# TANTEX Executive Committee Meeting Minutes - AUGUST 2012

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<td>Meeting Chair</td>
<td>Geeta Dammanna, President of TANTEX</td>
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<td>Facilitator</td>
<td>Narasimha Reddy Urimindi, Secretary of TANTEX</td>
<td>Time</td>
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<td>Location</td>
<td>ERP Logic (Granite Plaza) 7301 N. State Highway 161, #Suite 150, Irving, Texas 75039</td>
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## Attendees

1. Ananth Mallavarapu
2. Rajeswari Jujaray (Excused)
3. Balki Chamkura
4. Sirisha Baviredddy (Excused)
5. Chinasatyam Veernapu
6. Subramanyam Jonnalagadda
7. Geeta Dammanna
8. Subhash Nelakanti (Excused)
9. Indu Reddy Mandadi
10. Subhashini Pentakota (Excused)
11. Jyothi Vanam
12. Suresh Manduva
13. Krishnaveni Seelam (Excused)
14. Vijay Mohan Kakarla
15. Krishna Reddy Uppalapati
16. Rajesh Chilukuri
17. Mahesh Aditya Adibhatla
18. Poorna Chandra Rao Vemulapalli
19. Narasimha Reddy Urimindi
20. Raghu Chittimalla
21. NMS Reddy
22. Murthy Mulukutla
## Key Points Discussed

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| 1   | Previous EC meeting minutes: Review & Approval            | The President called the meeting to order @12:22 PM but waited for 10 minutes for lack of quorum. Vijay Mohan Kakarla proposed and Chinasatyam Veernapu seconded the July 09, 2012 meeting minutes with the following changes:  
* Indu Reddy Mandadi provided details of the Emergency General Body Meeting expenses                                                   |
| 2   | Membership Approval                                       | * Chinasatyam Veernapu provided the roster of 166 new life members who joined TANTEX for Governing Board's approval.  
* Geeta Dammanna conveyed to the team that a small committee consisting of the President, President Elect, BOT Chair, Membership & Registration Chair and Treasurer will be working together to verify the newly joined life members by 8/12. Similar committee was formed to verify the life members in 2011 in view of the large number of applications received in July-2011. |
| 3   | Review of the 5th Anniversary of "Nela Nela Telugu Vennela" Program | Ananth Mallavarapu reviewed the member feedback to the recently concluded 5th Anniversary of the "Nela Nela Telugu Vennela" program. Following is the summary of the feedback received from the members-at-Large  
* Nadia's dance program, Ashtavadhaanam, Panchakaavyam, Ratnakumar Ghantasala's program received good ratings overall.  
* Adequate stage time was not provided to external artists  
* Need to improve time management of the program  
EC member feedback and observations about the event in general are summarized below.  
* Getting auditorium has been a challenge and we were lucky to get Trinity High School since we have booked early  
* Confirmation of the artist until the last minute was an issue. For example, Mr. Darmavarapu Subramanyam was a confirmed guest but he couldn't make it in the last minute.  
* Need to have the list of auditoriums based on the need. Subbu Jonnalagadda volunteered to compile the list of venues.  
* Time management is one of the chronic issues and certainly requires a serious look  
* Need to bring all the committee members to supplement the necessary volunteers.  
* Cultural Chair will own the banner delivery and installation  
* Some of the Governing Board members pledged $116 in support of the "Nela Nela Telugu Vennela" program  
* Subbu Jonnalagadda to follow up with others pledges  
* EC team discussed whether to allow politicians on stage. Governing Board be given 24 hours notice and the potential speaker cannot talk outside the cultural event. Recognize the visiting political guests
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<td>from the gallery itself as opposed to providing valuable stage time.</td>
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<td>EC Team discussed about improving attendance in future TANTEX programs by taking an active role to sell the tickets and by bringing quality artists and/or appropriately adjusting the program time</td>
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| 4   | Treasurer’s Report   | Krishna Reddy Uppalapati provided financial update related to various TANTEX events  
- P&L statement for the Teluguki parugu to be completed by 8/12  
- Suresh Manduva to close the finances with Manabadi as soon as possible  
Balki Chamkura informed the team that the net proceeds from the recent outdoor volleyball tournament is $34 and requested more EC participation to serve as volunteers.  
- Team agreed that for future sports events food need to be handled by an outside vendor  
TANTEX is not planning to have a booth at the IANT Anand Bazar-2012 due to unavailability of volunteers.  
Geeta Dammanna informed that as per the CPA, TANTEX 2010 TAX Return requires an amendment to cash basis as opposed to accrual basis.  
- Incomplete quick book entries related to the Silver Jubilee event was the key issue being addressed per the CPA  
Treasurer to send invoices to TANTEX sponsors to collect dues from 2011 as well as 2012. In addition, the following individuals will take the lead to work with the respective sponsors:  
  - Horizon Travel ----> Geeta Dammanna  
  - Pasand  -------------- > Suresh Manduva  
  - Unicon Travels------> Suresh Manduva  
  - Lawson Travels------> Balki Chamkura  
  - Perfect Tax---------> Vijay Mohan Kakarla  
- Received $2000 from Nokia as a part of the matching gift |
| 5   | Upcoming Events      | Suresh Manduva went over the Carnival event scheduled for 8/26. Lewisville Grand Theater located at I-35 and Main Street is the confirmed venue  
- Blackbox theater at the venue can accommodate about 150 people plus have two classrooms  
- Debate competitions by the Spoorthi team, Fancy dress, Spelling bee, "Modern Mahalakshmi", Rangoli, and Paintings competitions by the Vanitaa Vedika team, Carroms, Chess competitions by the Youth & Sports team, and Anthyaakshari by Ganasudha team are being planned.  
- $750 is the estimated cost of the venue and around $600 for the food with an estimated approved total budget of $1350.  
- Admission $5 per person kids under 5 years is Free  
- Murthy Mulukutla informed the team that he is looking forward to review the standard operating procedures (SOP) at the next EC meeting  
- Subramanyam Jonnalagadda informed everyone about "Nela Nela
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<td>Telugu Vennela’s 61st Session where Dr. Akkiraju Sundara Ramakrishna and Dr. Narala Ramareddy are the confirmed guests.</td>
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<td>• Jyothi Vanam discussed the possibility of a guided tour of the DFW Metroplex for the visiting parents and Senior citizens</td>
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<td>• Geeta Dammanna has chosen Rajesh Chilukuri to be the event coordinator for Deepavali-2012.</td>
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<td>• Need to plan for the upcoming General Body Meeting</td>
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<td>• NRU to prepare a draft message for e-News delivery seeking nominations for the Election Committee-2012.</td>
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<td>Open Items (If time permits and with the approval of President)</td>
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### Action Plan

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<td>Validate the newly joined life members of TANTEX</td>
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<td>Prepare the message requesting nominations for the Election Committee-2012</td>
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