

DATE:	Saturday, Apr 01, 2023
TIME:	02:00 PM
LOCATION:	Karori Community Centre



WELLINGTON MAHARASHTRIAN ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED (WMAI)

MEETING CHAIR: Dayanand Deshpande (Atul Deshpande)

MINUTE TAKER: Mandar Kulkarni

ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Deepika joshi
Sayali Narawade
Yatin Kharkar
Madhurika Kulkarni
Dayanand Deshpande
Lakhan Deshpande
Omkar Kulkarni
Deepti Joshi
Rajendra and Mangal Zodgekar
Pooja Shinde
Deepak Mhatre and Deepa Mhatre
Suneel and Sugandha Bhonsule
Nitesh Jogdand
Varsha Vadnerkar
Pratika Bandekar
Shekhar Barpande
Megha Barpande
Mandar Kulkarni
Ila Kulkarni
Ganesh Narawade
Rajeshwari Divekar
Sunil Ubale

Jaimin Tayde
Minoti Kirtikar
Sushant
Mayuri Ninave
Sunil Vadnerkar
Jitendra Hushare
Rekha Khasnis
Shreya Shaligram
Vivek Paranjpe
Jyoti Gosavi
Nilesh Gosavi
Simantini pattekar
Anil Pattekar
Rachana Prathamesh Pednekar
Sagar Divekar
Latika Moghe
Pankaj Ambavane
Vaishali Kharkar
Makrand Velhal
Sangeeta Deshpande
Mamta Vanjani
Juilee Bhandekar
EKNATH BHANDEKAR
BEENA BHANDEKAR
Pramod Deshpande

Proxies

	Name	Proxy given to
1	Smita Shangarpawar	Sachin Shangarpawar
2	Rewa Dixit	Sugandha Bhonsule
3	Rohit Nanekar	Maithelee Nanekar
4	Shweta Ghate	Smita Mahesh Joshi
5	Chinmay Gathoo	Rachana Pednekar
6	Manjiri Ubale	Sunil Ubale
7	Abhinav and Anushri Joshi	Mandar Kulkarni
8	Neeta Gadgil	Deepika Thatte
9	Nandini Raorane	Pooja Shinde
10	Vinit Sonawane	Nitesh Jogdand

11	Gajanan Gosavi	Nilesh Gosavi
12	Prathamesh Pednekar	Rachana Pednekar
13	Anvay Karambelkar	Omkar Kulkarni
14	Jay Deshpande	Dayanand Deshpande
15	Prashant Sonawale	None

AGM MINUTES

DISCUSSION

WMAI Secretary Mandar Kulkarni opened the AGM meeting with Introduction to the WMAI and Health and safety details.

President's Report

Highlights of last 2 years

WMAI is continuing to work in Marathi culture for the last year as well
 We managed to screen movies when the Indian movie distribution started
 Covid forced the Marathi Film industry to a grinding halt - picking up speed now
 WMAI wanted to keep the community together and worked hard on that
 Along with showing movies we organised various community events like
 International yoga day, informal get together etc

Good relationships were established and continued with

Our sponsors – Comprende ,
 Indian High Commission Wellington
 Auckland Maharashtra Association
 Melbourne Marathi Mandal
 Brisbane Marathi Mandal
 Zee TV representative in Australia

- मराठी संस्कृती म्हणजे मराठी मातीचा सुगंध - ओला मृदगंध!
- मराठी संस्कृती म्हणजे साहित्य, नाट्य, संगीत, नृत्य, इत्यादी. म्हणजे
- संस्कृती म्हणजे संस्कार, परंपरा.
- मनुष्य ज्या देशात, प्रांतात, समाजात जन्मतो, वाढतो तेथली सामाजिक वा राष्ट्रीय संस्कृतीच तो आत्मसात करत असतो. अशा प्रकारे प्रत्येक पिढीला पूर्व पिढ्यांनी निर्माण केलेली जीवनपद्धती व जीवनमूल्ये परंपरेच्या रूपाने मिळत असतात. पूर्वजांच्या ठेवीचा हा सामाजिक वारसा म्हणजे संस्कृती होय. प्रत्येक देशातील समाजाच्या आचारविचारांची परंपरा भिन्न भिन्न प्रकारे वैशिष्ट्यपूर्ण असते. देशकाल-परिस्थितिभिन्नत्वामुळे परंपराभिन्नत्व आणि परंपराभिन्नत्वामुळे संस्कृतीचे अनेकत्व सिद्ध होते. मानव म्हणून आपणा सर्वांमध्ये बऱ्याच बाबतीत सारखेपणा असला तरी पाश्चात्य वा पौरस्त्य किंवा युरोपीय आणि भारतीय म्हणून अनेक गोष्टीत वेगवेगळेपणा जाणवतो; म्हणून युरोपीय व भारतीय संस्कृतींचे पृथक्त्व मान्य करावे लागते. तीच गोष्ट भारतीयत्वाची आणि महाराष्ट्रीयत्वाची. पाश्चात्यांच्या किंवा आशियाई देशांच्या संदर्भात आपण जरूर भारतीय संस्कृतीचे आहोत, परंतु भारतीय असूनही आपल्यांत महाराष्ट्रीय, गुजराती, कर्नाटकी, आसामी, बंगाली असा प्रांतपरत्वे वेगळेपणा आहे. हा वेगळेपणा परंपरांचा आहे; म्हणजेच संस्कृतीचा आहे.

- The current committee consists of
 - Dayanand (Atul) Deshpande – President
 - Mandar Kulkarni – Secretary
 - Abhishek Joshi – Treasurer
 - Varsha Vadnerkar – Member

- Sayali Narawade– Member
 - Smita Mahesh Joshi – Member
 - Madhurika Kulkarni– Member
 - Makarand Velhal - Member
- During the last year, everybody in this team has developed excellent community leadership capabilities
 - Unfortunately, most of the meetings were on zoom due to Covid
 - All decisions were well conversed, debated, challenged and agreed with majority
 - Equal opportunity was offered and grabbed

Handover

Today, the existing committee will be handing over the following:

Complete sound system consisting of

12 Channel mixer

2 front of the house speakers

1 monitor for the stage feedback

2 wired microphones

2 wireless microphones

4 lapel microphones

2 mike stands

2 speaker stands

All required cables

The material is in the hall – available for inspection.

The following has been done as part of outgoing activities:

Website wmai.site is hosted on godaddy. My personal credit card was used to renew the subscription - the card has been taken out

Subscription to Adobe is stopped, which was \$51 per month (from my personal account)

Subscription to zoom is now stopped

The website will be updated tonight moving the current committee pages to previous committee

Company's office contact person and IRD contact person needs to be changed

ANZ handover must happen asap

Whatsapp group admins change

On behalf of the current committee and me personally, I wish the very best to the new committee !

Secretary's Report

The president, Atul Deshpande has taken pro-active initiatives, shown leadership and provided guidance.

Thank you Atul.

Treasurer Abhishek Joshi managed the financials of the events including tickets collections and payments.

Thank you Abhishek.

All other committee members actively participated in the decision making

Varsha Vadnerkar

Smita Joshi

Madhurika Sawant

Makarand Velhal

Sayali Narawde

The current committee has completed the term of two years

Total WMAI membership count during the year was 115

Communication with members and non-members was mostly in WhatsApp group

1. WMAI Members Group

2. WMAI - एकमेका साह्य करू Group

WMAI Committee has got its own WhatsApp group and it's the main channel for discussions
All decisions are made with mutual understanding within the committee
Committee meeting minutes were captured, shared and stored on WMAI Google drive
Effective use of online meetings
Effective use of Google Forms to register event interests
Presentations during the events for information sharing

New music system purchased.
Savings of \$400 per event
Available for rent

Events organised so far
Maharashtra Day - at Monterey cinema with quiz. Special Thanks to Atul for Maharashtra related speech.
Cultural Day celebration on 05/Nov
Promotion of local talent for kids and adults
Garba/Dandiya
Meet and greet with new members
Movies Me Vasant, Chandramukhi, Valvi - special Thanks to Atul for negotiating with NZ censor board

Communication
Google Forms to register event interests
Needs Google/gmail account
Configure your mobile phone to this Google account

Event planning challenges other than movies
Confirm number of attendees (please RSVP especially for AGM)
Saturday evening best suited (Sunday morning's hall unavailable)

Treasurer's Report

Post covid, it is continuing to being a challenging period , WMAI did manage to host couple of events and 3 movie screenings during the year with great success. Thanks to the support of the community.
WMAI has consistently maintained healthy reserves enabling to spend more on key elements of event planning like selection of right venues, providing good catering, providing quality sound systems etc to be able to host successful events.
WMAI has now started building its own assets (resources) starting off with a top quality sound system.
WMAI ran promotion event to attract new members (e.g New members just pay joining fees)
This year we had 32 new people join the WMAI member's club showing growing support to WMAI in turn helping WMAI to organise more such events. We now have 115 members and still counting.

Maintain regular account keeping
Maintain and control payment details per event
File IRD and Companies office returns on a regular basis
Provide regular monetary benefits to members per event

Account Statement 2021-22

Collection

	No.	Amount
Membership Renewal	67	\$737.00
New Members	26	\$546.00
15 Aug Programme		\$1945.00
Jhimma Movie		\$675.00
Pandu Movie		\$748.00
Panghrun Movie		\$765.00
Pawankhind Movie		\$1113.00
Phil Mac (Raywhite) Sponsorship		\$250.00
Comprende Sponsorship		\$500.00
WMAI Steps Challenge (Comprende Sponsorship)		\$200.00
Yoga Day (HCI Sponsorship)		\$350.00
Others (Interest, Tax)		\$3.29
Total		\$7832.29

Expenses

	No.	Amount
AGM (20 -21) AGM Expenses		\$218.00
15 Aug Programme		\$1738.17
International Yoga Day Programme		\$313.50
Jhimma Movie		\$629.05
Pandu Movie		\$720.92
Panghrun Movie		\$727.71
Pawankhind Movie		\$1008.00
WMAI website hosting yearly plan		\$178.68
WMAI Steps Challenge		\$300.00
WMAI Covid Support Bank Charges		\$9.00
Others (Interest, Tax)		\$1.48
Total		\$5844.51

Account Balance

	Amount
Opening Balance	\$2245.11
Collection	\$7832.29
Expenses	-\$5844.51
Account Balance	\$4232.89



Collection

	No	Per Person	Amount
Members	46	\$15.00	\$690.00
Non-Members	6	\$20.00	\$120.00
Child (5-15 years)	6	\$10.00	\$60.00
Total			\$870.00

Expenses

	Amount
Cinema Hall Hire	\$423.00
Food	\$116.00
Expenses	\$71.14
Total	\$610.14



	Amount
Collection	\$870.00
Expenses	-\$610.14
Total	\$259.86





Collection

	No.	Per Person	Amount
Members	29	\$12.00	\$348.00
Non Members	5	\$16.00	\$80.00
Children (5 - 15 yrs)			
		Total	\$428.00

Expenses

	Amount
Cinema Hall	\$340.00
Total	\$340.00



	Amount
Collection	\$428.00
Expenses	-\$340.00
Total	\$88.00



Cultural Day Celebrations

Collection

	No.	Per Person	Amount
Members	48	\$20.00	\$960.00
Non Members	28	\$25.00	\$700.00
Children (5 - 15 yrs)	18	\$10.00	\$180.00
		Total	\$1830.00

Expenses

	Amount
Lighting	\$60.00
Hall hire	\$213.74
Food	\$2140.00
Other Expenses	\$255.08
Total	\$2668.82



	Amount
Collection	\$1830.00
Expenses	-\$2668.82
Total	-\$838.82





Collection

	No.	Per Person	Amount
Members	36	\$18.00	\$648.00
Non Members	4	\$23.00	\$92.00
Children (5 - 15 yrs)			
		Total	\$740.00

Expenses

	Amount
Movie Royalty	\$278.35
Cinema Hall	\$440.00
DCP Postage	
Total	\$718.35



	Amount
Collection	\$740.00
Expenses	-\$718.35
Total	\$21.65



Meet & Greet Event

Expenses

	Amount
Hall Hire	\$60.00
Expenses	\$160.87
Total	\$220.87



Account Statement 2022-23

Collection

	No.	Amount
Membership Renewal	83	\$1168.00
New Members	32	\$573.00
Kashmir Files (c/f from 2021 – 22)		\$1234.00
Mi Vasant Rao Movie		\$870.00
Chandra Mukhi Movie		\$428.00
Cultural Day Event		\$1830.00
Vaalvi Movie		\$740.00
Forum Films NZ Sponsorship		\$300.00
Comprende Sponsorship		\$500.00
Sound System (Dayanand Deshpande Sponsorship)		\$400.00
Oracle Hearing Ltd Sponsorship		\$400.00
LMP Sponsorship		\$300.84
Others (Interest ,Tax, Sound system hire)		\$38.40
Total		\$8782.24

Expenses

	No.	Amount
AGM (21-22) Expenses		\$525.82
AGM (22-23) Hall Hire Deposit		\$368.00
Income Tax for the period ending 31 March 2022		\$1185.21
Kashmir Files (c/f from 2021-22)		\$740.00
International Yoga Day Programme		\$50.00
Mi Vasant Rao Movie		\$610.14
Chandramukhi Movie		\$340.00
Cultural Day Movie		\$2668.82
Vaalvi Movie		\$718.35
WMAI website hosting yearly plan		\$200.37
Meet & Greet Event		\$220.87
WMAI Sound System Charges		\$3069.00
Wireless Microphones		\$345.50
Sound System Insurance (2023)		\$257.00
Sound System Insurance (2022)		\$257.39
Others (Interest, Tax)		\$14.13
Total		\$11570.60



Account Statement 2022-23

Account Balance

	Amount
Opening Balance	\$4232.89
Collection	\$8782.24
Expenses	-\$11570.60
Account Balance	\$1444.53



Elections

Nominations for President are
Rajeshree Barpande

Nominations for Secretary are
Deepika Thatte

Nominations for Treasurer are
Madurika Kulkarni
Anurag Nanote

Please write only one name of your choice for Treasurer on red voting paper.

Nominations for Committee members are
Vishal Tandon
Jitendra Hushare
Smita Shangarpawar
Mrudula Velhal
Sayali Narawade

Select 2 people of your choice, write names on separate papers.
Please write first choice name on first blue/purple paper
Please write second choice name on second blue/purple paper

Voting results, new Managing Committee is:

President : Rajesshree Barpande (elected unopposed, no other nominees)

Secretary : Deepika Thatte (elected unopposed, no other nominees)

Treasurer : Madhurika Kulkarni

Committee member 1 : Vishal Tandon

Committee member 2 : Sayali Narawade

The above new Committee decided to include 2 more additional members based on the votes, they are:

Committee member 3 : Jitendra Hushare

Committee member 4 : Smita Shangarpawar

Discussion Forum

Handover of WMAI items

Music system

Water cans

No amendments to the Constitution.

WMAI AGM meeting concluded at 5.00 pm.