

# **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, ISOLA, AHMEDABAD**

# MINUTES OF MEETING of the 42nd EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: 24.11.2012 at ISOLA Office, Ahmedabad

### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

#### **Fellows**

Mr. Rohit Marol (RM), Honorary President

Mr. Sachin Jain (SJ), Honorary Secretary

Mr. Ashish Patankar (AP)

Mr. Yogesh Kapoor (YK)

### **Associates**

Mr. Anuj Malhotra (AM)

### **Chapter Representatives**

Mr. Minesh Parikh (MP), Chapter representative from Delhi

## MEMBERS NOT PRESENT (with prior leave of absence):

#### **Fellows**

Ms. Varsha Gavandi (VG), Honorary Vice-president

Mr. Manguesh Prabhugaonkar (MP), Treasurer

Mr. Abhijit Natu (AN)

Ms. Savita Punde (SP), Past President

#### **Associates**

Mr. Shivram Somasundaram (SS)

### **Chapter Representatives**

Ms. Urmila Rajadhyaksha (UR), Chapter representative from Mumbai Mr. T. M. Chengappa (TMC), Chapter representative from Chennai

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	Rohit Marol, President ISOLA chaired the meeting and welcomed all members present.	
1	Pending issues of Bhopal Conference	
а	Status of letter of thanks	
	Secretary informed that they have been sent to all people as decided earlier.	
b	Status of accounts	
	Will be put up for approval in the AGM in the afternoon today.	SJ
С	Status of conference proceedings for DVD	
	Transcripts have been received for editing from Pinpoint Meida and will be sent to the for DVD production as soon as they are checked.	SJ, YK
d	Status of follow-ups	
	All follow ups are complete. For the post-conference brochure help of Prof. Shaheer will be requested and some volunteers will be enlisted to help him with it.	SJ
е	Status of participation certificates  Have been dispatched by post to the people who could not collect them at the conference.	

2	Elections to the Executive Council The election schedule was decided and will be announced by the secretary shortly. The dates are as follows: Notice announcing elections - 17.12.2012 Receipt of Nominations - 17.01.2013 Scrutiny & Dispatch of Ballot Papers - 30.01.2013 Receipt of Ballots - 15.03.2013 Counting of Ballots & Announcement of Results - 16.03.2013 Sh. Rajnikant Trivedi was appointed as Election Officer to conduct the elections.	SJ
3	Status of Local Chapter elections from Bangalore Rohit informed that the election process has been completed and the result and the names of the Executive Committee members will be announced soon.	
4	Discuss the calender finalized in view of the conference dates being shifted by Delhi Chapter to 2014  All chapters to conduct the election process by 16th March 2012.  Delhi Chapter to conduct the next event on 2nd Macrh 2012 (the date earlier designated for conference).	
5	Status of Donor listing - need to upload the names of Bhopal sponsors and provide links to their websites as decided immediately. Send reposnse to the 2-3 pending mails from vendors, informing them of the vendor listing program.  Proposals of Donors received to be forwarded to Resource Committee (Varsha & Yogesh) for final scrutiny before uploading on website. Rohit to facilitate uploading of Bhopal Donor names on website.	VG & YK
6	Decision on Research proposal forwarded by Dr. Sridevi Rao, pending with ISOLA It was decided to tell her that 2.5 lakh is the maximum budget that ISOLA could afford and needed to know that what could be done by her in that. The final proposal to be requested to be vetted from Dr. Priyaleen Singh.	VG
7	Update on Professional Code of Conduct It was decided to add the Accounting Workshop guidelines also on the Code of Conduct.	AP
8	Update on next Newsletter from Abhijit Abhijit to prepare the last newsletter of this EC's term by the last week of Decemebr and send for circulation Simultaneously, Rohit to arrange upload of Awards brochure, pictures & snippets of Bhopal also on the website with the help of Adit Pal.	AN RM, AP
9	Update on Pune Chapter formation progress and 2014 conference status No information as Varsha and Abhijit not available	VG
10	Distribution of ISOLA Membership certificates, which could not be picked by most members at the conference - to be approved to be sent by courier.  Approval granted by all members present.	SJ
11	Update on ISOLA Archives No information since Savita Punde not present.	SP

- Status of filing of finalized bye-laws with the charity commissioner

  A lot of paperwork pertaining to the past terms of the EC right from 2003 including the composition and details of the past and current EC members is pending to be filed with the charity commissioner's office. In order to complete this paperwork and get the records of the society in order, we need to get sets of relevant documents (in 2 sets) signed by all past and current EC members besides other paperwork involved. Efforts are currently being made to complete and comply with this paperwork. As soon as this complete, the new byelaws will be notified.
- Ratify all decisions taken at the 40th EC meeting at Bhopal conference and 41st conference call meeting
  All decisions were ratified and the minutes taken on record.
- Case of Fraudulent Practice brought to the notice of ISOLA President by member Mr. Samir Mathur. Decide on action to be taken legal advice?

  To be decided by the next EC after elections
- 15 Issue letter of support to Indian Nurserymen Association for their December event and finalize 1 or 2 speakers.

Honorary Secretary was authorized to issue the letter of support and permit use of logo for this event. To request ISOLA Delhi Chapter chairperson to designate speaker and also look for possibility of interacting in Delhi Conference. We have to convey to them that our intent is to work together on improving knowledge of plant material & nomenclature. To seek their help in preparing regionwise data base of native & naturalized plant material, which would be mutually benificial.

- Discuss the issue of accredition to 2 schools for the landscape courses being run by them. Discuss the response of education board on it.

  No response received from education board. Convenor not present. Issue to be forwarded again for response.
- Discuss and analyze the balance of all bank accounts of ISOLA

  Balances discussed. Manguesh to be requested to reconcile the cross balances between all ISOLA accounts.
- Take up the letters form Mr. T. M. Chengappa and Prof. Bhagwat and decide course of action.

The President informed that he has received two complaints, one from Mr. T. M. Chengappa dated 21.11.2012 enquiring the status of his complaint made to the then Secretary of ISOLA dated 17 June 2010 on alleged irregularities and illegalities with documents of the society during the tenure of the Executive Council from 2003 to 2009 under the President-ship of Prof. Bhagwat and also that why no cognigance has been taken of that complaint till date. The second is an open letter from Prof. Prabhakar Bhagwat sent to select ISOLA members, which was subsequently forwarded to the Executive Council also in which he has raised questions on the manner of functioning of the present executive council. On the advice of the members of the Executive Council, the President informed that an impartial enquiry committee consisting of impartial senior members of the profession would be constituted to conduct an enquiry into both these complaints and suggest appropriate action based on its findings.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to all members and special invitees by the President, Mr. Rohit Marol.

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