

Meeting was called to order by Dr. Ramesh Naram, President, GMC GA. He has kindly assumed the position of Presidency and continued because of unexpected passing away of Dr. Sarla Rao's husband.

Meeting was called to order at 11:40 a.m. There were 40 dues paid members or life members, hence constituted the quorum. The following were deliberated and approved:

1. The minutes of the third annual meeting of the GMC Global Alliance from 06/06/2009 were presented by Dr. Naram. Each item was discussed in great detail highlighting the changes in the bylaws that occurred during the 06/2009 meeting in Chicago, a copy of which has been provided to the members present at the time of the meeting and voting. These amendments have also been posted on the website.
2. Dr. Naram also updated about the key events that occurred during the third annual meeting in which Dr. Lingaiah, President of the GMC AA updated the AEC facilities and current status and Dr. M. Narsing Rao updated the medical education in general in India and Gandhi Medical College in particular.
3. Dr. Govind Rao had few questions and clarifications and these were answered satisfactorily.
4. Before the meeting started formally, Dr. R.D. Kumar, in-charge of the bylaws and constitution informed the audience that only those who have paid 1000 dollars or more by definition are life members and have the voting privileges and those who have paid annual dues of 100 dollars per year also eligible for voting, and according to our records, there were no annual members for 2009/2010, therefore only the life members will be voting during the deliberations.
5. Next, Dr. Naram invited Dr. K.P. Sharma to read detailed letter of current status of AEC from Dr. Lingaiah. This letter will be circulated to the membership later on, but the entire letter was read with the exception of certain personal information, which was also included in this letter. All of this information in that letter was acknowledged and made part of these minutes. There was no voting required.
6. During the presentation, there was also some clarification regarding the donations earmarked for e-library in the AEC versus e-library in the medical college. It was also unclear to the members about contribution of the 1967 batch to the e-library initially and last year. This was elaborated further and clarified by Dr. Sudhakar Rao, Secretary of the GMC AA, who was also involved in the initial negotiations, discussions with 1967 class and clarified to the members that the class donated 70,000 dollars during early part of the AEC construction and that was used as part of the overall construction plan although there was some misunderstanding of the issues and later on another 30,000 dollars was collected for computers and upgrading. This 30,000 dollars collected last year will be specifically earmarked and will not be used for general funding. Dr. Govind Rao was satisfied with the explanation.
7. In the letter from Dr. Lingaiah, it was also requested that Rs. 50,000 be paid for by the GMC AA towards the NTR University Internet access fee, Dr. K.P. Sharma recommended that it be followed through.