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***OSA BOG MEETING***

**MEETING MINUTES**

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Meeting Date: 04/06/2012

Meeting Location: Conference Call

Recorded By: Sushant Satpathy

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**MEETING LOCATION**

No	Name	Title	Organization	Present
1	Annapurna Pandey	President	OSA	Yes
2	Kuku Das	Vice President	OSA	Yes
3	Leena Mishra	Secretary	OSA	No
4	Sushant Satpathy	Treasurer	OSA	Yes
5	Amar Pani	President	Southern Chapter	Yes
6	Sujata Nayak	President	OSA – MD/VA	No
7	Arata Tran Rout	President	OSA - Ohio	No
7	Bigyani Das	Past President	OSA	Yes
8	Debashish Panda	President	OSA – Grand Canyon	No
9	Gatikrishna Tripathy	President	OSA- Washington DC	No
10	Nihar Nanda	President	OSA – New EnglandOSA	No
11	Jhara Das	President	OSA - Chicago	Yes
12	Pitabasa Panda	President	OSA - Michigan	No
13	Prabhat Mohapatra	President	OSA – NYNJ	Yes
14	Radhagobinda Mohanty	President	Ozark - Central	No
15	Sabita Panigrahi	President	OSA - Canada	Yes
16	Priyadarshan Patra	President	OSA – Pacific Northwest	No
17	Bidhu Das	President	OSA - SouthEast	Yes
18	Gopal Mohapatra	President	OSA-Southwest	Yes
19	Subodh Samal	President	OSA - NW Chapter	Yes

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**MEETING START**

Meeting Schedule Start: 8: 30 pm Eastern time

Actual Start Time: 8:40 PM Eastern Time

**AGENDA**

- Convention Update
- Membership Drive extension
- Stake of Chapter on Membership Dues
- Setting % of membership fee for Odisha Development
- Approve funds for CCO and MI-RDF
- Miscellaneous

**MEETING DETAILS**

- President Annapurna Pandey welcomed everyone to the meeting. She introduced and welcomed Subodh Samal, President, NW chapter.
- Happenings with Chapters:
  - CANOSA organizing Sahitya Pathachakra on April 6<sup>th</sup>
  - CANOSA Bisuba Milana is on May 19<sup>th</sup>
  - SW chapter hosting RDF on April 14<sup>th</sup>
  - MI – RDF is on May 12<sup>th</sup>

### **Convention Update**

- AP and KD provided update on their visit to Seattle. They met with convenor Mr. Amulya Das and convention organizing team. They are working hard to everything in place. Also, during their stay they met with other OSA members and discussed what steps can be taken to bring everyone together and make a successful convention.
- There are more than 80 registrations till end of March
- AP requested all BOG members to reach out to members and spread the word and encourage those planning to attend to register early

### **Membership Drive Extension:**

The discussion was to continue the reduced membership for OSA life membership. OSA constitution specifies that reduced membership drive can only be for a specified period and can not be repeated.

There was question regarding what OSA is doing for Odisha and if we are making any difference.

- AP agreed to send a write-up to BOG members.
- There was suggestion to feature 2 members in the front page of OSA and tell why they joined OSA.

### **Sharing % of Membership Fee with Chapters**

There was suggestion by one BOG member as well as suggestion on the OSANet to have a certain % of membership fee to be given back to chapters for new members joining a chapter.

### **Setting aside % of Membership Fees for OSA-Odisha Development**

The suggestion is to set aside 25% of the membership fees for this purpose. By doing so we might have on an average an additional \$2500 to spend on different activities like

### **Approval of funds for CCO CD and MI Drama Festival**

CCO CD with 2-cds are ready for distribution. The total cost for production of these CDs were Rs. 55,000. BOG has already approved \$1000 for CCO CD. BOG members requested for details regarding content of CD and artists who participated in production of the CD. Treasurer will follow-up to get those details and share with BOG.

MI Drama Festival: \$500 was approved by all present for MI drama festival. Also it was resolved that chapters will keep some time during chapter events to promote the membership in the national organization.

### **Miscellaneous**

Amar Pani suggested that we should have standard chapter guideline. He said he has many ideas and he will be sharing them with Chapter Relation Committee as they are already working on creating a guideline with chapter input.

Kuku Das again requested everyone to spread the word regarding Awards and Competition as the last date for submission of application has been extended to April 30<sup>th</sup>.

**MEETING ACTUAL END:10.30 PM EASTERN TIME**

**NEXT MEETING**

Next Meeting: 6<sup>th</sup> May 2012

Location: Conference call – phone

Action Items:

Amar Pani to send the write-up regarding HE workshop and Budhist University  
Sushant Satpathy to send details regarding CCO CD.