

VSNA BOD Meetings Minutes

Date: Sunday, June 14th, 2015

Attendees:

Elected BOD Members: Channu Kambalyal, Leena Paul, Irappa Arabhavi, Neetha Dhananjaya, Nayantara Swamy, Yuvaraj Patil, Sajjan Shiva, Shivappa Palled

Nominated BOD Members: Mrutunjay Hiremath (CA-C), Manu Swamy (CA-S), Kishore Channabasavaiah (IL), Sanjeev Mungaravadi (MI), Shiva Patil (NY), Kevin Gangadhar (Pittsburg), Vijay Aivalli (Toronto)

Non-Voting: Sujaya Dessai (MD- for Savitha Shivananda), Shankar Sanikop, Onkar Murundi, Prabhu Patil,

Invitees: Laxmi Hiremath, Dada Patil (BOR)

Meeting Notes:

- 1) Roll Call by Leena Paul- Quorum verified.
- 2) Prayer with a Vachana led by Yuvaraj Patil.
- 3) Approval of Agenda: No objections
- 4) Approval of May meeting minutes: Yuvaraj Patil proposed, and Shiva Patil seconded
- 5) VSNA Convention Stats update:
 - a) Shiva Patil, Convention chair, said that they have 470 people (159 families) registered for the convention, \$135K collected so far with a gap of about \$48K (after a few pledges). After costs cutting, the new budget is \$192K.
 - b) They have received chapter donations from three chapters.
 - c) He said that they would be able to raise half of that, and would expect the rest to come through registrations and donations from other chapters.
 - d) Suggestions: make phone calls, focus on people who are in driving distance, donations from chapters upto \$1500, large donations from entrepreneurs and business owners, get advertisements for souvenir.
 - e) Open floor discussions were very helpful as all the chapter presidents or representatives provided updates.
 - f) Shiva requested conference calls requested for next two weeks.
- 6) Laxmi Hiremath updated that the matrimonial group (Uma Sajjan) will offer free registration for one year for those who register on spot.
- 7) Channu met a representative from Veershaiva International Association (VIA), Pune who are very interested associating with VSNA. He indicated about their possibility of their attending the convention and to participate in the Business Workshop, since their interest is in the economic areas of their community in Maharashtra.
- 8) Status of VSNA Awards: Vijay Aivalli and team is in process.
- 9) Status of VSNA-youth Scholarships: Dada Patil: In process, and requested that the deadline be extended for one more week.
- 10) Next BOD meeting and Closure: Channu and Leena thanked everyone for attending and providing input for this June BOD meeting.

The next meeting is on Friday, July 3, 2015. We will have a conference bridge available for those who cannot attend in person.