



## OSA BOG Meeting Minutes

<b>Date:</b>	<b>10/10/2020 Sunday</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>7:00 PM – 8:30 PM EST</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Zoom Online Video Conference</b>
<b>Presided By:</b>	<b>Ms. Kuku Das</b>
<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Monthly BOG Meeting</b>

### Invitees/Attendees:

17 BOG members attended

<b>BOG Member</b>	<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Designation</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
Kuku Das		President, OSA	Yes
Anil Patnaik		Vice President	Yes
Vivek Das		Secretary	Yes
Utkal Nayak		Treasurer	Yes
Lalatendu Mohanty		Imm. Past President	Yes
Sarita Jagatjita	OSA – CA	Chapter President	Yes
Deepak Sahoo	OSA – Ohio	Chapter President	Yes
Debadutta Behera	OSA – New England	Chapter President	Yes
Bijay Mohanty	OSA – NY/NJ	Chapter President	Yes
Nalini Patnaik	OSA – Southern	Chapter President	Yes
Satya Nanda	OSA – Mt Hood (OR)	Chapter President	Yes
Amulya Das	OSA – Seattle (WA)	Chapter President	Yes
Sameer Senapati	OSA – South East	Chapter President	Yes
Swaroop Panda	OSA – South West	Chapter President	No
Sunanda Panda	CANOSA	Chapter President	Yes
Maushumi Pattanayak	OSA – DC	Chapter President	Yes
Anil Pattnaik	OSA – Chicago	Chapter President	No
Sarita Patnaik	OSA -- MN	Chapter President	Yes
Sanjib Bisoi	OSA – Rocky Mountain	Chapter President	No
Arun Tripathy	OSA - Michigan	Chapter President	Yes
Vacant	OSA - MD/VA	INACTIVE	No
Vacant	OSA - Ozark	INACTIVE	No
Vacant	OSA - Grand Canyon	INACTIVE	No



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### Notes

- **Introduction & Meet & Greet:**

The BOG started with a brief Meet and Greet over Zoom online video conference. The session was brought to motion by the President.

- **OSA Health & Wellness Proposal**

President Kuku Das updated that the OSA Health and Wellness Group has donated a Covid 19 testing van to the health dept of Govt of Odisha by fundraising. Now the Health and Wellness Group has proposed a plan to donate Pulse Oximeters to many Covid hit districts in Odisha through the Government of Odisha. Interested OSA members can contribute to this fund. This proposal was approved by BOG unanimously.

- **OSA Higher Education Proposal**

Vice President Anil Pattnaik updated that based on OSA higher Educations Committee proposal, the current MO College Chair Mr. Akash Das Nayak contacted OSA. In a meeting with EC, he expressed interest in all of the OSA initiatives and extended his support for mentoring students at Odisha, to encourage exchange of students, faculty, have exchange programs and to foster cooperation between US universities and Universities in Odisha. Ms. Nalini Pattnaik suggested that a scholarship program for Odisha Students would be helpful. Ms. Maushumi Pattanayak suggested teaching online by the retired faculties can be considered.

- **OSA Awards Update**

Vice President Anil Pattnaik updated that the Award Committee has concluded the selection process and that the Awards will be announced in the Odissi Dance and Awards Program on Oct 17, 2020. On behalf of the Award Committee, Ms. Anjana Chowdhury attended the BOG to answer any questions and mentioned about need for encouraging participation. President Kuku Das appealed to all BOG members to create awareness among their chapters and encourage them to nominate people for the OSA Awards,

- **Haladhar Nag Committee**

President Kuku Das informed about a plan to take up projects on a need basis. One such committee is going to be Haldhar Nag Committee focusing on proposals for his welfare. Some of the proposals brought forth (1) Support part of the Cost of Publishing his book (2) Contribute towards a museum hosting Haldhar Nag's works (3) Financially support Haldhar Nag's orphanage or school. Ms. Maushumi Pattnayak suggested that it will be a good initiative if Haldhar Nag's manuscripts can be scanned and stored for posterity. Mr. Debadutta Behera mentioned that Col Surendra Nath is actively pursuing this option.

- **OSA Global Mahotsav Update**

President Kuku Das updated about Plans to host a OSA Global Mahotsav with diaspora contributing from all parts of the world for this program. In particular, because of the Pandemic, the regular OSA Mahotsav cannot be held in Odisha and there are plans to celebrate it virtually on a global scale, It is planned on Dec 26, 2020.



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- **Chapter Guidelines Formation**

President Kuku Das discussed forming a Committee to come up with a model Chapter Guidelines to form a standard basis for all OSA Chapters. OSA Secretary Vivek Das promised to share OSA Michigan guidelines as an example. A couple of Chapter President like Sameer Senapati, Debadutta Behera and Masuhumi Pattnaik expressed interest in working with the Executive Committee towards formulation of Chapter guidelines.

- **Joint Treasurer and Secretary Proposal**

President Kuku Das brought up the proposal for taking on Joint Treasurer and Secretary in view of all the increased activities and workload on the EC. Accordingly additional help would help the EC. At the moment, there was no name proposed for Joint Treasurer. Ashok Dandpat was proposed for Jt. Secretary. BOG agreed in principle and voted for a cohesive team to manage the workload.

- **Chapter Updates**

Most of the Chapter Updated about Upcoming Kumar Purnima Programs as well as plans for the upcoming Dance Program. OSA Seattle President Amulya Das, mentioned about a Durga Puja being held in their Community and requested others to attend the same.

OSA Secretary Vivek Das thanked everyone for attending the BOG and concluded the meeting.