

# Veerashaiva Samaja of North America



## **VSNA BOD Meetings Minutes**

Date: Sunday, April 10, 2016

#### **Attendees:**

<u>Elected BOD Members:</u> Channu Kambalyal, Mamatha Hirannaiah, Leena Paul, Irappa Arabhavi, Neetha Dhananjaya, Nayantara Swamy, Yuvaraj Patil, Shivappa Palled, Shrishail Hadimani,

Past President: Vijay Kumar

Nominated BOD Members: Girish Budibetta (FL), Sangeeta Patil (GA), Savitha Shivananda (MD), Sanjeev Mungaravadi (Detroit), NB Patil (NE), Shiva Patil (NY), Ashwini Korategere (NC), Kevin Gangadhar (Pittsburg), Vidya Kondajji (TX-North), Vijaykumar Mallanagouda (Toronto)

<u>Invitees:</u> G.Doddamani (Advisory Committee chair), Dada Patil (BOR), MD Convention team: G. Jagadeesh, Shashidar Nagenalli, Tarakesh Siddalingiah

#### **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 March meeting minutes: Proposed by Mamatha Hirannaiah, Seconded by Shivappa Palled
- 5) BOR Updates:
  - a) Channu Kambalyal said that the By-Law committee has provided input and he has feedback from the attendees. He will draft out with all the changes and set up a call with BOR to finalize.
- 6) Voice of the Local Chapters:
  - a) NJ/NY: Shiva Patil attended the call. Channu thanked Shiva Patil to his services to VSNA on BOD and as a Chapter President for past 6 years.
  - b) <u>IL Chapter:</u> Neetha Dhananjaya: 130 people attended the Ugaadi function last evening; Lingu Pooja and Anubhav ghosti was conducted by Shrishail Hadimani.
  - c) <u>Texas North:</u> Vidya Kondajji updated: 70 people attended. Had Ugaadi function last evening with Lingu pooja and vachana recital. Prabhu Patil updated on upcoming VSNA Convention.
  - d) MD Chapter: Savitha Shivananda: Yesterday was Ugaadi—many attended, and convention preparations are in full swing by the youth and adults. Followed by Lingu pooja was Anubhav Ghosti is conducted by the youth, where they talk about one or two vachanas and how they affect them in their lives.
- 7) 2015 VSNA Convention Final Budget by Shiva Patil: They will be filling for money collected by the convention. They may be short by \$3K or less. Convention souvenirs have been sent to chapter presidents to forward them to their members.
- 8) 2016 VSNA-Budget and Tax Preparation by Irappa Arabhavi:

Income Overview							
#	Membership Type	Count	Amount				
1	Convention Trust Fund Earnings		\$ 17,939.00				
2	Life Membership	1	\$	500			
3	Annual Membership	5	\$	160			
5	2015 Scholarship Fund	0	\$	-			
7	Matrimonial	3	\$	300			
8	Convention trust fund donations	0	\$	-			
9	Donations		\$	-			
	Interest			·			

Total	\$ 18,899
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Donations/Deposits & Expenses Overview						
	Convention Trust fund earnings to 2016					
1	convention team (\$10,000 gave last year)		\$	6,145.10		
2	VSNA.ORG Hosting fee		\$	119.40		
3	VSNA Convention site hosting fee		\$	119.40		
4	The Lambeth Basaveshwara Foundation		\$	6,157.00		
	PNC Bank Service Charges (Basava Statue					
5	Check Stop Payment)		\$	33.00		
6	VSNA Convention Trust Fund II		\$	6,000.00		
7	VSNA Convention Trust Fund		\$	1,501.00		
8			\$	-		
9			\$	-		
10						
11	0		\$	-		
12	Other Expenses					
	Total		\$ 20,074.90			

**Difference Revenue Vs Expenses** 

\$ (1,175.90)

- 9) <u>2016 Convention Preparation</u>: G. Jagadeesh updated as follows:
  - i) About 120 people attended Ugaadi function yesterday. All the leads gave updates on progress in their committee to the general body.
  - ii) He has sent a presentation to all the chapter presidents to share in their chapters during the upcoming events. Visited VA the second time, NJ/NY and Skyped with TX chapter.
  - iii) Currently: 250 registrants; Target: 600-700. Need more family registered. We are about 65% towards the target, but please encourage your members to register before the registration goes up. He broke them according to states.
  - iv) Youth Sahithya is being promoted: Chapter Presidents, please nominate 3 youth per chapter for Jeopardy style vachana competition.
  - v) Monthly Newsletter-ChennuDi will be distributed through Central VSNA and Chapter Presidents to talk about the convention activities. January, February, and March issues are published and circulated to all.
  - vi) Program structure draft will be ready by next week.

#### 10) VIRC-Newsletter Committee: Shrishail Hadimani updated

- Had meeting yesterday—website revamp, streamlining various resources, and assignment of tasks.
- ii) Yuvaraj Patil added that they are looking into formats of epublication solutions. Target is to have something by the convention.

### 11) 2017-Convention Readiness: Updated by Sangeeta Patil

After several internal discussions and visiting venues, GA is reluctant to host convention in 2017 due to past experience of poor attendance, financial burden, and lack of resources. Channu, Nayanatara Swamy and Srishail Hadimani suggested looking outside Atlanta—and urged the GA to reconsider.

- 12) 2018-Convention Readiness: no new progress
- 13) <u>Scholarship awards</u>: Shivappa Palled updated that the email has gone out to everyone. Please urge children to apply for the Scholarship. The committee is looking for judges at this time—please send names. \$500 for first place and \$300 for second place in both HS and College category

- 14) <u>Election update</u>: Thej Kartal (MI), Latha Mallikarjuna (PA), Chandramauli (IL): Thej will contact Channu with the nominations-10 BOD open positions, and 2 BOR positions.
- 15) Awards committee Progress: Vijay Aivalli has sent notification to all.
- 16) Website update: Shiva Kumar Jolad from MD chapter is helping out—work in progress
- 17) By Laws update: Channu updated that all the items have been reviewed. He will create a final document and set up a call with BOR.
- 18) Rejuvenate Local Chapter: Please keep events open to all, and call the events as various Sharana jayanthis.
- 19) Life Membership Drive: no updates
- 20) <u>Youth representatives</u>: Leena reminded the chapter presidents to send names of one or more youth to the officers who are interested in being part of the Central VSNA youth team. Nayanatara suggested that the youth elect their leaders, which will be considered and a revised notification will be sent out in this week.
- 21) Next BOD meeting and Closure:

Channu and Leena thanked everyone for attending and providing input for this BOD meeting. The next meeting is on Sunday, May 15th, 2016.