Minutes of the 9th General Body Meeting of ISEAC

The 9th General Body meeting of the members of ISEAC was held on Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at 1900 hrs in Seminar Hall, Training School Hostel, Anushaktinagar, Mumbai. Total 18 members attended the meeting. In the absence of sufficient quorum, the meeting was adjourned for 15 minutes and started again at 19:15 hrs at the same place. Secretary Dr. Saurav K. Guin welcomed the members and requested Dr. S.K. Aggarwal, President, ISEAC to preside over the meeting.

The Agenda of the meeting was.:

- 1. Approval of the minutes of the8th General Body Meeting held on Friday, February 21, 2014 at 19:00 hrs in Hotel Radisson Blue, Amritsar at the venue of 11th ISEAC-DM-2014.
- 2. Secretary's report (April 1, 2013- March 31, 2016).
- 3. Approval of the audited accounts for 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016.
- 4. Announcement of Elections Results (April 1, 2016- March 31, 2019).
- 5. Appointment of the auditor and fixation of audit fees for 2016-2017.
- 6. Discussion on the future plans of the Society.
- 7. Increase in the life-membership fee of ISEAC
- 8. Any specific items to be discussed (please intimate in writing or by email to info@iseac.org addressing the Secretary before April 20, 2017)
- 9. Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

Before starting the meeting Secretary ISEAC has requested of condoning the delay in conducting the general body meeting. The proposal was proposed by Dr. P.R.Nair and seconded by Dr. A. Banerjee and it was unanimously accepted by the general meeting.

The agenda of the meeting was then taken up for discussion point by point and presented as follows.

1) Approval of minutes of the 8th General Body Meeting

The minutes were read by Dr. Saurav K. Guin, Secretary, ISEAC. The approval of the minutes was proposed by Dr. D. Alamelu and it was seconded by Dr. S. K. Ghosh.

2) Secretary's Report (April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2016)

I, along with the Executive Committee members of ISEAC, welcome you all to this 9th General Body meeting of ISEAC members. Some of the highlights of the ISEAC activities during 2013-16 are given below:

Life-Members: 49 new members joined ISEAC during April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2016. There are 239 life-members as on March 31, 2016.

11th ISEAC Discussion Meet: ISEAC organized Eleventh ISEAC International Discussion Meet on Electrochemistry and its Applications (11th ISEAC-DM-2014) during February 20-25, 2014 at Radisson Blu Hotel, Amritsar. About 150 delegates participated in this Discussion Meet. 11th ISEAC-DM-2014 was spread over 16 technical sessions including 32 Invited talks by distinguished researchers from within India and overseas, 6 Short Lectures, 67 Contributed Papers (presented as posters) and 12 Research Scholars' Papers (presented as orals). A special Session viz. "Unconference" and a Panel Discussion on "Emerging Trends in Electrochemistry" were also organized during this event. The extended Abstracts were brought out in the form of a bound Volume as well as a CD-ROM. On behalf of the Executive Committee of ISEAC and the Organising Committee of 11th ISEAC-DM-2014, I take this opportunity to thank various funding agencies, ISE, BES as well as the advertisers for supporting this event. One special issue named "Electroanalysis in India" is published in the peer-reviewed international journal Electroanalysis by the Guest Editor, Dr. S. K. Aggarwal, by selecting 16 contributed papers from the event through the guided process of *Electroanalysis*.

ISEAC Bulletin: The first Issue of Volume 3 of ISEAC Bulletin cum Souvenir viz "HEAT" was released during 11th ISEAC-DM-2014. Two tutorial articles viz. "Carbon Nanotubes and its Significance in Electrochemistry" by Prof. Annamalai Senthil Kumar and "Introduction of Electrodeposition of Metals and Alloys" by Dr. S. K. Ghosh were published in this issue. I, personally and on the behalf of ISEAC, convey our sincere thanks to the authors of these articles. The Bulletin cum Souvenir was given to all the Life-Members of ISEAC as well as to the advertisers and Sponsors. I invite Members of ISEAC to contribute tutorial articles for the future issues.

Dr. A.K.Satpati (Secretary, ISEAC)

ISEAC Website: ISEAC website has several interactive and administrative features for the benefit of the users and the organizers. Its performance should be re-evaluated and some of the features should be updated according to the requirement.

Regional Representation in ISE: Dr. S. K. Aggarwal, President, ISEAC was elected as a Regional Representative from India to ISE based on the voting done by the ISE Members from India.

Financial Position: The Society is making efforts to improve its financial status slowly and steadily by generating funds from vendor as well as by approaching different government funding agencies to organize ISEAC events.

Election of ISEAC Executive Committee for 2016-2019: The election of the new Executive Committee for the duration 2016-2019 was conducted by the President, ISEAC.

Acknowledgement: The Executive Committee thanks all the members for their interest and co-operation in fulfilling the objectives of ISEAC.

3) Approval of audited accounts for 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016.

Shri. Ambolikar Treasurer, ISEAC, presented the audited statement of accounts for the financial year 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016. During the discussion on the balance sheet of the audited accounts, Dr. S.K. Aggarwal told that society suffered deficit due to lack of financial support from different sponsors and explained the high the expenditure for holding the 11th ISEAC-DM-2014 due to withdrawal of some of the foreign delegates at the last moment. Dr. J. V. Kamath proposed the approval of the audited accounts which was seconded by Dr. Nagaraj Shetti and these were unanimously accepted.

4) Announcement of Elections Results (April 1, 2016- March 31, 2019).

Dr. S. K. Aggarwal, election officer of ISEAC announced the results of the election for the committee from April 1, 2016- March 31, 2019.

Dr. S. K. Ghosh, Dr. A. K. Satpati and Dr. V. T. Aher were elected as Vice President (head quarter), Secretary and Treasures of the Society. There were no nomination for the President post. After this unanimous agreement in the general body, Dr. Dr. P. D. Naik's name was proposed by the members for the vacant position of President ISEAC, Dr. Naik accepted the proposal of the General Body. Consequently Dr. P. D. Naik was presiding the meeting and conducted the proceeding. Dr. S. K. Aggarwal has proposed the name of Dr. Girish Kumar for the post of vice president (outstation) and it was accepted unanimously. With the permission of the chair names of newly elected Executive Committee Members of ISEAC were proposed and accepted by the general body. List of the newly elected executive members accepted by the general body is as below.

- 1. Dr. P.D.Naik (President)
- 2. Dr. S.K.Ghosh (Vice president, head quarter)
- 3. Dr. Girish Kumar (Vice president, outstation)
- 4. Dr. A.K.Satpati (Secretary)
- 5. Dr. V.T.Aher (Treasurer)

Members

- 6. Dr. S.K.Aggarwal (Immediate past President)
- 7. Dr. P.K.Pujari
- 8. Dr. Saurav K. Guin (immediate past Secretary)
- 9. Mr. A. Ambolikar
- 10. Dr. Nagaraj Shetti
- 11. Dr. Vidya Chakrapani (Overseas)
- 12. Dr. J. Kumar
- 13. Shri M.K.Dey
- 14. Dr. D. Alamelu
- 15. Dr. S. Vasudevan
- 16. Dr. V.R.Sathe

Dr. A.K.Satpati (Secretary, ISEAC)

5) Appointment of the auditor and fixation of audit fees for 2016-2017

Dr. P. D. Naik proposed that appointment of the auditor and fixation of audit fees for 2016-2017 will be done by newly elected executive committee and it was unanimously agreed upon.

6) Discussion on the future plans of the Society

Dr. P. D. Naik, initiated the discussion about the improvement of the financial position of the society and organizing international conference. It was discussed about the next international conference of the society, all the members have expressed their concerned about widening the scope of the society which should be reflected in the symposium and any other meeting by the society. With this wide scope number of member will be increased and funds through sponsorship will be improved. It was unanimously accepted to modify the name of the society which will be decided by the new executive members later. The venue of the next international conference by the society was accepted to be in Training School Hostel, Anushaktinagar, Mumbai during February 15-17, 2018.

7) Increase in the life-membership of ISEAC

It has been discussed about the possible increase in the life membership of the society. It was unanimously accepted that life membership fee to be fixed for this year and it will be announce in the society website about the increase in the life membership fee after 01-01-2018.

8) Any specific items to be discussed

No item was received by Secretary for discussion under this heading. Dr. P. D. Naik, President of Society requested the members to help in strengthening the professional and financial position of the Society. He asked for the constructive suggestions from all the members any time throughout the year through email.

9) Any other matter with the permission of chair

Dr. S. K. Aggarwal requested the life members to be engaged with the international invents of different activities of International Society of Electrochemistry (ISE) which will strengthen the position of Indian scientists in ISE which will bring better research collaboration and also provide platform to organize theme meeting of ISE in India. ISEAC promote scientific spirit of students and your researchers in the research filed through different awards and recognition which will be continued and it will be made available in the website soon.

Dr. A.K.Satpati (Secretary, ISEAC)