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EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

Association of Nepalese in Midwest America (ANMA)

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: 01/08/2017

Meeting Location: Online, Conference call

Recorded by: Bharat Kandel, General Secretary, ANMA

Meeting Conducted by: Bharat Kandel, General Secretary and Bala Ghimire President, ANMA

Meeting Attendees:

- 1. Bala Ghimire
- 2. Shushil Raj Sharma
- Bharat Kandel
- 4. Balram Panthi
- 5. Kailash Kayastha
- 6. Sanjay Ghimire
- 7. Sanjay Shrestha
- 8. Rajendra Khatiwada
- 9. Urmila Panthi
- 10. Benimadhav Kandel
- 11. Ram Hari Neupane
- 12. Diwakar Dahal
- 13. Shyam Basnet

Meeting Start

Meeting Schedule Start: 9:00 AM

Agenda

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Final Update from Joint Convention 2016
- 3. Thank you note to Joint Convention Chairman and convention committee
- 4. Future plan Program in Chicago
- 5. Board of trustee
- 6. Rebuilding Rainaskot project
- 7. Life membership cost and benefits
- 8. Transfer of Bank accounts and ANMA related materials
- 9. Miscellaneous

Introduction:



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Ex Officio Mr. Sushil Sharma ANMA General Secretary Bharat Kandel started the meeting with the permission of the President of ANMA Mr. Bala Ghimire.

Each attendees were given time to introduce themselves and informed the committee about their interest as well as their reasons for joining the ANMA

Final Update from Joint Convention 2016

The Chairman of the Joint Convention 2016 hosted by GSTLNC Mr. Balram Panthi gave his final report of the convention. He thanked everyone for making the convention successful. The convention ended with loss. However, he informed the committee that both ANMA and NASeA covered the loss by raising the funds. The financial committee coordinator Dhiraj Pradhan and ANMA previous treasurer Mr. Bishnu Phuyal will provide the final financial report in the coming weeks.

Thank you note to Joint Convention Chairman and convention committee

ANMA President Mr. Bala Ghimire thanked everyone that was involved in the Joint Convention. He mentioned that special thanks goes to ANMA President Mr. Sushil Raj Sharma, NASeA President Mr. Bimal Nepal, Joint Convention Chairman Mr. Balram Panthi ANMA, Host organization Greater St. Louis Nepali Chautari (GSTLNC) as well as members of GSTLNC along with Core committee members of the Joint Convention 2016.

ANMA General Secretary proposed Vote of Thanks to Joint Convention Chairman and the Convention Committees. The attendees of the executive meeting unanimously approved the vote of Thanks.

Future plan - Program in Chicago

ANMA president proposed that ANMA work with Tourism Board of Nepal to organize a program in Chicago in May 2017.

The committee asked ANMA President Mr. Bala Ghimire and Secretary Mr. Gopal Kandel to explore the idea presented and informed the team by the end of February. Based on the findings and the requirements to host such an event, the executive committee will make the decision in the future meeting.

Board of trustee

General Secretary informed the committee regarding the formation of ANMA Board of Trustee during the General meeting of ANMA held in September 2016. The then President Mr. Sushil Raj Sharma informed the team that the proposal was introduced during ANMA General Assembly and was approved by the members attended. The Board of Trustee will have 5 to 10 members. While post of 5 members was passed during GA, the responsibility of adding more post (up to 10) has been given to the current executive members. During that meeting, GA also passed the formation of the post Advisor to the Board of Trustee.

The meeting decided that core executive body of ANMA will discuss this further and come up with the recommendation by the next meeting of ANMA.

Project "Rebuilding Rainaskot"

ANMA General Secretary informed the project information and ANMA's ongoing support. Mr. Sushil Sharma and Mr. Bala Ghimire updated the members on where we



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stand in terms of support to the project and different activities performed or are ongoing to help the project.

The committee decided President Bala Ghimire and Secretary Gopal Kandel to coordinate with Rainaskot Project co-ordinator Mr. Sarada Thapa and find out where we stand in terms of our previous commitments and how we can help in the future.

Life membership - cost and benefits

ANMA President Mr. Bala Ghimire proposed that we look into current ANMA Life membership information and make changes, if necessary, to be more inclusive. He proposed that a team be formed explore options and collect ideas and suggestion from executive members as well as previous presidents and active ANMA members. After approval from the members present to form the team, ANMA President formally requested long time active ANMA member and past president Mr. Rajendra Khatiwa to lead the team, which he gladly accepted. ANMA vice President Mr. Sanjay Ghimire was also requested to join the team by ANMA President, which he accepted. The team leader Mr. Rajendra Khatiwada is given the responsibility to create a team and start exploring life membership options by collecting comments and suggestions. The team is tasked to present its finding within next two months to the ANMA core committee.

Transfer of Bank accounts and ANMA related materials

ANMA General Secretary proposed that we speed up the process of transferring ANMA related Bank accounts, any other financial information/documents such as Paypal to the current Treasurer and the President. With approval from the members present ANMA President formally requested ex-office Mr. Sushil Raj Sharma to start to coordinate the process of transferring all necessary account information as well as any necessary documents related to ANMA to the current President Mr. Bala Ghimire and Treasurer Mr. Sanjay Ghimire. ANMA General Secretary is requested to act as facilitator if necessary.

Miscellaneous: ANMA Bylaws

ANMA president proposed that we review current bylaws, and proposed necessary amendment. ANMA Senior Vice President Mr. Kailash Kayastha was given the responsibility of working on this task.

Closing remarks: ANMA President Bala Ghimire thanked all the attendees and wished them Happy New Year 2017.

Meeting concluded: 10:45 AM

Next meeting: Telephone conference call. Date (TBD)