



**Indian Orthopaedic Society (UK)**



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**Minutes of AGM held during IOS UK Conference on 28/06/08, Liverpool.**

Chairman: Mr. Murti Gollapudi,  
Present: Mr Venu Kavarthapu, Anand Arya,  
Executive committee members and life Members

1. Update on last years activities:  
Mr Murti Gollapudi explained the activities of the IOS UK and the exciting developments happened in the year 2007-08. The expansion of Indo British Travelling Fellowships, sponsored by Biomet and the proposed BOA Instructional Course Lectures in India as well as the 'Indian Summer' day at the next BOA Annual Congress were updated. Detailed information was provided in the June Newsletter
2. Financial update:  
Mr Anand Arya updated the financial position of the Society. We are in excellent financial health, thanks to the large number of life members joined recently and the surplus money from the Birmingham annual meeting. The current financial position is a positive balance of £20878, an increase from £9158 from last year. The options of opening interest earning accounts or fixed deposits for surplus funds were discussed.
3. New members joined:  
Mr Venu Kavarthapu gave an update on the new members joined last year. The number of life members increased from 98 from last year to 158 and this was widely welcomed. It has been stressed that all members should contribute to the membership drive and the number of life members could potentially be increased to 500 in the next 2 years.
4. Other types of memberships:  
Mr Gollapudi informed about the new Honorary Membership offered to the recognised British Orthopaedic surgeons, widely known to have contributed to the development of Indian Orthopaedics. In general, the existing BOA president is offered honorary membership for his/her contribution to the IOS UK activities. The British Orthopaedic surgeons who gave lectures in IOS UK meetings, contributed to the career development of Indian Orthopaedic Surgeons are considered. The names of the Honorary Members each year will be finalised in the AGM meetings.  
  
Discussion took place whether it is good to have a nationally recognised person, as a Patron of IOS UK. No decision has been made on this issue.
5. Co-ordinator role with IOA:  
It has been emphasised and agreed that the secretary of the IOS UK will be the official co-ordinator and the point of contact for general communication between IOS UK, IOA and BOA.
6. The IOS UK overseas representative:  
It has been recognised the need for having IOS UK overseas representatives in India to liaise with IOA and the State Chapters. Their role is to update the IOS

about the local activities and meetings in India. The selected representative should have been a life member of IOS UK, worked in UK for a few years and returned to India and would represent a selected region in India. Deepak Shivaratre expressed interest for this role to represent South India. Any other interested members to represent other regions (North, East, West and Central) should contact Mr Venu Kavarthapu.

7. Regional representatives- Membership drive, road shows:

It has been decided to increase the membership of the organisation by creating regional representatives to co-ordinate the membership drive within their regions. Total of 8 regions are recognised and a number of members expressed their interests:

South East:	Mr Samsani Srinivas
London:	Sunil Garg
South West:	(Mr Sashi Garg to advise or any other proposals)
Midlands:	Kirti Maholkar
North East:	Sunil Dachevall
North West:	Sashi Garg
Wales:	Amit Sinha
Scotland:	(Any proposals welcomed)

The role of the regional representatives is to arrange a local educational meetings / road show to encourage new members to take up life membership.

8. Future IOS UK annual meetings:

There was excellent response from members to host the future annual meetings. Mr Amit Sinha expressed interest to host the 2009 meeting in Wales. This was particularly welcomed, as the IOS UK meeting has not been held in Wales so far. Mr Samsani Srinivas will hold the 2010 meeting in the garden County of Kent. The 2011 meeting will be held in Lake District.

9. Any other business:

Mr Muddu proposed a proportion of profit made from the IOS UK meeting should be made available for the Organising secretary to use for research purposes in his hospital. However, the members expressed that the funds available will be quite inadequate to provide any type research.

10. Next meeting:

The date and venue of the next Executive committee meeting will be decided in the coming few weeks.

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