

Minutes of Annual GC MEETING of INDIAN EPILEPSY ASSOCIATION held on 2nd Feb 2018 at Convention Center NIMHANS Bangalore

Members present were Dr GT Subhas, Dr Rajendran, Dr Sreeram, Dr RK Surekha, Dr Chanda Kulkarni, Dr Ashish Bagdi, Dr Jayachandran, Dr U Meenakshisunderam, Dr Vinayan, Dr Jayanti Mani, Mr KV Muralidharan, Dr Satish Jain, Dr MM Mehndiratta, Dr Sita Jayalakshmi and Dr Nadkarni

Regrets: Dr RV Narayana

IEA/2018/GC/01 Welcome by President

The meeting was convened by Dr GT Subhas, President. He welcomed the gathering and requested the Secretary General to start the proceedings.

IEA/2018/GC/02 Condolence

Dr Subhas called for one minute of silence as tribute to the legends of Neurology who had passed away in the last year.. DR E P Bharucha, Dr M K Maheshwari, Dr Krishnamurthy Srinivas.

IEA/2018/GC/03 Confirmation of Minutes of the Mid term GC Meeting held on 25.6.17 at Bangalore at Hotel Radisson Blu.

Minutes of the previous meeting were tabled by Dr Rajendran. It was then passed, proposed by Mr Muralidharan and seconded by Dr K P Vinayan.

IEA/2018/GC/04 The Action Taken Report.

4.1 The GC status of the 2 co editors and one co webmaster was discussed. Dr Mehndiratta said that the existing members were making contributions and they should continue in their posts. Dr Rajendran also said that inducting more members from various chapters will make dormant chapters more active. A final decision was to be taken at the AGM on Feb 3, 2018.

4.2 The status of "Training in Epilepsy Management in Rural Setting" project was discussed. Dr Mehndiratta clarified that this project has been discussed at the IES GC meeting. President GT Subhas suggested that the IEA local chapters be included in the training of local rural medical personnel.

4.3 Dr Muralidharan stated that there are funds in the IEA Central office to support Epilepsy school awareness programs in any two chapters that showed interest. It was suggested that we post an invitation for proposals for the school awareness program on the IEA website and EI.

4.4 The issue of quality assurance with the generic AEDs was discussed. It was suggested the IEA liaison with DCGI regarding this matter. Dr Satish Jain made a suggestion that we file an RTI demanding information on the number of generics prescribed for Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha members. Dr Rajendran offered to do that with the help of legal counsel.

Action taken report was passed, proposed by Dr Chanda Kulkarni and seconded by Dr U Meenakshisundaram.

IEA/2018/GC/05 Secretary General Report

The Secretary General report was tabled by Dr Rajendran.

5.1 Dr Satish Jain was congratulated on his being elected as Vice President of the International Bureau of Epilepsy.

5.2 Contributions to the Publication “ From the IBE” was requested from various chapters of IEA

5.3 Nominations were made for the Asian Oceanian Outstanding Activity in Epilepsy Award. Dr HV Srinivas, Dr B Vengamma and Dr Urvashi Shah were proposed for the nominations.

5.4 The Secretary General requested that the names of the President and Secretary of the various chapters be updated on the website and that all GC members send an updated list of all the members of their respective chapters.

The Secretary General report was passed, proposed by Dr Sreeram and seconded by Dr R K Sureka

IEA/2018/GC/06 Treasurer’s Report

Mr Muralidharan read the Treasurers Report which was passed, proposed by Dr Vinayan and seconded by Dr Sitajayalakshmi.

IEA/2018/GC/07

Request to start a new IEA chapter in Mandya, Karnataka was made by Dr Satyanarayana. This was passed subject to ratification at the AGM on 3rd February 2018, proposed by Dr Sreeram and seconded by Dr Chanda Kulkarni.

Meeting was adjourned after the Secretary General proposed a vote of thanks to the Chair and the hosts.