Pune Orthopaedic Society (POS)

Annual General Body Meeting

Day & Date: Saturday, 4th June 2022

Venue: Hotel Sheraton Grand, Raja Bahadur Mill Rd, Sangamvadi, Pune 411001

Minutes of Meeting

1) President's Welcome

Dr Karne welcomed all the present members & because of lack of quorum, AGBM was adjourned for half an hour till 6:30 pm.

Dr Wahegaonkar welcomed all the present members and now quorum was not required.

Dr Karne welcomed all the members & addressed the members about current situation of POS. He thanked the entire EC and the Organizing Committee for their contribution in making the POSAC 2022 a grand success. He mentioned that despite challenges in getting sponsorships and the lack of time due to the COVID situation, the POSAC 2022 was a grand success. He made special mention that we had almost 50 stalls and we had to refuse stall allocation to some Pharma partners. He expressed his vision for raising the standard of the POSAC to that of the WIROC.

2) Obituaries if Any

Homage was paid to Late Dr Swapnil Pise.

3) Approval and ratification of MOM – GBM 2022 (at Poona Club on Sunday March 13, 2022)

MOM was read out and passed by present members. Proposed by Dr Yogesh Khandalkar & Seconded by Dr Sanjay Patil.

4) Report of all activities of POS from 13th March 2022 – Dr Wahegaonkar

Dr. Wahegaonkar presented all activities under the POS. He thanked all those who were at the forefront of conducting academic activities during the challenging times of the COVID. He thanked Dr. Arjun Viegas for the splendid work of the POS website. He also mentioned about the POS Office which was a dream of Dr. Nitin Bhagali came to fruition. Dr. Wahegaonkar thanked Dr. Uday Vaidya and SUV Healthcare for their stellar work in maintaining the POS back office over the years. The report was proposed by Dr. Chetan Pradhan and seconded by Dr. Shailesh Hadgaonkar. It was passed unanimously.

5) Ratification of New Life Members applied after 13th March 2022

The list of New Life members was displayed and all members were ratified. Proposed by Dr. Kunal Bansal and seconded by Dr. Sachin Nagapurkar. It was approved unanimously.

6) Ratification of Associate Membership to Orthopedic PGs & Honorary Membership (HM) to AFMC doctors.

25 such members were ratified with special mention of the active participation of the AFMC members. Proposed by Dr. Abhijit Agashe and seconded by Dr. Talesara. It was approved unanimously.

7) Website Report: Dr Arjun Viegas

Dr. Arjun Viegas took charge in March 2022 as Webmaster. He presented the changes made to the website, which has become now more interactive and vibrant. He urged members to share content to make the website more vibrant. He also appealed to the members to post their academic and non-academic achievements to display on website. Proposed by Dr. Sachin Abane and seconded by Dr. Swapnil Bhise. It was approved unanimously.

8) Ratification of POS Constitutional Amendments Approved in AGBM

Dr. Kiran Kharat read the concerns voiced by Dr. Gautam Salunke, who could not attend the GBM. Dr Karne specifically mentioned that there was an elaborate discussion for more than 1 hr in previous AGBM, on these amendments. These were discussed and addressed by Dr. Karne.

Dr Salunkhe, in absentia, mentioned that If a member goes in the Court against the decisions of GB, he will be suspended and he will be re-instated only, as a fresh member, after he pays the expenditure incurred during the Court proceedings. He suggested that, if the member wins the case against the GB, he need not have to pay this Court expenditure. Rather he should be given the legitimate expenditure for the Court case. This amendment was seconded by Dr Karne and approved by GB unanimously.

It was stressed that the GB is supreme and any decision taken by the GB is final and binding. It can be changed only in any further GBM. Dr. Karne congratulated and thanked Dr. Gautam Salunkhe for his concern for the POS and for studying the constitution & bylaws thoroughly and for giving suggestions. Proposed by Dr. Prashant Tonape and seconded by Dr. Gowerdhan Ingale and Dr. Kiran Kharat. It was approved unanimously.

9) To administer Oath of all Newly elected members

The newly elected members were invited to the stage to take the oath of office. Dr. Arjun Viegas, Dr. Yogesh Khandalkar, Dr. Kunal Bansal, Dr. Sachin Jadhav and Dr. Sachin Nagapurkar took oath which was delivered by the Hon. President Dr. N.J. Karne.

10) Any other point with permission of the chair

Dr. Sanjay Patil raised a point regarding the timing of the POSAC. Dr. Karne explained about the nuances regarding the change of office, accounts, GBM and AGBM. Several points were discussed including the social, academic welfare of POS members with active participation and inputs from the attendees.

11) Address by Outgoing President

Dr. Karne delivered a very passionate address as the outgoing President. He informed in details all new initiatives started during POSAC22. New 2 Lifetime achievements were given , viz. Dr KH Sancheti & Dr S M Hardikar. Many POS Memebrs were felicitated for their Individual achievements in different academic, Social, cultural fields. A new News Bulletin was started with Dr Shailesh Hadgaonkar as an Editor. Al Past Presidents and current EC members were given POS Pocket Badges. He also stressed the need for POS to reach to every corner of Pune District and arrange EC Meetings, academic CMEs at peripheral areas like Baramati, Alephata, Lonawala, Shirwal etc. He thanked his Secretary, Dr Abhijeet Wahegaonkar and other EC Members for their continuous support, encouragement and active involvement. Dr. Wahegaonkar thanked him for his leadership and service towards the POS. Dr Chetan Pradhan proposed Standing Ovation to Dr N J Karne for his fervent and passionate work, ardent leadership for the POS, for starting many new initiatives and for taking painstaking efforts for making many important amendments in POS Constitution, which was approved and implemented unanimously.

12) Handover of the Jewel

The Presidential Jewel was handed over to Dr. Chetan Pradhan and the charge of the Secretary was handed over to Dr. Swapnil Bhise

13) Address by Incoming President

Dr. Pradhan addressed the meeting and briefed the attendees about his vision for the POS. He, along with the Secretary Dr. Swapnil Bhise presented their agenda in brief, stressing on academics and activities for his tenure. He mentioned that he will prepare a calendar of events for the entire year. He made special mention of the camaraderie that POS members enjoy that the newly formed PCOA is a part of the family. Dr. Pradhan said that he will work to initiate POS fellowships and centres of excellence.

14) Any other Members' comments, with permission of Incoming President

15) Vote of Thanks

Dr Wahegaonkar expressed his gratitude & extended vote of thanks to everyone.

16) National Anthem