

**MINUTES OF THE 3<sup>RD</sup> A G M OF THE KARNATAKA UROLOGY ASSOCIATION HELD ON THE 8<sup>TH</sup> OF NOVEMBER 1998 AT THE K L E HOSPITAL BELGAUM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Ashok Pandit	Dr. Mani Iyer S.K.
Dr. Bharat Kshatri	Dr. Mohanchandra Suvarna
Dr. C.S. Ratkal	Dr. Nagaraja N.H.
Dr. Dhanya Kumar	Dr. Nagarajaiah N.
Dr. Joseph Philipraj S.	Dr. Prabhakar Srinivasan
Dr. Joseph Thomas M	Dr. Rajashekar M.S.
Dr. Keshava Murthy	Dr. Ramesh D.
Dr. Krishna Rao. R.	Dr. Ranjit Shetty
Dr. Laxman Prabhu C.G.	Dr. Raviraj Raykar
Dr. Mudaraddi B.G.	Dr. Sasikumar S.
Dr. Nagaraj H.K.	Dr. Srikanth N. Meharwade
Dr. Padmaraj Hegde	Dr. Vasan S.S.
Dr. Prabhu V.M.	Dr. Venkatesh G.K.
Dr. Rajendra Nerli B.	Dr. Venkatesh Krishnamoorthy
Dr. Ranganath M.S.	Dr. Venugopal P.
	Dr. Vijayakumar C Sidaraddi

The meeting was chaired by Dr. Mohanchandra Suvarna – President of KUA – 1997 – 98

Dr. Mohanchandra Suvarna welcomed the gathering and then requested Dr. Venkatesh Krishnamoorthy to present the annual report. The annual report presented the committee's decisions to ask Dr. Joseph Thomas and Dr. Laxman Prabhu to continue conducting the Devon Travelling Fellowship and Penpol Uroquiz as annual features respectively. The committee had also during year proposed that the T.S. Jairam Museum of Urology be housed at the Bangalore Kidney Foundation. Both were passed by the General Body. The Awards presented during the year were also read out. These were as follows:

Dr. P. Venugopal Oration - Dr. Rupin Shah

Devon Travelling Fellowship - Dr. Ranjit Shetty – Manipal

Penpol Uroquiz - I Prize – Dr. D. Ramesh – MSINU, Bangalore  
- II Prize – Dr. Joseph Thomas – KMC, Manipal

Dr. Adappa Memorial - Dr. Rajendra B. Nerli, KLE Hospital, Belgaum  
Best Paper Award

Dr. M.S. Ranganath presented the treasurer's report. As the Bank Manager had lost a few papers an audited account was not possible. At that time the following corpus amounts were present.

Dr. P. Venugopal Oration	- Rs. 1,15,000 = 00
Dr. Adappa Memorial Best Paper Award	- Rs. 55,000 = 00
Devon Travelling Fellowship	- Rs. 55,000 = 00
Penpol Uroquiz	- Rs. 5,000 = 00
KUA corpus amount	- Rs. 39,500 = 00
Balance in the current a/c of Syndicate Bank	- Rs. 26,000 = 00

No expenses were incurred on running of the Association throughout the year. The interest amount for the various corpus should actually have to be more, but as the amounts were coming only in bits and pieces the entire amount could not be put in a fixed deposit at the beginning of the year and hence the interest amount earned is much less. This however will be the last such year, as all the money has been deposited in full and the next year will earn a substantial amount. The reports were passed, being proposed by Dr. P. Venugopal and seconded by Dr. Rajendra B. Nerli.

The names of all new members who had applied during year were read out as in the report of the Secretary, and passed by the general body.

During other points for discussion, Dr. Venkatesh Krishnamoorthy proposed that the Karnataka Urology Association being in dire need of funds, for its day to day running, should have contributions coming in from the Association members. With this in mind, he proposed that a contribution be made from the annual conferences to the Karnataka Urology Association every year to enable it to run well. Dr. D. Ramesh was of the opinion that since all conferences are held under the aegis of State Body, and that funds were available only because it was a state level organization, it should be incumbent upon the organizers to return a certain amount to the parent body. Dr. Laxman Prabhu quoting the South Zone – USI rules where 50% of the profits must be given to the parent body said that since the money parted would only be 50% of the *declared profits*, it should not be difficult for the organizers to present that amount. At this point Dr. Nerli stood up and promised 50% of the declared must be given to the KUA, Dr. Nagaraj said that audited reports of the conferences are a must and the amount must be presented before the next conference to the KUA. This resolution was proposed by Dr. D. Ramesh, seconded by Dr. Laxman Prabhu and passed by the general body.

Dr. Venkatesh also brought up the point of fixing a schedule for the south zone USI meeting where, so that the state conferences could be organized at a fixed date without

the confusion that prevailed for the present conference date. Dr. P. Venugopal said that it is not possible, especially when it came to fixing dates in Kerala, as the monsoon would be at its height during the actual scheduled south zone meeting of the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of August every year. In view of this, Dr. G.K. Venkatesh the present council member at USI from Karnataka was asked to write to The Secretary – South Zone – USI or to the organizing Secretary Dr. Sunil Shroff at Madras, to have information regarding the dates of next south zone USI conference, so that the 4<sup>th</sup> KUACON could be held with a predetermined date very early.

Dr. Subanulla during discussion on any other matters brought up the problems of poor communication over the past one year regarding the organization of the various conferences and workshop. It was decided to improve on this forthwith. The KUA also has the provision to have a patron on its rolls for payment of Rs. 5,000/-. So far except for Dr. Dhanya Kumar, no other member of the Association has come forward to become patrons. He requested more members to come forward and enroll themselves for this, so that the Association would be helped by the increased fund. There were no immediate volunteers for this.

Dr. Phillip complained about the poor communication, especially regarding the details of the scientific sessions during the present conference. He also proposed the papers be sent to the Secretary – KUA rather than to the Organising Secretary. This matter was discussed, and Dr. Venkatesh highlighted the fact, that the simple change of address is not going to improve response from the members. Though the Secretary of the KUA had given information well in advance, only four papers had been sent to the Organising Secretary and all were only from the Kasturba Hospital, Manipal. It was hoped that the members would participate better in future.

Dr. Joseph Thomas of Kasturba Hospital, Manipal wondered if free paper sessions could be done away with completely in alternate conferences, as the number of conferences had increased especially during the later half of the year, and it will be difficult for the people to keep bringing papers constantly. No resolution was taken on this. It was however decided and resolved after Dr. P. Venugopal said that the papers may continued to be sent to the organizing secretary, and changes made as and when the work load becomes very high.

Dr. H.K. Nagaraj wondered how the present council team would hand over the charge to the next President, if the President himself was absent. The executive committee had no prior information of leave of absence from the incoming President Dr. B.T. Sampath Kumar. It was presumed that he was indisposed and hoped that it would not happen in the future.

Dr. Venkatesh requested more people to come forward and organize workshops, especially from the peripheral parts of the State. One or two conferences per year should be the norm so as to involve the non-teaching practicing urologists, as well as spread their practices from one part of the State to another. Dr. Subanulla proposed a

pre-conference workshop. But the conference being only for 1½ days, members felt that adding another day to a State level meet may not be very welcome.

Dr. M.S. Ranganath proposed to have an endourology workshop in Mysore in first half of the next year.

The venue for the next conference was discussed next on the agenda. Dr. Subanulla of Bellary volunteered to host the conference at Bellary which was unanimously accepted by the general body and also past resolution accepting him as organizing secretary. Dr. Ranganath wondered if we could fix the conference of the year after that also which was accepted by the General Body. He volunteered to organize the 5<sup>th</sup> KUACON at Mysore in the year 2000, with Dr. Ranganath as the organizing secretary.

Elections for the various course in the council were then started with Dr. Muddaraddi, as the returning officer. There were to nominations for the post of Vice-President. Dr. R. Krishnarao from Mysore, and Dr. G.K. Venkatesh from Bangalore. Elections were conducted and Dr. Krishnarao was declared elected in a secret ballot election. Dr. Venkatesh and Dr. Ranganath were asked to continue as the honorary secretary and treasurer for the next term also. There were two vacancies for the post of Council members. Dr. Laxman Prabhu was the only nomination received and it was unanimously accepted. Dr. G.K. Venkatesh proposed the name of Dr. Keshavmurthy of Bangalore and was seconded by Dr. Nagarajaiah. This was also unanimously accepted by the General Body.

The new team constituted by the year 1998 – 1999 is as follows:

President	-	Dr. B.T. Sampath Kumar
Vice-President	-	Dr. R. Krishnarao
Hon. Secretary	-	Dr. Venkatesh Krishnamoorthy
Treasurer	-	Dr. M.S. Ranganath
Council Members	-	Dr. Bharath Kshatri Dr. Keshav Murthy.R Dr. Laxman Prabhu

The meeting ended with a short note of thanks by the organizing secretary Dr. R.B. Nerli and Vote of thanks by Dr. Venkatesh Krishnamoorthy.

Dr. Venkatesh placed on record his deep appreciation of the excellent manner in which Dr. Nerli organize the conference.