

Proceedings of the Governing Council Meeting of National Academy of Veterinary Science held on 12. 08. 2011 (12th August 2011) at Veterinary Council of India Head Quarters, August Kranti Bhavan, New Delhi

The meeting of Governing Council was held on 12.08.2011 at 10:00 AM in the Conference Room of VCI under the Chairmanship of Prof. Dr. M.P. Yadav (President). Following members of the Governing Council were present:

1. President: Prof. Dr. M.P. Yadav
2. Vice President: Col. Dr. V.K. Bhatnagar
3. Secretary: Prof. Gaya Prasad
4. Treasurer: Dr. Lal Krishna
5. (Ex officio member): Lt.Gen. N. Mohanty, President VCI Member
6. Prof. R.R. Shukla (Immediate Past President)
7. Dr. Harpal Singh, Member
8. Dr. Arvind Kumar Srivastava, Member
9. Member: Prof. D.N. Garg, Member
10. Dr. P.N. Khana, Member
11. Dr. R.K. Singh, Member
12. Maj. Gen. Dr. Sri Kant Sharma, Member
13. Dr. D.V.R. Prakash Rao, Special Invitee

However, Ex-Officio member: Prof. K.M.L. Pathak, Dr. A.S. Nanda, AHC (Ex- officio member), Lt. Gen. Dr. J.K. Srivastava (Ex-officio member), Prof. R.N. Kohli (Immediate past secretary), Dr. Suresh S. Hannappagol (Member), Dr. Nem Singh (Member), Prof. N.N. Pathak (Member), Dr. P.P. Gupta (Member), Dr. T.S. Chandrashekhar Rao (Member), Col. Dr. R.P. Garg (Member), Prof. Allaudin Ahmed (Member), Dr. J.M. Kataria (Member), Brig. Dr. Jagvir Singh, (Member) and Special invitees: Dr. S.K. Dwivedi, Dr. M.C. Sharma (Director, IVRI), Dr. A.K. Srivastava (Director, NDRI) could not attend the GC meeting.

The President Prof. Dr. M.P. Yadav formally welcomed all the present in the meeting. Dr. Yadav congratulated Lt. Gen. N. Mohanty on becoming President of Veterinary Council of India. Dr. Yadav expressed his appreciation of all those who contributed financially for improving the financial position of NAVS. He emphasized that until unless the financial position of the Academy improves, it cannot effectively carry out its mandated activities. In view of this, he once again called upon all the members to help in generating finances for the Academy.

Transaction of Agenda

Confirmation of Proceedings of the last GC meeting

Since no objection/comment was received by the president/secretary regarding the proceedings of previous GC meeting held on 17.02.2011 at IDA Building (already circulated), were confirmed and approved as true record of the meeting.

Action taken report on the previous meeting

The action taken report was presented by the Secretary which was approved with following observations:

1. Dr. R. R. Shukla, presented a Cheque of Rs. 1, 50, 000/ for institution of Prof. R.R. Kiran Shukla Award. The modalities of the award will be put-up in the web for suggestions of the Fellows and members within a month by the committee comprising Dr. Lal Krishna, Dr. P.N. Khanna and Dr. Gaya Prasad.
2. The Directory of NAVS should be updated every three years. If possible, the Directory should include photograph of the fellows/members. The Directory should be published by next year end. Dr. Prakash Rao, Special Invitee to the meeting made a gesture to sponsor the expenditure on the publication of the next edition of the Directory which was accepted by the GC with appreciation for Dr. Rao.
3. Brainstorming discussion on veterinary education was approved by the GC.
4. For publication of News Letter, some sponsor(S) may be roped in.
5. The announcement of the dates of the next convocation of NAVS may be published in IJV in the form of News item.
6. The name of the committee, i.e. Finance Committee or International Revenue Generation Committee may be kept as approved by the GC during its meeting on 17th Feb., 2011. However, somehow no meeting of this very important committee could be held. After detailed discussion, it was decided that this committee should be expanded to include four regional units, namely Southern, Western, Northern and Eastern with one Chairman and two members. Dr Prakash Rao from Chennai will be the coordinator for these regional units as Special Invitee to the governing council. He will also be the chairman of the Southern Unit based in Chennai. He will select two members from amongst the NAVS Fellows for the Southern Unit. The office bearers of other three regional units will be nominated subsequently.
7. The date of organization of International Conference on Buffalo Development for Rural India has been postponed and the new dates will be informed as and when decided.

Current Agenda items:

1. Financial position of NAVS

All the members expressed their concern and suggested that possibility of getting regular funding support from government be seriously explored. It was suggested that the Academy should continue to make efforts to generate money through organization of conferences/symposia, personal donation, industry donation, sponsorships in the webpage, etc.

2. Annual Convention and Convocation of NAVS at Bikaner on 12th and 13th November, 2011.

Theme, dates and venue of the Annual Convention and Convocation were confirmed as follows:

Theme: “Veterinary Profession: Challenges and Opportunities under WTO Regime”

Dates: 12-13 November 2011

Venue: Rajasthan Veterinary & Animal Science University, Bikaner

The GC also approved that the organizers may charge Registration Fee of Rs. 2500/ from all those who wish to attend the convention except NAVS Fellows & Members.

3. Publication of books authored by eminent professionals

The GC agreed to publish books under the banner of National Academy of Veterinary Sciences provided there is no financial liability on the Academy and also some percent share (negotiable) on the royalty/sale proceeds of the publication to the Academy. All those prospective authors who wish to publish books/monographs under the banner of NAVS should take prior approval from the GC.

4. Group discussion/brain storming session on Veterinary Education in India: Present Status and Future Road Map.

GC agreed to organize group discussion on “**Veterinary Education in India: Present Status and Future Road Map**”.

5. Guide lines for nomination of foreign fellows, Corporate Associates and members

The proposed guide lines were agreed by the GC.

6. Desirability of publication of NAVS Journal

In view of the financial constraints as well as availability of several Indian journals on Veterinary, Animal and Poultry Sciences it was decided not to start publication of journal under the banner of NAVS.

7. Publication of Directory of NAVS every year

GC decided that a complete Directory may be published once in three years, if possible with photographs.

8. NAVS should have Secretary General in place of Secretary

The issue was thoroughly discussed by GC members and decided that NAVS will have one Secretary General and two Joint Secretaries to take different responsibilities. Since change of the designation and creation of new position requires approval of General Body, the agenda will be taken to GB. The Secretary General will be elected at the time of elections to the Governing Council as other office bearers where as Joint Secretaries will be nominated by the from amongst the GC members by nomination by the GC.

9. The Editor of the News Letter be made Editor-in-Chief and should be listed as one of the office bearers

The GC members felt that the News letter is very small in content and size; it may not be good idea to have Editor-in-Chief in place of Editor at present.

10. Holding of informal monthly meetings of office bearers without claiming TA/DA.

The GC approved this provided there is no financial involvement on the part of NAVS. The editor or any other GC Member may be invited in the meeting by the President.

11. Mushrooming of private Veterinary Colleges.

All the members showed their concern about very poor teaching infrastructure in most of the Private Veterinary Colleges. VCI president also showed his serious concern about it and suggested that there should be efforts from all possible organizations to create pressure on such institutions. The concern was also shown regarding the dismal conditions in some of the state veterinary colleges as well as veterinary universities.

12. Nomination of special invitees

GC agreed to the agenda and suggested that a list of special invitees with their brief biodata may be brought to GC for approval. However, the President may invite any Fellow as Special Invitee in the interest of the Academy.

13. Amendment of By-laws of NAVS.

GC agreed to the amendments and suggested that a complete proposal, clearly showing the amendments to be brought to GC and then put-up to GB for approval.

Any other agenda with the permission of Chair

- i. Secretary brought the agenda of election of Fellows and members for year 2011 with the permission of the chair.

A total of 10 persons applied for Fellowship/Membership of the Academy. The recommendation of the committee was put to GC for its

approval. After thorough discussion GC recommended following names for Fellowship and Membership:

Fellows

1. Dr. Deepak Sharma
Principal Scientist, Poultry, CARI, Izatnagar
2. Prof. N.R. Pradhan
Department of Veterinary Medicine
WBUAFS, Kolkata
3. Col. Devender Kumar
Deputy Director of Defence Institute of Bioenergy Research
Post Arjunpur, Uttarakhand
4. Col. Tej Ram, Dir RVS (RM)
(MoD), West Block III, R.K. Puram, ND
5. Brig. N.S. Kanwar
Equine Breeding Stud
Babugarh, Ghaziabad

Members

1. Dr. Rajeev Singh
Associate Professor
Division of Clinical Veterinary Medicine
College of Veterinary Sciences, Jammu
2. Dr. M.M. Appannavar
Head, Planning and Monitoring Cell
KAFSU, Nandi Nagar Campus, Bidar

ii. Award of Honorary Fellowship to Dr N.R. Bhasin, President, IDA.

GC unanimously decided to award NAVS Honorary Fellowship to Dr. N.R. Bhasin, President, IDA.

Similarly, at Agenda 5, the guide lines may also be given as Annexure for ready reference. For Sl. No. 6 under ATR:

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With Greetings

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

General Secretary
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President
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