



OSA BOG MEETING MEETING MINUTES

Date:	October 13, 2013 , Sunday
Time:	7:30 PM – 9:00 PM EST
Location:	Conference Call
Presided By	Tapan Padhi
Topic:	Monthly BOG Meeting

Invitees/Attendees:

Name	Designation	Chapter
Tapan Padhi	President	OSA
Sikhanda Satpathy	Vice President	OSA
Sabita Panigrahi	Secretary	OSA
Prashant Ranabijuli	Treasurer	OSA
Pramod Mohapatra	President	Southern Chapter
Arata Tran Rout	President	OSA - Ohio
Annapurna Pandey	Past President	OSA
Arun Mohanty and Nihar Nanda	President	OSA – New England
Punyatoya Sarangi	President	OSA - Michigan
Prabhat Mohapatra	President	OSA – NYNJ
Radhagobinda Mohanty	President	Ozark - Central
Priyadarshan Patra/Sandip Dasverma	President	OSA – Pacific Northwest
Debasis Das	President	OSA - NW Chapter
Nihar Nanda	Past President	OSA – New England
Satya Patnaik	Convener 2014	

Agenda

#	Description
1	Phailin cyclone and OSA fundraising
2	Update on 2014 Convention - Arata Rout/Satya Patnaik - 15 minutes
3	OSA 2013-2014 budget - Prashanta Ranabijuli - 25 minutes
4	Membership drive - Tapan Padhi - 15 minutes
5	RDF – Sabita Panigrahi – 5 minutes
6	OSA Helpline - Prashant Ranabijuli - 10 minutes
7	Roundtable – All - 15 mins

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1	Phailin Cyclone and OSA fund raising	<p>Tapan Padhi mentioned that how Phailin cyclone has caused an irrevocable damage in Odisha and he asked the members about their opinions on fundraising and relief effort for this cause.</p> <p>Debasish – If OSA is doing fundraising, then we can join</p> <p>Prabhat – If OSA is doing fundraising, then we can join</p> <p>Sikhanda – Let’s assess the situation first and decide where OSA’s help would be effective.</p> <p>Sandip – Need to be careful where to send the money (ex: Bharat Seva sangha, AID and Ramakrishna mission have good standing)</p> <p>Radhagovind- Agrees with Sandip</p> <p>Punyatoya, Arun – Started the process. If OSA is doing fundraising, then we can join</p> <p>Pramod – If OSA leads then we will join.</p> <p>Prashant – Assess the situation first</p> <p>Tapan – Assess the situation. We can start the fundraising.</p>
2	Update on 2014 Convention	<p>Regarding hotel and auditorium, finally contract will be signed this weekend. Venue is in downtown. A budget has been made last week and we are working towards fundraising for the convention both locally and nationally. All stage programs will be in auditorium. Food committee has been formed and it has started working on looking into caterers. Cultural committee has been formed. Core convention team meets weekly. Bikash Panda is helping on website. Radhagobind showed some concern for two different venues. Sandip mentioned that it would be okay since walking distance is only 2 minutes.</p> <p>Suggestion was made to create a flyer and to send it to different chapters to promote the convention.</p>
3	OSA 2013-2014 budget	<p>Prashant presented the budget proposal. The motion for the approval of the budget was brought by Sikhand Satpathy and it was seconded by Sabita Panigrahi. Even though it was approved by simple majority, it was decided to send the approval request in OSAForYou.</p>
4	Membership Drive	<p>Postponed to future BOG meeting</p>
5	RDF	<p>Postponed to future BOG meeting</p>
6	OSA Helpline update	<p>Pramod and Prashant discussed the progress and informed that they have set up a non-toll free number. They are still working on the guidelines.</p>
7	Roundtable	<p>Debasish, Sikhanda and Prabhat will assess and suggest names of organizations to where the relief fund will be sent.</p>

Action Items



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#	Who	When	What
1	Tapan		Send communication in OSAnet and OSaForYou regarding Odisha cyclone.
2	Debasis, Sikhanda and Prabhat		Assess where to send money. They will look into the contacts for Ramakrishna Mission as well as for other organizations.
3	Pramod, Prashant, Jhara		Will continue to work on the guidelines and set up.
4	Sabita		Send communication in OSaForYou regarding budget approval

Next Meeting

BOG Meeting has been scheduled to be on Sunday, Nov 10, 2013 at 7:30PM EST.

Any questions or comments please send an e-mail to sabitanigrahi@rogers.com or secretary@orissasociety.org