

Minutes of Special GBM held on 14th August 2016 at Hotel Pearl, Kolhapur at 1:30pm

As per resolution passed during the MOS Managing Committee at the MC meet held on 10th July 2016 at PYC Gymkhana, Pune - the secretary of the Maharashtra Ophthalmological society (MOS), Dr. Taswala announced to convene a special General Body Meeting on the 14th August 2016 at Hotel Pearl, Kolhapur at 1:00pm. Due absence of quorum the meeting was adjourned. It was held again after 30 minutes at the same venue. A roll call of the attendees was taken.

The Maharashtra Ophthalmological Society President Dr. Salil Gadkari welcomed all present and read out the explanatory note as circulated with the Notice for the SGBM one month prior to day of the meeting. It was as follows:-Explanatory note:

Members of the executive body of MOS have been receiving demands from members to prevent registration of non member, non allopathic doctors for the MOSCON conference. As per the resolution passed in the AGM at Solapur 2014 it was decided to allow such persons to register for the conference but they were not to be given an attendance certificate. Matters were brought to a head by a legal notice being served on the society, on 9/7/2016, by one of our members, Dr. Santosh Kulkarni, seeking to disallow attendance of non allopathic doctors for the annual MOS conference. The matter was discussed at the Managing committee meeting held on 10/7/2016. Opinion of legal advisor of MOS Dr. A. A. Deshpande was sought. It was decided to call for a special general body to deliberate on this matter and to adopt new byelaws if there is a mandate from the special GBM to do so.

The matter was put to vote in the SGBM : whether the members wanted a continuation of the status quo or did they want enactment/ amendment of new bye laws to bar attendance to those other than Allopathic (MBBS) Ophthalmologists and allopathic (MBBS) Ophthalmologists in training .

The members unanimously voted for amendment of the bye laws to allow attendance only to allopathic (MBBS) Ophthalmologists and allopathic (MBBS) Ophthalmologists in training at the conference / CME/any educational activities. The resolution was proposed by Dr Khanvilkar & seconded by Dr Sanjay Rasal.

Dr. A. A. Deshpande read out the amendment to the bye laws he had drafted. Each point was discussed word by word and the following draft was adopted unanimously by the members present. The resolution to adopt these bye laws was proposed by Dr. Milind Killedar and seconded by Dr. Santosh Aphale. They are as under:

Amendments to the Bye Laws

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Amendments are suggested as per the special general body meeting of the Maharashtra ophthalmological society held on 14th Aug 2016 at 1:30pm at Pearl Hotel, Kolhapur and were accepted by majority. The Amendments are as below.

1. Registration for conference/CME/ any educational activities should be given to only Allopathic (M.B.B.S.) Ophthalmologists having postgraduate degree or diploma
 - A) The spouses and family members should be added as additional delegates and will be charged separately and the amount will be decided by the LOC for the particular conference with consultation with MOS managing committee.
 - B) The additional delegates will not be given attendance certificate.
2. The MOS members should mention the MOS membership number on the registration form.
3. The non-MOS members, who are allopathic (M.B.B.S.) ophthalmologists, should attach Xerox of the allopathic post graduate degree or diploma certificate along with the registration form.
4. Non M.B.B.S. medical persons will not be admissible as faculty.
5. The authority to reject registration, participation or adding of additional delegates shall be vested with the LOC with consultation with managing Committee MOS and shall not be bound to give any explanation to the concerned and shall not be challenged in any Court. The decision of Managing Committee will be final and irrevocable
6. P.G. student registration will be done only after confirming certificate from his PG teacher on institutional letter head with stamp and if required from concerned institution.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the MOS secretary, Dr. Jignesh Taswala. As per procedure another GBM would be held after a month to confirm the minutes of this meeting and thereby complete the process of amendment in the byelaws. It was tentatively decided to hold it on 18th sept 2016 at Mumbai during CME in Borivli. Those present were informed that all MOS members will be notified in writing at least one month prior to the meeting.