



OSA BOG Meeting Minutes

Date:	12/13/2020 Sunday
Time:	7:00 PM – 8:30 PM EST
Location:	Zoom Online Video Conference
Presided By:	Ms. Kuku Das
Topic:	Monthly BOG Meeting

Invitees/Attendees:

19 BOG members attended

BOG Member	Chapter	Designation	Attendance
Kuku Das		President, OSA	Yes
Anil Patnaik		Vice President	Yes
Vivek Das		Secretary	Yes
Utkal Nayak		Treasurer	Yes
Lalatendu Mohanty		Imm. Past President	No
Sarita Jagatjita	OSA – CA	Chapter President	Yes
Bhabani Buxi	OSA – GA	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	No
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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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.
- President Kuku Das welcomed the BOG Members and mentioned that she is excited to see a higher number of attendees in this meeting.

General Elections for new OSA Leadership

- President Mrs. Kuku Das updated everyone about the beginning of Election for OSA National term 2021 - 2023. The Election committee members remain unchanged from last time. They are - Prashanta Ranabijuli, Shantanu Das and Bimal Rath. The Process will start by the end of December with the committee announcing the election process and due dates. Some important things to keep in mind:
- Chapter presidents will be sent out a list of their chapter members eligible for voting by second week of January by the OSA Secretary
- Chapter presidents to validate the list and work with chapter members to update their email address and location and confirm by end of January about correctness of voter list
- The voting would be done through electronic ballot, using an industry leading platform - Election Buddy. Hence it is important for chapter presidents to ensure that every voting member has active email id. In many cases the spouses share one email id in the OSA Directory. They must have separate email ids for each voting individual for the voting process. Chapter presidents are requested to bring this awareness to the community and work with chapter members to update email addresses before an election ballot call is made around the end of January.

OSA Global Mahotsav 2020 discussion

- President Kuku Das said that the OSA team is fully engaged in preparation of the Global Mahotsav event that is scheduled for Dec 26 and 27. The response from Thirty plus countries to participate in the event has been impressive. Many eminent faces from Odisha and beyond in the field of Politics, Education, Art, Civil Services, Foreign services have confirmed as well as expressed their enthusiasm to be part of the event. President Kuku Das explained the agenda for Global Mahotsav to BOG members.
- There is inclusion of a new seminar consisting of the Consulate Generals from Odia background. BOG meeting participants discussed plans to contact various officials to this event.
- Treasurer Utkal Nayak presented the Global Mahotsav website to the team and gave a detailed run through of the event details.
- Chapter Presidents agreed that they will create a teaser video of Global Mahotsav to invite others and post in social media.
- Treasurer Utkal Nayak Presented the website of Odisha Development Forum.



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- President Kuku Das Mentioned Youth participation is on the rise since the 2019 OSA convention. Youth members are meeting quarterly to discuss current events and present their progress on various activities.
- Regarding Chapter presentation, Chapter Presidents will send Chapter videos without any chapter logo or chapter brand to Treasurer Utkal Nayak and he will combine all videos into one.
- Treasurer Utkal Nayak proposed that this event will incur some expenses due to the cost of video editing and professional performances. An amount up to \$4,000 was solicited from the OSA Fund and BOG was requested for approval. A significant portion of the expense may get covered through event sponsorship. BOG members voted on this proposal and unanimously approved the budget of up to \$4,000 from OSA for this event.
- Treasurer Utkal Nayak presented the promo video for Global Mahotsav. BOG Members appreciated the content of the video.
- Treasurer Utkal Nayak Proposed the advertising options and it was agreed that BOG members will promote the advertisement to respective audiences.
- Bhabani Buxi, cultural lead for OSA's segment of Global Mahotsav event, updated the BOG about cultural program status and deadlines for various cultural segments.
- President Kuku Das suggested BOG members create 30 seconds teaser videos to promote the event in their chapters.
- VP Dr. Anil Patnaik briefly summarized the cultural events expected from chapters. Details of the chapter discussion is sent out via separate email, hence is skipped from the minutes here.

General Topics

- President, Kuku Das also requested chapter members to submit their chapter activities from recent times as well as any activities done as reaction to the pandemic situation to be submitted to Utkaras's next segment.
- OSA President Kuku Das thanked everyone for attending the BOG and concluded the meeting.

Note: prepared by Ashok Dandpat, Jt. Secretary in collaboration with EC.