar of societies) zonal /district society upon a written request, who shall then nominate a Local Organising Committee which shall organise the event.</p> <p>The actual dates of the conference, shall be decided in consultation with the local organising committee. The LOC shall arrange for an inspection of the conference facilities 10 months in advance of the conference. Local hospitality of the Governing Council to be taken care of, by the LOC</p> <p>In unprecedented situations, the president will take a decision in consultation with Governing Council of KOS for change of venue.</p> <p>In circumstances whenever it is not possible to hold physical Annual Conference, then it can be taken virtually or hybrid.</p> <p>The registration fee for the conference, can be revised upto 10% higher from the previous year. In case a further revision is required, permission of a Special General Body Meeting needs to be taken. Managing Committee Members, KOS Secretariat Staff and Scientific Committee members shall be provided complimentary registration. Past Presidents and Senior Citizens above age of 70 shall also be provided complimentary registration provided the online registration is completed within the last date of early bird registration.</p>

		<p>The conference will comprise of Symposiums on subjects which will be decided by the Scientific Committee</p> <p>All invited faculty from the state should be KOS members. 80% of the invited faculty should be from the state and remaining 20% National / International. The LOC can propose 25% of faculty. For Invited faculty from outside the state, registration and local hospitality expenses should be borne by the LOC (for upto 25 faculty). Local hospitality of the Oration awardees, Lifetime achievement awardee and Managing Committee members is to be borne by the LOC.</p> <p>Orations and awards will be decided by the Managing Committee</p> <p>Scientific papers, videos, instruction courses, scientific posters, workshops, Quiz or any other such activities and their awards will be decided by scientific committee.</p> <p>Scientific committee to give guidelines to judges at the time of inviting</p>
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The attendance details of the members to the Special GBM are as given below.

SI No	Dr Name	KOS No	SI No	Dr Name	KOS No
1	Dr Hemanth Murthy	64	55	Dr Sowmya Sharat	1358
2	Dr G. V. Divakar	39	56	Dr Rajashree. V. Reddy	1602
3	Dr Rajshekhar Y. L	579	57	Dr Ravindra R Kolvekar	1130
4	Dr Krishna Prasad Kudlu	640	58	Dr Vishwanath Ankad	2372
5	Dr Chaitra Jayadev	1415	59	Dr Shylesh Dabke	1848
6	Dr Elankumaran P	1035	60	Dr S. Ravi	228
7	Dr Sunil G	868	61	Dr Sreenivas	9
8	Dr Vikram Jain	1306	62	Dr Vishwanath Reddy	630
9	Dr Venkat	757	63	Dr Veeresh Korwar	2848
10	Dr Umesh Megur	333	64	Dr Darshan D Laad	661
11	Dr K. S. Santhan Gopal	821	65	Dr Anilraj. K. S	1272
12	Dr K. S. Kumar	361	66	Dr Hanumanthappa	921
13	Dr A. S. Guruprasad	54	67	Dr Soumya Ramani	1950
14	Dr Shailesh G. M	961	68	Dr Suresh. K	1288
15	Dr Sirish Nelivigi	830	69	Dr G. K. Venkatesh	785
16	Dr Mallikarjun M. H	1236	70	Dr K. P. Narendra	1674
17	Dr Kaushik Murali	1187	71	Dr A. Punith Kumar	348
18	Dr Ajay. A. Kudva	1496	72	Dr Pramod Kumar. H. N	3648
19	Dr Shibi Dev	1067	73	Dr Brijesh Patil	1070
20	Dr Leslie Ravi Kumar	1937	74	Dr Vishwanath Chitlur N	316
21	Dr Santosh Gopikrishna G	1093	75	Dr Shruti. V. S	3331
22	Dr Harjit Kaur	1170	76	Dr Apsara. G	3203
23	Dr Poornachandra B	1601	77	Dr Shreeya	2944
24	Dr Sharat Hegde	1523	78	Dr Nishitha Rai E	3252
25	Dr Sachin Mahuli	1480	79	Dr Roshni Treza Furtado	3205
26	Dr Ananth Bhandary.S	1002	80	Dr Ravishankar. H. N	871
27	Dr B. N. Shiva Prasad	163	81	Dr N. Jayanth Rao	76
28	Dr Shivaram	602	82	Dr Ramnath. Koti	227
29	Dr Tanushree Hegde	1745	83	Dr Hegde P A	56
30	Dr Manjunath	1678	84	Dr Srinivasa K H	2529
31	Dr C. M. Gaganagowda	993	85	Dr Anuradha	1369
32	Dr Raju Sampangi	1181	86	Dr Manohar Puttanna	1441
33	Dr Parasappa Bandrakalli	763	87	Dr Hemalatha. B. C	1176

34	Dr Yogesh R. B	835	88	Dr Nataraju C	738
35	Dr Ravindranath	714	89	Dr Mahabaleshwar M	126
36	Dr M. R. Hemanth	125	90	Dr Anand Vinekar	1189
37	Dr Siddaling Reddy	3226	91	Dr Chandrashekar Shetty S	32
38	Dr Bheemreddy H	849	92	Dr M. S. Ravindra	221
39	Dr Rakesh. M. R	1216	93	Dr Reji Koshy Thomas	106
40	Dr Dinesh Kumar	924	94	Dr Roopashree. B. V	1082
41	Dr Sudhakar N A	379	95	Dr Sudhakar Joshi	286
42	Dr M. R. Sreenivas	708	96	Dr Kavitha. V	889
43	Dr Gopinath G S	481	97	Dr Rajesh. P	824
44	Dr G. K. G. Prasad	1133	98	Dr Mahesh Babu	1405
45	Dr Akshay Bhandary	2943	99	Dr S. B. Patil	562
46	Dr Samyakta Shetti	2084	100	Dr Abhishek. G. U	3037
47	Dr Arun Bhatti	3540	101	Dr Umesh. G. S	309
48	Dr Thanusa G. P	1477	102	Dr Ramamurthy. M. G	666
49	Dr Sanket Bhatnagar	1489	103	Dr Chandrashekhar. N	198
50	Dr Gaup	2417	104	Dr Kelagar Chandrashekar S	500
51	Dr Aishwarya S	1579	105	Dr Vishwanath Nayak Shiriyar	703
52	Dr Gururaj B	600	106	Dr Umesh Hiremath	1123
53	Dr Sripathi Kamath	1595	107	Dr Rakesh M R	1216
54	Dr Harsha. S. Pai	1161	108	Dr Shridhar Kalburgi	258