

**Minutes of the Annual General Body (GB) Meeting of the IBS held at the Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi on February 14, 2010**

The meeting of the Annual General Body of the Indian Biophysical Society was held at 5:00 p.m. on February 14, 2010 at the Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, during the National Symposium on Biophysics. A total of 50 life-members attended the meeting:

1. At the outset, Dr. Mohan Rao, President and Chair, welcomed the life and students members for the meeting. On behalf of the EC and GB, he congratulated Prof. P.C.Mishra and his colleagues for wonderfully arranging the IBS-2010.
2. Prof. Chary, Secretary, IBS read out the minutes of the Annual General Body of the Indian Biophysical Society held on January 24, 2009 at CCMB, Hyderabad, during the National Symposium on Biophysics and the same was passed by a voice vote.
3. In presenting the Secretary's report, Prof. Chary shared the following information with the members of GB:
  - a. The IBS web-site ([www.tifr.res.in/~ibs](http://www.tifr.res.in/~ibs)) is updated regularly.
  - b. The present strength of the IBS membership is 760 and as approved by the EC and GB of IBS, the Life-member ship fees has been enhanced from January 25, 2009 to Rs 1000/-.
  - c. The entire Life member's directory is updated as on February 11, 2010.
  - d. Missing information: e-mail IDs and change of addresses (if any: pl inform Mr. Jayesh Malkan by e.mail <[malkan@tifr.res.in](mailto:malkan@tifr.res.in)>).
  - e. The Minutes of the meetings of EC and GB held during IBS - 2009 are uploaded on the net.
  - f. Awards page is put on the net.
  - g. Membership ID cards: As approved by the EC and GB, IBS Membership ID cards have been printed and kept at the Symposium registration desk for distribution to the members.
4. Prof. S. Basak, Treasurer, IBS presented the accounts to GB. GB approved the same. During this discussion, it has been decided to continue the separate bank account maintained by IBS in Mumbai. The GB has been informed that the account is operated by an executive committee member (Prof. K.V.R. Chary, Secretary IBS) and either Prof. G. Govil or Prof. A. Saran. It has been agreed upon to operate the bank account of IBS in Kolkata by an executive committee member (Prof. Soumen Basak, Treasurer, IBS and Dr. M. Maity or Dr. G. Suresh Kumar). Some members expressed about their opinion on raising the Society funds in the form of individual and corporate donations, which can be tax exempted.
5. It was decided as per the earlier recommendation of EC and GB of IBS, that the IBS-2011 meeting will be held in New Delhi and it will be part of the 7<sup>th</sup> Asian Biophysical Association (ABA 2011) Symposium. Prof. Jagannathan from AIIMS will be the organizing the symposium. In this context, Prof. Jagannathan shared the following:
  - a. National Organizing Committee has been constituted with Prof. M. Vijayan as Chairperson.
  - b. Registration fees will be: US \$ 350/- before October 15, 2010 and US \$ 400/- after October 15, 2010 and US \$ 175/- before October 15, 2010 or US \$ 200/- after October 15, 2010 for students and post-docs. This will be Rs.5000.00 for students before October 15, 2010 and Rs.6000.00 after that. For Faculty, PDF, Scientists and others it will be Rs.7000.00 before October 15, 2010 and Rs.8000.00 after that.
  - c. The registration fees include tea, 4 days lunch and two days dinner
  - d. Waivers are the following:
    - Plenary speakers (TA, Registration Fees and Accommodation)
    - Invited speakers (Registration Fees and Accommodation)
    - Chairpersons (Registration Fees)
  - e. Commenting on the GNR memorial lecture: The name of Nobel Laureate Dr. Ada Younath from Weizmann Institute, Israel was proposed as one of the possible candidates.

6. Prof. Jagannathan informed the committee members that the 8<sup>th</sup> Asian Biophysical Association (ABA) meeting will be held in South Korea in 2013 as decided by the Steering Committee of ABA.

7. The proposal from Madras University for organizing IBS - 2012 has been discussed and accepted.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

**Prof. K.V.R.Chary**  
**Secretary, IBS**