



Indian Association of Cardiovascular Thoracic Anaesthesiologists (IACATA) Annual General Body Meeting – 2022, Madurai

(Brief for IACATA website)

Date: 26.03.2022; 06:30 PM to 08:30 PM

Venue: Main conference hall, Courtyard by Marriot, Madurai

Meeting chaired by: President IACATA

On dais: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sr. Vice President, Chief Editor ACA, Registrar (ICCA).

Meeting clerks: Mr. Manoj KM and Mr. Satinder Pal Singh.

Participants: Total participants: 103.

President brought the house to order and asked the secretary to start the meeting.

1. **Presidential address:** Dr. P K Neema welcomed all the members of IACATA to annual general body meeting 2022 of IACATA.
2. **Approval of the minutes of GBM held at Goa:** The minutes of the GBM held on 28.02.2022 on virtual platform were approved by the house.
3. **Induction of new life members of IACATA:** Membership of 105 new members was approved by GBM.
4. **Selection of new EC members:**
 - a. **Associate VP, Secretary, Treasurer and Executive Council members:** These posts there was no election as single valid applications were there. Elected members were Dr. Thomas Koshy (Associate VP; Dr. Kanagarajan (Secretary), Dr. S. Kumar (Treasurer).
 - b. There were following posts of EC getting vacant as follows:
 - i. EC member (south): Three vacant seats. Elected members: Dr. Satish Kumar D, Dr. Kamala Kanan and Dr. Nagaraja PS.
 - ii. EC member (West): Total vacant seats 2 and two valid applications. Dr. Vijay Shetty and Dr. Nilesh Juvekar were elected.
 - iii. EC member central zone: For 2 seats, there were 3 valid applications. Voting was done and Dr. B. Srinivasulu Reddy and Dr. Shyam Sunder Ayya won the election and declared elected.
 - iv. EC East zone: There was one seat vacant and no application. President nominated Dr. Priyanka Goyal for this EC post.
5. **Travelling fellowships:** Secretary informed that as the travelling fellowships of previous years.
 - a. **Following have completed the fellowship:**
 - National Travelling Fellowship 2020:** Dr Anuja Kulkarni
 - National Travelling Fellowship 2021:** Dr. Gegal Pruthi

The trophies and certificates of travelling fellowship was presented to the recipients by IACATA President.

Followings are yet to complete the fellowship:

International fellowship 2020: Dr. Suma Rao (renewed for cancellation and refunded the advance money given to her)

International fellowship 2021: Dr. Anuja Kulkarni (yet to start)

We advertised for applications and following applications were received:

International Travelling fellowship (2020) Dr. DV Bhargava

International fellowship 2022: Dr. Gegal Pruthi

National Travelling fellowship 2022: Dr. Reena Chhabra

6. Appointment of different posts of ICCA: Following office bearers of ICCA were approved by GBM::

- a. Chancellor, ICCA: **Dr. Prabhat Tewari**
- b. Vice Chancellor: **Dr. Muralidhar Kanchi**
- c. Registrar: **Dr. Rajesh Arya**
- d. Dean Echo: **Dr. Vinayak Desurkar**
- e. Dean Exam: **Dr. Sandeep Mutha**
- f. Dean Research: **Dr. Satyajeet Misra**
- g. Dean Academics: **Dr. Vishwas Malik**

Dr. Sameer proposed and Dr. Nilesh Juvekar seconded, and house approved the names. President asked the secretary to issue the letter of appointment.

The selection committee made following recommendations which were accepted by the EC and presented before the GBM and were accepted by GBM:

- IACTA members can nominate self or some other life member of IACTA.
- All the delegates/faculty participating the annual conference/TEE conference or IACTA endorsed conference should sign the attendance register so that this criteria can be checked.
- If any candidate is short of some minor eligibility criteria, and if selection committee agrees to wave off those deficiencies, then the President IACTA, as chairman of the selection committee, should have power to overrule these minor deficiencies and should have power to wave them off.
- For number of posts one person is nominated or self-applied, committee recommends that if one person applies for more than one positions, his candidature should be cancelled.

7. Selection of Chief editor, ACA and Chief Editor Echo Library:

- **Chief Editor, Annals of Cardiac Anaesthesia:** GBM approved the recommendations of the selection committee and the EC the name of Dr. Mukul Chandra Kapoor as Chief Editor, ACA (term 2022 to 2027).
- **Chief Editor, IACTA Echo Library:** As there are no fixed rules for selection on this post, EC extended the period of Dr. C Kumar as Chief editor for one more year i.e. 2023 and meanwhile, requested the next office bearers of EC to form byelaws and process for the selection of Chief Editor, IACTA Echo Library.

8. Secretary's report:

- a. IACTA website: Secretary informed about the new features on IACTA website i.e. updated profile page, membership certificate, date of birth update on website and many more. Secretary informed that for adding new features, the extra cost was paid to our website designer (Three Brackets). For all this work, secretary proposed a Rs.5000/- increase in the AMC of www.iacta.co.in and this was approved by house.
- b. **IACTA endorsed workshops:**
 - i. IACTA TEE workshop at NH Bangalore: The finances of the workshop were managed by IACTA central body. Total income from industry sponsorship was Rs.300000/- and total expenditure was Rs.194650/- (Mediknit, office staff, KMC registration, Golden FATE, TEE books prize). Overall, there was surplus of income over expenditure of Rs.105350/-. As the conference was on virtual platform and we were in surplus money, the IACTA contribution of three lacs was not asked for by the organizer.

- ii. TEE workshop at Medanta: The workshop was conducted on a virtual platform with the help of Mediknit company. The finances were managed by the organizers. As there was no requirement of funds, IACTA contribution of Rs. One lac was not asked by the organizers.
 - iii. 3D TEE workshop: Because of Dr. Naman's personal health reasons, he could not conduct the workshop. He shall be organizing the same in near future.
- c. **Certificate of honor:** Certificate of honor were presented to the past secretaries, treasurers, Chancellors, Vice Chancellors, Registrars, IERC chairman, IERC Coordinator, chief editors of ACA and Echo Library and past organizing secretaries of IACTAC annual conferences.
- d. **Conference endorsement:** On request of Dr. J. Ender, "Leipzig Perioperative TEE Master classes" conference was endorsed by IACTA.
- e. **IACTA Byelaw committee report:** An interim report of IACTA Byelaw Committee report, as approved by IACTA EC was presented to the GBM for approval. This document included all the byelaws, rules, regulations, procedures, and protocols made ICCA (an academic unit of IACTA). The tenure of IACTA Byelaw Committee was extended for 6 months to complete the document. Dr. Gopinath proposed and Dr. Anand Kumar seconded, and the house approved the document.
- f. **Protocol for inauguration ceremony:** House approved the secretary's proposed to add Chancellor and one more person proposed by the organizing team to be part of the dignitaries on the stage.
- g. **IACTA life membership Committee report:** The report of the "IACTA Life membership Committee" was presented to the GBM. All agreed to increase the life membership of IACTA from present 4000/- to 6000/- and international membership fee to remain same as 250 USD (effective from 01.04.2022). There was discussion on different type of membership, their fee, their eligibility criteria. Finally, it was decided that this issue to be discussed and reviewed again by the EC and come with recommendations in next GBM.
- h. **Lifetime achievement award and Orations for 2023:** Following names were proposed by selection committee, approved by EC and finally the GBM approved them as:
 Lifetime achievement award (2023): **Dr. Deepak Tempe**
 Dr. VA Punnoose oration (2023): **Dr. Manisha Mishra**
 Brig. PN Bhatt oration (2023): **Dr. Achal Dhir**
- i. **Police enquiry for IACTA conferences:** IACTA office received an enquiry from ACP office, Rohini Delhi, related to some FIR. They asked the conference organizers details of 2005, 2006 and 2007 years. Details was provided to ACP office by email. There was no further details asked on this by ACP office.
- j. **IACTA international symposium:** The international symposium was conducted every 2 yrs. And this year also, was conducted on 26.03.2022 at Madurai on virtual platform. Representatives of societies of Nepal, Bangladesh, Brazil, Singapore, South Africa and host India participated.
- k. **Whatsapp massaging for IACTA:** IACTA has started whatsapp messaging services.
- l. **Electronic voting system for IACTA:** Dr. Rajesh presented his proposal for electronic voting. The proposal is under discussion with EC.
- m. **ISCA partnership:** Few international society office bearers wrote letter to us asking to form "International Society of Cardiac Anaesthesia (ASCA)" and asked IACTA to be a part of this. Next EC will discuss and take decision.

- n. **Rules of paper presentation during TEE workshop:** The rules and regulations prepared by the "Publication Committee IACTA", were presented by Chief Editor, IACTA Echo Library for approval of GBM. The house approved them with single voice.
 - o. **Selection procedure for Chief Editor, IACTA Echo Library:** Secretary proposed that the procedure for selection of Chief Editor, IACTA Echo Library should be on the same framework as that of Chief Editor, ACA and he also proposed that the tenure of ACA editor should be for 4 yrs. House approved both with single voice.
 - p. **Honorary fellowship FIACTA and FTEE:** Secretary presented the guidelines for honorary FTEE and FIACTA as prepared by ICCA and house approved them.
9. **Future IACTA annual conference:** 2023 conference would be in Jodhpur and 2024 conference would be in Nagpur. For 2025 conference, applications will be invited and presented in next GBM.
10. **IACTA Treasurer's report: Dr. Sandeep Mutha:** Treasurer presented the IT returns, financial reports, resolutions and other issues related to finances of IACTA as follows:
- a. **The financial report of 2020-21:** IT return for financial year 2020-21 (year ending 31.03.2021): The balance sheet, profit/loss account, liability/asset and the audited report were displayed and read out in details. The successful filling of IT return of financial yr. 20-21 were shown and explained by treasurer. Dr. Mukul Kapoor proposed, and Dr. Prasanna seconded, and house approved the IT returns of financial year 20-21.
 - b. **Statement of accounts from 01.04.2020 to 23.03.2021:** The statement of accounts from 01.04.2022 to 23.03.2022 were presented to the house. All the income and expenditures were displayed and readout. All the FD's in SBI, Pune and HDFC bank were displayed on screen. Balance sheet, income/expenditure statement were shown on the screen. House approved this statement of accounts.
 - c. **Electronic cheque generator and approver:** GBM approved that there will be only one generator i.e., secretary and one approver i.e., Treasurer of the e-cheques.
A resolution was passed to change the names of signatories in bank from previous to new secretary and treasurer.
 - d. **IACTACON2021 (virtual):** As the 2021 IACTACON was conducted by IACTA EC office bearers, Dr. Sandeep Mutha, as treasurer of IACTACON-2021, presented the budget of the conference for approval. The income and expenditure statement and final balance sheet was displayed on the screen. There was total income of Rs.8,00,000/- (all by industry participation) and expenditure of Rs. 1,96,079/-, thus a surplus of income over expenditure of Rs.6,03,921/-. House appreciated the central IACTA EC, and ICCA and the budget was passed.
 - e. **Change of address of IACTA at Delhi:** As our IACTA is registered at Delhi, we need to have an address in Delhi. Dr. Mukul Kapoor agreed to give his residence premises for use of IACTA office on an honorary basis. Dr. Sandeep presented the resolution and house approved the resolution as below:
"As per requirement of having an address at Delhi, a permanent address has been looked on honorary basis. We requested Mrs. Anjali Kapoor to do this honorary help to IACTA which she has been kind enough. IACTA authorizes the secretary and treasurer to make a rent agreement (honorary) between IACTA and Mrs. Anjali Kapoor. This would be the permanent address of IACTA with IT department and RoC. The same may be informed to banks and other institutions wherever is necessary. The office at Cochin will be the branch

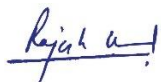
office of IACTA and will be hosting all the records and will be managed by our office clerk Mr. Manoj KM. Other office (presently honorary at Ludhiana) will be used for day-to-day work as registrar's office and will be on rotation and change from time to time. This will be managed by our office clerk Mr. Satinder Pal Singh."

- f. Form 10-A for IACTA: Treasurer informed that our filling of application for form 10-A at IT department has been successful yesterday and we shall be getting the form very shortly. The house appreciated the work of our CA Mr. Ashish Gupta along with Dr. Sandeep and Dr. Rajesh.
- g. Salary of office clerks: Dr. Sandeep proposed to increase the salary of our office clerks from present Rs.12000/- to Rs.15000/- per month. House approved it unanimously.
- 11. Annals of Cardiac Anaesthesia: Chief Editor's report:** Dr. Prabhat Tewari informed the successful release of four issues of 2021-22. He informed that the print issue of ACA is given only to those who have paid since Jan. 2022. He thanked all office bearers of IACTA for a successful editor's experience.
- 12. IACTA Echo Library (IEL):** Dr. Kumar C presented the report on progress on IACTA Echo Library (IEL). He thanked Dr. Rajesh Arya and Dr. Tempe for constant support to IEL. He presented the statistics of viewership of IEL. He informed that the number of members at IEL are around 4000. He informed that he has taken Dr. Kaushik as another associate editor which is approved by the editorial board. He informed that with constant efforts of Dr. Rajesh Arya, IEL is recognized by Brazilian Society of anaesthesia and our link would be there on their website. As a reciprocation, we would have their association president and chairman of cardiac anaesthesia committee as members of the editorial board. House approved this
- 13. Report of Registrar, ICCA: Dr. Thomas Koshy** informed about the activities of ICCA in past one year. Recertification process for FIACTA and FTEE will be started by the new office bearers. FTEE exam 2021 was conducted successfully, and the result posted on website. Dr. Thomas presented the new format of FTEE exam as prepared and submitted by Dr. Rajesh Arya. The format was shown on screen and put on website. The house approved the new format and the 2022 FTEE exam will be conducted on the new format. Secretary informed that the proposals from last GBM regarding starting new fellowships are given to ICCA to formulate the guidelines for that.
- 14. Report of the regional branch coordinator:** Dr. Harish Babu presented his report. As per the scoring system the "FCA, Bangalore" got the highest points and is recommended that best branch for 2021 is "Forum of Cardiac Anaesthesia, Bangalore". Bothe the winners (2020 and 2021) were presented the trophy and the certificates.
- 15. IACTA Logo:** A suggestion came that we should change our IACTA LOGO, mainly making it colorful and incorporating echo in it. Dr. Mukul Kapoor, who made the present logo of IACTA, was given the responsibility to make the new logo and present to EC and next GBM.
- 16. Election result:** Dr. Dheeraj announced the result. Dr. B Srinivasulu Reddy and Dr. Shyam Sunder Ayya were declared elected from central zone. House approved the result. The house approved the result of the voting.
- 17. Janak Mehta award session result:** The judges were Dr. Suresh Rao KG, Dr. Manikandan and Dr. Prabhat Tewari (coordinator of the session). Dr. Sujitha Reddy was declared the winner. The prize money of Rs. 10,000/-, given by Dr. Yatin Mehta, was presented to her by IACTA president.
- 18. IACTACON-2023:** Dr. Manoj Kamal presented the dates and schedule of the IACTACON 2023. He showed the registration form, accommodation facilities and invited all the members to register and encourage juniors to register at the earliest.
- 19. Issues outside the agenda of GBM:**

- a. Dr. PK Neema: Upper age limit of travelling fellowship and Janak Mehta presenter may be increased from present 35 yrs. to 40 yrs. All agreed in principal and asked the secretary to deliberate on this issue and present the decision of EC in next meeting.
 - b. To start an award for excellent teacher: Dr. Sandeep and Dr. Anil Sant requested to start one award as “Best Teacher of Guru or Teacher par-excellence” The concept was welcomed, and the Secretary IACTA was asked to discuss and come with the decision of EC along with protocol and procedure for this in next GBM.
 - c. **Registry of cardiac anaesthesia:** One member suggested that we should have a proper registry of cardiac anaesthesia services in country. Others suggested that this attempt was done many times but could not succeed due to various logistic issues. Still the house appreciated the concept and asked to bring a concrete proposal by the member who proposed this.
- 20. Felicitation of office clerks:** Dr. Sandeep and Dr. Rajesh thanked office clerks Mr. Manoj and Mr. Satinder and presented them a small token of love as appreciation of their commitment to IACTA.
- 21. Concluding speech by outgoing president:** Dr. Neema thanked everyone who are part of EC and ICCA and welcomed the new president Dr. Suresh Rao and wished him good luck.
- 22. Handover of charge:** The outgoing president along with other outgoing members handed over the charge to newly elected President and office bearers. The secretary and treasurer handed over all the documents and assets to new secretary and treasurer as office records. The IACTA stamps were handed over to new office bearers. With a request to make new letterhead. The secretary and treasurer official email password was given to new secretary and treasurer.
- 23. Speech by new IACTA President:** Dr. Suresh Rao KG thanked all for supporting him to reach the highest position in IACTA. He thanked outgoing president Dr. Neema for excellent work done. He thanked Dr. Sandeep, Dr. Rajesh, Dr. Deepak Tempe, Dr. Thomas Koshy, Dr. Suresh Nair and all members of IACTA EC and ICCA board for excellent work done during last few years. He informed that there would be an executive committee meeting tomorrow morning at 11:00 am. He thanked Dr. S Kumar for excellent work and conduct of IACTACON 2022.

As there was no further agenda of the meeting and no questions/quarries from the audience, President Dr. Suresh Rao closed the meeting till we meet next.

All stood in respect and recited the **National Anthem** as it was played along with.



(Dr. Rajesh Arya)
Secretary, IACTA

- The minutes have been prepared based on AV recordings and as the proceedings happened in the meeting. These are brief minutes for IACTA website and a detailed version of the same is available with IACTA office. These minutes would be put for approval in next General Body meeting as part of the agenda of the next GBM.