

Minutes of 33rd Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) held on 31st May 2009 at PGP Kalyana Mandapam, Serangoon Road, Singapore

1. The meeting originally scheduled at 2:00 PM has begun at 2.30 PM due to lack of quorum. Mr. Akunuri Suresh Kumar, the Hon Secretary has welcomed the members to the 33rd Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) and requested the President of Singapore Telugu Samajam Mr. Arimilli Radha Krishna (hereafter ARK) to conduct the AGM. He also invited the Hon Treasurer Mrs. Chada Anitha Kumari and Hon. Auditor Mrs. T.Sri Rama Devi to come on to the stage
2. ARK has requested the members to pay homage to Former STS President late Dr. Sadhu P Rao and Senior Member & Former HEB Chairman late VR Nathan by observing silence for a minute. ARK also briefly highlighted their contributions to the STS and Hindu community in Singapore.
3. On Agenda Item (1), before put the motion, ARK has asked the floor if there any questions and comments regarding 32nd AGM meeting minutes.
4. Mr. Peri Venkata Ramana raised a question on number of observers attended for 32nd AGM and asked if AGM really need any observers. Mr. Peri Venkata Ramana has also proposed to pass a resolution for not to have observers in future AGMs. Prof. B.V.R Chowdari has raised concern on the resolution as he feels any other business which is not in agenda cannot be allowed unless advance notice in writing has been submitted. For that Mr. Peri Venkata Ramana confirmed that he has requested President in advance to take the same in AGM. Mr. Mohandas Naidu opined it is not necessary to pass a resolution on observers to take a decision at this juncture. ARK has said as there are no official guidelines in appointing observers and it's up to Management committee's discretion, we will keep the issue of observers as open and no motion shall be taken.
5. Mr. Peri Venkata Ramana has asked if a person who was not present in the particular AGM can propose or second the minutes of that AGM. He has also sighted an example of 31st AGM minutes and he mentioned that both proposer and seconder were not present in 31st AGM. ARK has clarified that only members who are present in AGM can propose or second the minutes of that AGM in next AGM.
6. Mr. Ch.V.Sambasiva Rao has asked if anyone is taking minutes for which ARK confirmed that Mr. Malisetty Hareesh Rayala is recording the minutes.
7. Mr. Ch.V.Sambasiva Rao has asked (point 7 of 32nd AGM minutes) if the current STS committee received membership drive data or not for which ARK confirmed that they received the data.
8. Mr. Ch.V.Sambasiva Rao has asked (point 22 of 32nd AGM minutes) for the copy of observers report on 32nd AGM proceedings for which ARK mentioned that MC did not receive any observers report from the previous committee and he also mentioned that he has checked with past president Prof. B.V.R.Chowdari on the same and understand that no report has been taken from observers as there were no discrepancies found in 32nd AGM Proceedings.



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9. Mr. Ch.V.Sambasiva Rao has asked for video recording CD (Point 27 of 32nd AGM minutes) and ARK has said that video CD has not been received from previous committee. Mr. Bandi Venu (previous Hon Secretary) has confirmed that he will handover the CD within 10 days.
10. Mr. T.Lakshmi Narayana has mentioned that some of the active members did not receive physical copies of AGM notices for which ARK mentioned that physical copy of AGM notice has been posted to all active members and however he will look into this and ensure that future communication will not have that issue.
11. Mrs. Shyamala requested to send the AGM minutes immediately after the AGM rather than after a year along with AGM notice for which ARK mentioned that we will send the AGM minutes at the earliest right after the AGM.
12. Mr. Peri Venkata Ramana has asked why STS (point 12 of 32nd AGM minutes) was associated for Chirutha program and suggested that functions which are not related to Telugu culture, customs & traditions should not be encouraged.
13. Mr. R.G. Naidu has asked on the logo (AP map) on the letter head of AGM notice and asked whether it was registered for which ARK mentioned that it was adapted from previous committee and assured that it will not be used in future.
14. Mr. T.Lakshmi Narayana has raised an issue that members didn't receive detailed election results report from the chairman of 32nd AGM and suggested in future chairman should send an update on the elections result with the detailed report to the members.
15. All the 32nd AGM minutes are accepted by the AGM without any amendments. Mrs. Shyamala has proposed and Mrs.Vijaya Putty has seconded.
16. On agenda Item(2), before put the motion, ARK has asked the floor if there are any questions or comments regarding Income/Expenditure for the year ending 31st Mar 2009
17. Mr. Peri Venkata Ramana has asked if the auditors have signed on every voucher for which Mrs. T.Sri Rama Devi mentioned they checked all the vouchers but not signed on all the vouchers. Mr. Peri Venkata Ramana has suggested seeing future auditors will sign on all vouchers for which ARK has mentioned that this point will be noted.
18. Mr. Mohan Das Naidu has requested for the clarification on high cash Payables/receivables for which Mrs. Chada Anitha Kumari has clarified that it was due to two major programs conducted in March09.
19. Mr. T.Lakshmi Narayana has raised issue on cash receivables from previous committee for which Previous Treasurer, Mr.C.Ramanjaneyulu has clarified on the delay and mentioned that it was overlooked
20. Mr. Ch.V.Sambasiva Rao has asked on when the present committee got the full control on bank transactions for which Mrs. Chada Anitha Kumari has mentioned that it was from January 2009 and all the transaction done in cash until January. ARK has clarified that the long time was due to the delays in communication with bank on change of mandate. ARK has assured the hand over will be done in lesser time in future.
21. On request from the members, Mrs. Chada Anitha Kumari has presented the high level breakdown of the 32nd AGM expenses.
22. Mr. Ch.V.Sambasiva Rao asked for total amount of expenses without invoices/vouchers for which Mrs. Chada Anitha Kumari has mentioned that invoice/vouchers were not available for total amount of SGD 12295 (of which 11500 from previous committee). Previous committee has justified for the expenses for which vouchers were not there. Mr. Peri Venkata Ramana suggested without vouchers large amounts cannot be accounted and asked



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- MC to minute in MC meeting minutes if such need arises. Prof. B.V.R.Chowdari mentioned that if the MC is satisfied with the accounts then it should not go in detail again in AGM for which Mr. Peri Venkata Ramana and Mr. T.Lakshmi Narayana did not agree. ARK also mentioned that though MC is satisfied with accounts but the floor has right to ask for the details and seek the clarification. Mr.Peri venkata Ramana and Mr.T.Lakshmi Naryana appreciated the open discussion on accounts.
23. Mr. Mohan Das Naidu has asked the approximate expenses for 33rd AGM for which ARK has mentioned that it should be around SGD 1000.
 24. Income and Expenditure statement for the year ending 31.03.2009 was approved by AGM. Mr. T.Lakshmi Narayana has proposed and Mr. B.Satya Srinivas has seconded.
 25. On agenda item (3), ARK has presented the Annual Report along with the list of programs conducted during 2008-2009 period and presented draft of future programs. ARK thanked all the volunteers, elders and sponsors for the support rendered in pursue of bringing quality programs and thanked grand sponsors of Anandha Lahari Program Indu Projects and Mr. Kumar Nittala. He also thanked STS management committee members for their dedication, invaluable services providing in uplifting the samajam image to greater heights. Mr. Peri Venkata Ramana has come forward to sponsor a program for the forthcoming Vijayadasami & Deepavali programme in October. He also suggested conducting as whole day program instead of the evening.
 26. On agenda item (4), ARK mentioned that this item is not carried out as there was no required quorum present. Mr. Mohan Das Naidu has also highlighted quorum must be present at the beginning of the AGM in order to proceed with Constitutional amendments. Since this item is not being taken place in last few attempts due to lack of quorum, Mr. Ch.V.Sambasiva Rao has suggested considering the postal votes for constitutional amendments according to the article 22.1 of the constitution.
 27. Mr. Peri Venkata Ramana has suggested AGM to be conducted before June during election year for which ARK has also clarified that this year AGM was delayed for a month due to two major events conducted in March and he assured that next AGM will be conducted before June.
 28. On agenda item (5) , ARK has thanked two outgoing honorary auditors Mrs. T.Sri Rama Devi and Mr. A.Uma Jagadesh for their sincere efforts in auditing accounts for year 2008-2009 and requested floor to elect two honorary auditors for the year 2009-2010. In response, Mr. Peri Venkata Ramana has proposed Mr. Chirla Satya Narayana Reddy as honorary auditor and seconded by Mr. T.Lakshmi Narayana. Mr. Ayab Masthan has proposed Mr. K.Bhaskar Chowdary as honorary auditor and seconded by Mr. Subhadra Raju. ARK declared that Mr. Chirla Satyanarayana Reddy and Mr. K.Bhaskar Chowdary are elected as honorary auditors for the year 2009-2010.
 29. Mr. Ch.V.Sambasiva Rao has requested to have the list of last election contestants with their proposer and seconder details and vote cast report against individual for which ARK mentioned that MC was not received any report from previous committee.
 30. ARK mentioned that some of the receipt books were not received from the previous committee for which Mr Bandi Venu (Hon. Secretary of previous MC) said he will check and try to track of those receipt books.
 31. Mr. V.Satya Murthy has suggested to all the members to forget the past and work in constructive manner to work for the betterment for the Samajam.



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