

SWIMMING FEDERATION OF INDIA

Minutes of the Annual General Body Meeting held on Sunday 24th October 2021 at 5:30 p m at Hotel Shangri-la, Bangalore.

List of the members present in the meeting is attached as Annexure "A".

As the President SFI Shri R N Jayaprakash informed that due to important engagement he could not able to attend the meeting, Shri Piyush Sharma Vice President SFI proposed the name of Shri Balraj Sharma Vice President SFI to preside over the meeting, this was seconded by Shri Anil Vyas Vice President SFI and Shri Raj Kumar Asso. Vice President SFI and house accepted the proposal and Shri Balraj Sharma presided over the meeting.

Shri Balraj Sharma called the house in order and announced that the meeting has required quorum. He welcomed all the members of the Annual General Body meeting and praised for the arrangements for the meeting as well as for the National Championships in Bangalore and thanked Shri Gopal Hosur, President KSA and Shri M. Satish Kumar Hony Secretary KSA for the same. He requested General Secretary SFI Shri Monal Chokshi to proceed with Agenda items.

General Secretary SFI Shri Monal Chokshi welcomed all the members of the Annual General Body meeting and thanked them for attending the meeting in pandemic situation. He informed the members that since last meeting we have lost our very good Swimming and Water polo official from Bengal Shri Shyam Sunder Das and requested members to observe 1 minutes silence to pay the respect to departed official. All Members observed the silence. After he proceed with Agenda Items.

Agenda Item No. 1 : The Minutes of the Special General Body meeting held on 28th February 2021 at 10:30 a m virtually to amend the constitution of SFI as per National Sports Code – 2011, and FINA Constitution, which was circulated to all members along with Agenda papers. The minutes was approved unanimously as proposed by Shri Ravin Kapoor (U P) and seconded by Shri M. Satish Kumar.(Karnataka).

The Minutes of the Annual General Body Meeting held on 28th February 2021 at 11:45 a m virtually, which was circulated to all members along with Agenda Papers. The minutes was approved unanimously as proposed by Shri Anil Khatri (Haryana) and seconded by Shri Sudesh Nagvenkar (Goa).

Agenda Item No. 2 : The Annual Report of General Secretary, Swimming Federation of India on the activities of the federation for the year 2020-21 was circulated to all members along with the Agenda papers, was presented before the house by General Secretary SFI Shri Monal Chokshi for adoption. The Report of 2020 -21 was adopted as proposed by Shri Kamlesh Nanavati (Guj) and seconded by Shri Anil Vyas (Raj).

General Secretary SFI Shri Monal Chokshi informed the members that Shri Virendra Nanavati is elected from World at Large seat from Asia as a FINA Bureau Member for the next term of four years i.e. 2021 – 2025. Members of the house congratulate Shri Nanavati and wish him all success on his FINA Bureau election.

Agenda Item No. 3 : The annual accounts of the federation for the year 2020 – 21 duly audited by M/s. R S Patel & Co. Chartered Accountant was circulated to all members along with Agenda papers, was presented before the members by Shri M. Ramakrishna, Treasurer, SFI for approval, after certain clarification on accounts Shri Ramanuj Mukhopadhyay (Bengal) proposed to approve the accounts, the proposal was seconded by Shri Piyush Sharma (M P) and the accounts were approved unanimously.

Agenda Item No, 4 : The Annual Budget for the year 2022 – 23 was presented by General Secretary SFI Shri Monal D. Chokshi before the house. The Budget was earlier circulated to all the members along with Agenda and as amended by Executive Committee was placed for approval. The amended Budget was approved unanimously as proposed by Shri S. K. Tiwari (Jharkhand) and seconded by Shri Pradeep Padhee (Odisha).

Agenda Item No. 5: General Secretary SFI Shri Monal Chokshi proposed that M/s R. S. Patel & Co. Chartered Accountants, Ahmedabad be appointed as an Auditor for the year 2021 – 22 with remuneration of Rs.5000/= plus Taxes. The proposal was approved unanimously as proposed by Shri Bhaskar Das and Seconded by Shri Mayur Vyas.

Agenda Item No. 6 : To elect Senior Vice President SFI for the remaining Term;
General Secretary SFI Shri Monal Chokshi informed the members that as per the amended constitution which was approved by FINA, one post of Senior Vice President is created and is to be filled by election.

Shri Balraj Sharma President of the meeting, proposed the name of Shri Virendra Nanavati member of FINA Bureau, who is now member of this house for the post of SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, which was seconded by Shri Anil Vyas (Raj) and Shri Raj Kumar (Delhi) as there was no other proposal for the post, Shri Virendra Nanavati was declared elected unanimously as announced by Shri Balraj Sharma from the Chair.

Shri Virendra Nanavati thanked the members for electing him unanimously as Senior Vice President and assured the house to render his best services to the aquatic sports.

Agenda Item No. 7 : To decide events calendar for 2022 -23 & allot events to the affiliated units. General Secretary SFI Shri Monal Chokshi proposed the calendar of events to be conducted during 2022-23 and invited offer from units to conduct the events. SFI received the offer to hold Sub Junior & Junior National Aquatic Championships – 2022 from Odhisa Swimming Association and Senior National Aquatic Championships – 2022 from Assam Swimming Association. House accepted the offer and final date will be decided in consultation with SFI.

For all events it was decided as under;

1. Senior National - Assam - August 2022
2. Junior National - Odhisa - June/July 2022
3. Sub Junior National – Odhisa – June / July 2022

4. National Ranking Event - November 2022
5. Inter Club Swimming & Water polo - October end 2022
6. National Masters Championships - November / December 2022
7. Open Water Swimming Championships –
8. National Short Course Championships - before 15th November 2022

Entry limitation of participation from units

Shri Kamlesh Nanavati suggested that in some of the events National Medal winner should not be permitted to motivate other swimmers to enter and win. There were other suggestions also. It was decided to constitute the committee to prepare guideline for Short Course Championships, National Ranking Tournament, Inter Club Swimming and Water Polo Championships.

The committee of following members were constituted to submit their suggestions;

1. Shri Balraj Sharma - Chairman
2. Shri S. Pradeep Kumar – National Coach
3. Shri Kamlesh Nanavati - Member
4. Shri M. Satish Kumar - Member
5. Shri S. Rajiv - Member
6. Shri Nihar Ameen - Member
7. Shri Virbhawal Khade - Member

General Secretary SFI Shri Monal Chokshi - Ex – Officio Member

Sr. Vice President SFI Shri Virendra Nanavati – Ex – Officio Member

The committee will submit its report before 31st December 2021.

Agenda Item No. 8 : General Secretary SFI Shri Monal Chokshi gave the detail report on progress on implementation of CFDCP project and informed that all Coaches who will be registered, will be assessed for their level and accordingly their level will be registered in GMS Portal. The coaches who registered will be permitted to appear for Level I course without charging any Extra fees.

At present it was decided to Fix Rs.3000/= as Registration Fees for Coach and it was also decided that no fees will be charged for Level I exam of a Registered Coach.

Other Level Fess Structure for examination will be decided by General Secretary SFI in consultation with President, Senior Vice President and National Coach.

Agenda Item No. 9 : General Secretary SFI Shri Monal Chokshi informed the members that FINA has approved under FINA Development Program – 2021 our project “SFI Talent Identification & Development project” in coloboration with Dr. Genadijus Sokolovas from USA and extended full financial assistance for this project. Dr. Genadijus Sokolovas has already started the project and he informed the house that it will be implemented before 31st December 2021 and our top swimmers will be covered in the project and long term training and program will be supported them for preparation for higher level events.

Shri S. Pradeep kumar – National coach also gave his suggestions for implementing this project to Indian Swimmers.

Agenda Item No. 10 : General Secretary SFI Shri Monal Chokshi informed the members about last meeting discussion on Registration of Players/Coaches. He suggested that Rs.2000/= per player per year should be registration fees and how the Registered players will be benefitted with registration with SFI be getting special discount on certain items.

After discussion majority of the members suggested to have Rs. 1000/= Registration Fees per player per year and house decided to implement this registration Fees from next year onward i.e. 2022-23 onwards.

It was also decided that this Registration of Players shall be compulsory for State level event onwards. No player shall be permitted in state level event without SFI UID.

For All India Board all players must be Registered to enter in Selection/Competition at their unit level with SFI UID and at Board level events.

Any violation by either State unit or Board or NSA will be liable to penalty of Rs.25000/=.

Member unit will be shared @ 40% after deduction of Taxes and expenses on number of Registration of players with SFI UID portal from the unit.

Agenda Item No. 11 : With the permission of the Chair;

- 1) Shri Virendra Nanavati proposed that in consultation with Coaches and member units about the Age Groups and events in Sub Junior National Aquatic Championships, It is proposed that at present Sub Junior National Aquatic Championships is divided in 3 Age groups i.e. 9 years, 10 years and 11 years.

Age Group 9 years will be discontinued and Age Group 10 Years and 11 Years will be merged to one group i.e. 10 years & 11 years as Group III for Sub Junior National Aquatic championships with Swimming events of present Group 11 be retained.

- The proposal was seconded by Shri Piyush Sharma (MP), Shri S. Rajiv (Kerala), Shri M. Satish kumar (Karnataka), Shri Ramanuj Mukhopadhyay (Bengal) and house approved, the proposal unanimously and will be implemented from year 2022-23 onwards.

- 2) Shri Virendra Nanavati proposed that as per National Sports Code and SFI Constitution was amended on 28th February 2021 and come in to force after 15th April 2021 after approval of FINA.

As per amended constitution all Boards will continue their membership as Associate Member without voting right and as associate member their Annual membership fees will be Rs. 5000/= per year.

Any New State Unit / Union Territory become member will be given Associate membership for first 2 years with Annual membership fees Rs. 2000/= per year and will be entitled to enter their teams for all events conducted by SFI.

After 2 years, the AGM will review their membership and considering the activities may grant Affiliation to State Unit/ Union Territory unit.

Proposal was seconded by Shri Bhaskar Das and Shri Raj Kumar and was approved unanimously.

- 3) Shri Virendra Nanavati informed the members that SFI has received following application for membership with SFI.

1. Pondicherry
2. Mizoram
3. Tripura

Above three units will be granted Associate Membership and will be permitted to participate in all events of SFI for 2 years from 2022-23 and after 2 years considering their activities and participation AGM may grant affiliation as regular member.

The house unanimously approved this proposal as seconded by Shri Piyush Sharma and Shri M. Satish Kumar.

- 4) Shri Ramanuj Mukhopadhyay proposed that SFI should write to IOA & MYAS and Railway Ministry to reinstate Railway concession for participating teams and Players for National level tournaments.

This was supported by members and General Secretary SFI assured to write to IOA, MYAS and Railway Ministry to reinstate Railway concession.

As there was no other items on Agenda, meeting ended with a Vote of thanks to the Chair.

All members were invited to join the Dinner hosted by Swimming Federation of India.