

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Executive Committee

11:00 AM on 06th August 2023

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The monthly meeting of the EC of IASP was held at 11:00 AM on 06th August 2023. The following members were present.

1. Dr. Suresh Sharma
2. Dr. Dilip Kumar
3. Dr. Usha Ram
4. Dr. Jeetendra Yadav
5. Dr. Anil Chandran S
6. Dr. Ajay Kumar Singh
7. Dr. Rajesh Kumar Chauhan
8. Dr. Archana Muthye
9. Prof. V K Tiwari
10. Dr. Kunal Keshri

Other members were unable to attend due to prior commitments.

**The meeting agenda included the following items:**

**Confirmation of Last Monthly Meeting's Minutes:** The members confirmed the minutes of the July 2023 meeting.

**Information on Board of Trustees (BoT) Meeting:** The President provided updates on the BoT Meeting held on July 10, 2023, in Delhi. Changes and updates in the account sub-heads were discussed.

**Updates on the IASP Annual Conference:** The IASP committee members, including Drs. Usha Ram (chair), Anil Chandran, and Ajay K Singh, in consultation with Dr. Jalandha Pradahn of the local organizing committee, will prepare a draft conference program. This draft will be shared with the IASP EC team by August 2023, for discussion in the scheduled September monthly meeting or earlier if possible. The program will outline the number of plenary sessions, technical sessions, poster sessions, GB Meeting, Simmons memorial lecture, Chandrashekhar award, felicitation, and essay competition award, among other aspects.

The names for the George Simmons memorial and Felicitation will be gathered via an email from Usha to all EC members within a week.

Sub-committees for various tasks will be formed in the next monthly meeting, and themes/organizations for the plenary session will be identified.

The President, General Secretary, and the Treasurer will collaborate to prepare a budget for the conference to seek financial support, with Dr. Jeetendra leading this effort.

Members were urged to attend the annual conference and book tickets as soon as possible. Group booking options will be explored once specific names for various activities, including felicitations and the Simmons memorial lecture, are available.

Additionally, a one-day pre-conference workshop for skill development for young demographers is being considered. A committee, chaired by Dr. Anil Chandran and including Drs. Rajesh K Chouhan and Jalandhar Pradhan, will draft a plan for this workshop. Themes such as Research ethics, Research methodology, Survey design, and Data quality were suggested by Dr. Usha.

Dr. Rajesh suggested that PSI may fund a session on FP or Urban Health for the 44th conference. He and the President will contact Dr. Mukesh Sharma, ED-PSI, to discuss this possibility.

**Essay Competition:** The Essay Competition Committee, comprising Drs. Dilip Kumar, Ajay K Singh, and Archana Muthye, were requested to provide details of the competition promptly.

**Other Matters:** The forthcoming distinguished lecture by Prof. Lisa Stronchein is scheduled for August 11, 2023. Due to the IASP annual conference, the lecture for November is canceled. Dr. Anil C. will schedule a lecture for September, and Dr. Suresh Sharma will do the same for October. Suggestions for lecture topics beginning from December 2023 and onward are invited from other members.

Furthermore, the papers from the Srinagar conference will be divided among EC members (handled by Dr. Rajesh) for a preliminary review. Authors will have the opportunity to update their papers before they are submitted to the Editorial Board for processing as a supplementary volume of the DI.

The meeting concluded with the acknowledgement of any other items discussed under the Chair's permission.

The meeting ended with a formal vote of thanks.

