Proceedings of General Body Meeting of SAPI on 22.12.16 at Mhow, M.P.

The general body meeting of Society of Animal Physiologists of India (SAPI) held on 22.12.2016 at College of Veterinary Science, Mhow (MP) during XXV Annual Conference. Dr. P.S.P.Gupta, General Secretary welcomed all the members for the meeting and tabled various agenda for the discussion. The items discussed and the resolutions that were made during the meeting are listed below:

1. Confirmation of the proceedings of previous general body meeting held in Jan 2016

The members of the SAPI approved the proceedings of the previous general body meeting held at College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Guwahati during Jan 2016. The members felt to implement all the decisions made in the previous general body meeting at the earliest.

2. Statement of Accounts of SAPI for the year 2016.

Dr. Ashish Mishra, the treasurer of SAPI expressed that the accounts of SAPI transactions could not be audited as the audit period is from 1^{st} January to 31^{st} December every year. However, he presented the statement of accounts of the society with all the details on receipts, expenditure and the balance as on 20^{th} December, 2016. He expressed that the same would be audited after 31.12.2016. The members approved the statement of accounts and asked the treasurer to get it audited immediately after 31^{st} December 2016 and to circulate the same to all the members through mail. (A: Dr. Ashish Mishra)

3. Generation of corpus fund to support Zonal Level SAPI Quiz

The president and general secretary appreciated organizers of different zones for successful hosting of Zonal Level SAPI quiz. As there is a demand for the financial support for the organizer of zonal level quiz, the president highlighted the benefit of generating corpus fund exclusively to support the SAPI quiz at zonal level. Dr. V.H.Rao and Dr. M.L.Madan announced a contribution of 1 Lakh each for this contribution. All the executive members also promised to contiribute gnenerously towards SAPI student quiz trust fund. The president requested all the members to voluntarily and generously contribute for this fund to make it at least 5 Lakhs. It was resolved to make use of only the interest earned by fixed depositing the corpus fund towards financial support for the Zonal level organizers. It was also resolved that the share of each zone shall be decided on the number of participating teams in respective zones. *(A: General Secretary, Treasurer and all the members of the society)*

4. Enhancement of Life membership fee

It was decided to enhance the life membership fee from existing Rs. 2100 to 3000 (including registration fee) which shall be in force from 1st January, 2017.

5. Online publication of SAPI journal

It was resolved to publish the SAPI journal online. It was resolved not to collect any processing fee initially for two years. (A: Dr. J P Ravindra)

6. Participation of delegates in technical sessions

The patron, president and other members expressed their concern over the poor attendance of delegates and also not presenting their paper/poster in technical sessions during the conference. The members participating in the conference were requested to attend the technical sessions and present their papers to make the conference meaningful and successful.

7. Payment of publication fee at the time of submission of abstracts.

It was decided to collect a fee of Rs. 500/- at the time of submission of abstracts from presenting author where in one presenting author can submit a maximum of 3 abstracts. This fee will be adjusted towards his/her registration fee at the time of registration to the conference. If he/she fails to register for the conference, this fee shall not be refunded but the abstracts will be published in the compendium. (*A: Org. secretary of next conference*)

8. SAPI Awards

It was resolved that the candidate applying for any of the SAPI awards must be a life member of the society at the time submitting his/her application for the award and a copy of his/her registration certificate shall be enclosed with the application/ registration number shall be clearly mentioned in the application. The delegates competing for the best oral paper/poster awards should become life member on the first day of the conference if he/she is not life member of the society.

It was also decided to start a new award **"Best Research Paper Award"** to the SAPI member for publishing a best research paper in peer reviewed national/ international journals every year covering the period January to December. The eligibility and selection criteria for this award will be notified in due course of time. (A: General Secretary)

9. Periodical review of progress of hosting the Annual Conference of SAPI

It was felt that periodical review of progress made in organizing Annual Conference by the host institute is necessary to support/guide the organizing secretary so that gross lapses in hosting the conference could be avoided. Therefore, it was decided to periodically visit the venue of the conference by the office bearer/executive committee member of SAPI/ organizing secretaries of previous conferences to assess the progress made in hosting the conference.

10. Venue of Next Annual Conference of SAPI

The General secretary informed that the Registrar, Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences University, Bidar has sent a proposal to host the Annual Conference of SAPI-2017 at Veterinary College, Bidar. It was approved to host XXVI Annual Conference of SAPI 2017-18 by Veterinary College, Bidar with Dr. Shrikant Kulkarni, Associate Professor, Dept. of Veterinary Physiology and Biochemistry as the Organizing Secretary. (A: Dr. Shrikant Kulkarni)

The meeting ended with vote of thanks by Dr. Ashish Mishra, Treasurer of SAPI.

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