

Minutes of Governing Body Meeting of Indian Society of Blood Transfusion and Immunohaematology (ISBTI) held at 12:30 PM on 27th September, 2019 at Punjab Institute of Medical Sciences (PIMS), Jalandhar.

Governing Body Meeting of ISBTI was held under the chairmanship of Dr Yudhbir Singh President of the society. The meeting was attended by the following:

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| 1. Dr Kulbir Kaur | Deputy President (Medico) |
| 2. Dr T. R. Raina | Deputy President (Motivational) |
| 3. Dr Sangeeta Pathak | Secretary General, ISBTI |
| 4. Dr Mohit Chowdhry | Treasurer ISBTI |
| 5. Dr Purushotam Paliwal | Chairperson North Zonal Council |
| 6. Dr Kusum Thakur | Chairman-ISBTI Punjab Chapter |
| 7. Dr H.S. Lamba | Organising Secretary, Transcon-2019 |
| 8. Dr Rimpreet Walia | Organising Secretary, Transcon-2019 |
| 9. Dr Manvir Singh | Joint- Treasurer, ISBTI |
| 10. Dr M.P. Singh | Treasurer, Transcon-2019 (Special Invitee) |

At the outset Dr Kulbir Kaur Organising Chairperson Transcon-2019 and Director Principal PIMS Jalandhar welcomed all the members of the governing body of ISBTI and members of organising committee present in the meeting. She gave an overview of the preparations for the forthcoming conference. Then Dr Rimpreet Walia Organising Secretary gave a presentation on preparations made for the conference. All the members present there appreciated the efforts made by the organising committee.

Then Dr Yudhbir Singh President ISBTI welcomed all the members of the Governing Body and members of Organising committee Trascon-2019. He was happy to observe that the organising committee of 44th conference is making all round efforts to make the conference a grand success.

He told that he along with Dr Raina Deputy President had attended a 3 Day conference of India Convention Promotion Bureau (ICPB) at Kochin in August 2019. He requested Dr Raina to give the details of the experience/learnings in the conference. Dr Raina told that ICPB has recognised ISBTI as one of the best organisations in the country who is holding conferences on regular basis for the last more than 40 years. ISBTI would certainly be benefited by its association with ICPB. Our organisation fulfils all the requirements of ICPB.

The President handed over the proceedings to Dr Sangeeta Pathak, Secretary General to further discuss the agenda points.

1. Approval of the minutes of the last GBM meeting held on 20.10.2018 at 11:30 AM through Tele-conferencing

Each agenda item of last Governing Body Meeting held on 20.10.2018 was deliberated upon in detail by the members and approved unanimously.

2. Action taken on the decisions of the previous meeting.

All the decisions taken in the previous meeting have been implemented.

3. ISBTI Annual Awards and Fellowships for the year 2018-19

There was detailed discussion on the issue. Three committees were constituted for the purpose:

1. For ISBTI awards the committee would consist of the Organising Chairperson Transcon-2019, the President and Secretary General. For “**Awards of Excellence**” modalities would be worked out by the Organising Chairperson Transcon-2019.
2. For Fellowships organising committee of Transcon-2019 will take all the decisions.
3. There would be a special Awards Ceremony for Promotion of Voluntary Blood Donation. All the decisions regarding this ceremony would be taken by the committee consisting of Organising Chairperson Transcon-2019, Dr T.R. Raina and Dr Kusum Thakur.

4. Confirmation of new membership

The forms dully filled up for new membership received from different state Chapters were discussed and approved by the Governing Body.

9 Any other point with the permission of the chair

Organizing International Event:

Dr Purshotam Paliwal wanted the society to bid for organizing International Event on World Blood Donor Day in 2021 /2022. Dr Raina and Dr Paliwal were requested to contact various organisations like WHO and ICPB for further modalities.

Dr Mohit Chowdhry informed the house that the department of Transfusion Medicine, Indraprastha Apollo Hospital under the aegis of ISBTI would be organizing second Hands on training (HOT) course for 15 days in HLA for all Transfusion Medicine specialists. A special discount of Rs 5000 would be given to all ISBTI members.

All the members present in the meeting appreciated the initiative taken and efforts made by Dr Mohit Chowdhry.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Dr. Sangeeta Pathak
Secretary General