



## **OSA BOG MEETING MINUTES**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>July 12, 2015 , Sunday</b>
<b>Time:</b>	7:30 PM – 9:00 PM ET
<b>Location:</b>	Conference Call
<b>Presided By</b>	Sushant Satpathy
<b>Topic:</b>	Monthly BOG Meeting

### **Invitees/Attendees:**

#	Name	Designation	Chapter	Attended
1	Sushant Satpathy	President	OSA	Yes
2	Sulochana Patnaik	Vice President	OSA	Yes
3	Saradakanta Panda	Secretary	OSA	Yes
4	Sabita Panigrahi	Past Secretary	OSA	Yes
5	Siddharth Behera	Treasurer	OSA	Yes
6	Tapan Padhi	Immediate Past President	OSA	No
7	Sujata Nayak	President	OSA – MD/VA	No
8	Anil Patnaik	President	OSA - Ohio	Yes
9	Pramod Mahapatra	President	OSA Southern Chapter	Yes
10	Simant Mishra	President	OSA – Grand Canyon	No
11	Bimal Mishra	President	OSA- Washington DC	Yes
12	Arun Mohanty/ Prabhu Prasad Sahoo	President	OSA – New England	Yes
13	Jhara Das	President	OSA - Chicago	Yes
15	Amar Senapati	President	OSA – NYNJ	No
16	Radhagobinda Mohanty	President	Ozark - Central	Yes
17	Sunil Sabat	President	California	Yes
18	Priyadarshan Patra	President	OSA – Pacific Northwest	No
19	Sakti Singh / Sharthak	President	OSA – South East	Yes
21	Debasis Das	President	OSA - NW Chapter	No
22	Sadhu Behera	President	OSA - Rocky Mountain	No
23	Abani Pattanaik	President	CANOSA	No
24	Vacant	President	OSA-Southwest	No
25	Pradeepta Mishra	President	OSA Michigan	No



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### **Agenda**

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	<p>Agenda:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Introduction - 10 mins</li> <li>2. Vote of thanks for outgoing BOG members/ OSA officials - 3 mins</li> <li>3. Vote of thanks for 46th convention volunteers and organizers - 3 mins</li> <li>4. Congratulating Prof. Jagannath Prasad Das who has been named to the Order of Canada - 4 mins</li> <li>5. Verify and Confirm active BOG members - 15 Mins</li> <li>6. BOG meeting Calendar - 5 mins</li> <li>7. Approval of members for Grievance Handling Committee - 10 mins</li> <li>8. Approval of additional official and Editors - 10 mins</li> <li>9. Round Table - 30 mins</li> </ol>

### **Minutes**

Item	Topic	Conclusions/Discussions
1	Introduction by NEW EC & July BOG meeting minutes	New EC members for 2015-17 self introduced themselves to BOG  July (face to face BOG) Minutes will be circulated for approval by past OSA secretary Sabita Panigrahi
2	Vote of thanks for outgoing BOG members/ OSA officials	New EC and BOG members extended vote of thanks to outgoing OSA EC members Tapan Padhi, Sabita Panigrahy, Sikhanda Satpathy and Prashanta Ranabijuli and past president Annapurna Pandey for their service to the OSA.-.-Current EC requested them to stay engaged and provide their advice, suggestion and help to the new EC team. Tapan Padhi will be part of BOG and new EC and BOG will have his counsel.
3	Vote of thanks for 46th convention volunteers and organizers	New EC and BOG members extended vote of thanks to 46th convention volunteers and organizers and requested Bimal Mishra, president of Washington DC Chapter to convey the same to organizers, volunteers and convention committees.
4	Congratulating Prof. J P Das who has been named to the Order of Canada	A proposal was officially adopted congratulating Prof. Jagannath Prasad Das who has been named to the Order of Canada in 2015. Sushant Satpathy expressed the deep appreciation for the Prof JP Das and his service. Sabita Panigrahi shared how Drs JP and Gita Das lent their helping hand to an Odia family as an example of their kindness. It was also decided to publish congratulation and details about Order of Canada in Utkarsa to share with members.
5	Verify and Confirm active BOG members	The start date of each chapter president need to be verified by the secretary in reaching out each Chapter president, and then publish them in OSA web site. Past secretary Sabita Panigrahi mentioned that she doesn't have those details. She dropped off from the call.



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6	BOG meeting Calendar	<p>It was decided to conduct the BOG meeting on second Sunday of every month and if there is any conflict like Mother's day and Valentine's day, the meeting will be scheduled for 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of that month.</p> <p>Anil Patnaik requested to send the meeting agenda at least one week before the meeting, and also suggested to provide the meeting minutes within a week. Sarada Panda agreed and said he will try to do so.</p>
7	Approval of members for Grievance Handling Committee	<p>The EC will seek approval of Grievance Handling Committee members by email that requires at least 2/3 vote of BOG. Subsequently following members were approved for GHC for 2015-17. See appendix below for details</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Esha Bandyopadhyay Dash, CA</li> <li>2. Jyotsna Mishra, AL</li> <li>3. Pitamber Sarangi, NJ</li> </ol>
8	Approval of additional official and Editors	<p>The following additional officials were approved by BOG in voice vote during meeting.</p> <p>Editors: Kanak Hota, IL Prasanta Bhunya, Ontario</p> <p>Akash Pandey, CA will join as youth editor</p> <p>Jt. Secretary : Prachi Mishra, CA</p> <p>Jt. Treasurer : Utakal Nayak, MD</p> <p>General Counsel: Niraj Rath, TX</p> <p>Sushant Satpathy thanked all these members for their consent to serve the organization in these roles.</p>



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9	Round Table	<p>Sulochana Patnaik specifically asked if there was any suggestion from BOG members to EC that they would want to be implemented. Radhagobinda Mohanty asked to formulate ways increase youth's participation. Jhara Das shared her experience on involving youths in Chicago chapter. Sushant Satpathy said he is including youth members into executive body exactly to take care of those concerns. There will be OSA Youth Forum and a representative committee to get their ideas and suggestions.</p> <p>Question regarding \$25K loan to 2015 Convention: Sunil Sabat asked if OSA officials have a signed agreement as the regarding the loan that is contingent upon certain condition and if it is signed by convention organizing team as decided in the previous BOG meeting when the loan was approved. Bimal Mishra said he is not aware of any. Sushant Satpathy said this question can only be answered by past officials as no one was present it should be deferred and asked directly from them.</p> <p>Radha Gobinda Mohanty pointed out that the programs were running hour or more late during convention and there was no one managing events. Too many artists were invited and they did not get adequate time. He suggested next convention team should not try to do too much and not do anything well. Anil Patnaik mentioned that artists like Antara did not receive enough time to perform.</p> <p>Pramod Mahapatra said during convention there were issues with the food in terms of quality. Organizers should have been cognizant of the artists. For 2 nights there was no dinner arrangement for artists when they were asked to perform but there was no dinner for them. He said it is ok for us but we need to take care of our guests.</p> <p>Bimal Mishra said the issues were taken care of once it was known.</p> <p>Prabhu Prasad Sahoo said he has noted the concerns of everyone with the last convention and will communicate to Boston team.</p> <p>Members suggested OSA National to be more involved so that there is better guidance and no last minute financial worries. Sushant Satpathy assured BOG members that OSA National is very much involved with Boston Convention planning and will stay every step of the way. Both Convention team and OSA National have a conservative approach as far as OSA 2016 is concerned. He appreciated 2015 Volunteers for their effort and hard work.</p> <p>Anil Patnaik mentioned about past treasurer Prashant Ranabijuli's communication. After the DC convention, OSA received Odisha tourism's sponsorship for 2014 Columbus convention. But Prashant Babu said that money cannot be shared with Ohio and reiterated about Ohio's dues. Anil Patnaik asked for clarification from BOG about the recent approval at DC on Dr. Sitakantha Dash's proposal. Sunil Sabat and Sidharth Behera agreed that the approval was to waive any penalty from Ohio, and that removed the previous BOG approval requiring Ohio to pay. After discussions, Sushant Satpathy asked to wait until minutes of DC BOG meeting is made available.</p>



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### **Appendix**

#### **Proposals approved electronically:**

#### **Approval of members for Grievance Handling Committee:**

Grievance Handling Committee (2015-17) with following members:

1. Esha Bandyopadhyay Dash, CA
2. Jyotsna Mishra, AL
3. Pitamber Sarangi, NJ

The proposal has been approved with support of more than two-thirds members of governing body. Following members have sent their consent.

Abani Pattanayak

Sunil Sabat

Bimal Mishra

Anil Patnaik

Saradakant Panda

Pradipta Mishra

Tapan Padhi

Priyadarshan Patra

Amar Senapati

Siddharth Behera

Jhara Das

Sakti Singh

Sulochana Patnaik

Pramod Mahapatra

Radha Gobinda Mohanty

Sushant Satpathy

#### **Next Meeting**

**BOG Meeting has been scheduled to be on Aug 09, 2015 (Sunday) at 19:30 PM ET**

Any questions or comments please send an e-mail to [saradapanda@hotmail.com](mailto:saradapanda@hotmail.com) or [secretary@orissasociety.org](mailto:secretary@orissasociety.org)