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TANTEX- Annual Meeting of the General Body called for by the Governing Board -2016

Date: Sunday, September 25, 2016
Time: 2:00 PM, (Registration started @12:00 Noon)
Venue: Minerva Banquet Hall (BBQ Nation)
3825 W Spring Creek Pkwy, Suite 206
Plano TX 75023

Meeting Minutes Recorded by: Chinasatyam Veernapu -Secretary

Presiding Officer: Subramanyam Jonnalagadda, President
BoT Chair: Srinivas Reddy Gurram, Chair, Board of Trustees

Attendees: Total of 84 in attendance as per the verification and confirmation from Krishna Reddy Koduru, Chair, Membership & Registration.

Beginning from 2.00 PM, attendees count was obtained from Membership Chair, Krishna Reddy Koduru for every 15 minutes. Since initially quorum requirements were not met to initiate General Body Meeting, it was decided to conduct normal meeting and it was call to order by Subramanyam Jonnalagadda at 2.30 PM.

AGENDA:

1. Welcome by Secretary
2. Review and Approval of previous General Body Meeting Minutes
3. President’s Report
4. Secretary’s Report
5. Treasurer’s Report (un-audited)
6. TANTEX Building Proposal Status Review
7. Open items with the Approval of the Chair
8. Vote of Thanks by BoT Chair

Welcome by Secretary: Chinasatyam Veernapu, Secretary extended a warm welcome to the members and informed that the normal meeting would be conducted as per agenda circulated except for the agenda point 2, as required quorum was not present. Secretary then welcomed President to chair and preside over the meeting.
Treasurer Report:
Venkat R Danda, Treasurer provided an update on various types of TANTEX accounts and the specific process followed for transactions related to revenue and expenses. Further explanation was provided details about various programs undertaken by TANTEX during 2016 and the financial transactions related to them. Treasurer further briefed various types of event expenses that TANTEX incurred throughout the year and also explained about the pending dues to be collected from annual sponsors and indicated that efforts are on to collect the dues. The following are some of the feedback / opinions received from the floor and responses provided.

- A question was raised regarding a temporary loan of 10K that was taken and repaid by TANTEX though TANTEX has funds in savings accounts and whether it is good practice to borrow money. It was clarified that if TANTEX would need to use money from corpus funds, it would need to General Body approval to use funds from Savings account for any purpose. Further it was clarified that while executing major events involving large revenues / expenses, the above one time activity was carried out to address some immediate cash flow needs.

- It was also suggested from the floor to include miscellaneous details/expenses such as Constant contact, Go daddy, Quick books, PayPal fees etc. in GB treasurer report by TANTEX for more clarity.

TANTEX Building Proposal Status Review:
Krishnaveni Seelam, Vice President presented TANTEX Building feasibility study highlighting pros and cons with examples to GB members and opened the floor to GB members to give their opinion either to go for purchasing Building or not. The proposal was discussed in detail and opinions were expressed by number of life members present and are summarized below:

- Non-support for use of funds around 200K from Savings account for TANTEX building as it is kept as emergency / corpus fund.
- Lukewarm response from the member public for the TANTEX building proposal
- Per Robert’s law, once any committee submits the report, the committee has served the purpose and would have to be abolished.

Secretary Report:
Chinasatyam Veernapu, Secretary went through the various activities undertaken by TANTEX in 2016.

- **Membership(Life) status:** TANTEX currently has 1214 life members of which 1214 are eligible to vote. The last member joined after the cut-off date of July 31st, 2016 and is subject to membership verification.

- **Annual Members:** There are 65 annual members joined in the year of 2016.

- **e-News metrics:** Went through the metrics of total emails of life members vs. percentage of members opening the emails.

- **Key Activities:** For the benefit of the life members, the secretary went through the programs undertaken by TANTEX.

- **Community Outreach programs:** Health Seminars, Real-Estate Seminars, Entrepreneur Seminars, Legal Seminars, Scholarship programs, Back pack programs were some of the examples used during presentation.

- **Supported programs:** Supported programs with various Non-Profit organizations, national, local in the fields of cultural, social and community related.
President Report:
President Subramanyam Jonnalagadda, presented all the major & supported activities conducted under TANTEX umbrella in 2016. It was also informed that during 2016 TANTEX has been diligently utilizing the funds with focus on local Telugu members’ necessities and by encouraging Cultural programs by involving local members/artists in lieu of external artists.

- **2016 TANTEX: Major Events conducted**
  - Sankraanthi Sambaralu
  - Ugaadi Utsavaalu
  - Youth & Sports: Table Tennis, Volley Ball, Badminton Tournaments
  - Telugu Sahitya Vedika – Nela Nela Telugu Vennela
  - Maitri: Father’s Day, Caroms tournament for Senior Citizens

- **2016 TANTEX: Upcoming Events**
  - Swaramanjari
  - Nela Nela Telugu Vennela Monthly Events
  - Deepavali Vedukalu together with Annual Banquet, Muthyotsavam (30th Anniversary), Annual Sports Day events.

- **2016 TANTEX: Supported Programs with National Telugu Organizations**
  - CPR Awareness Event with TANA
  - NATA Convention – Co-Host
  - Mother’s Day Event with T.A.T.A
  - Global Telangana Convention (TDF)
  - Backpack Program in Association with TANA
  - Health awareness Event with NATS
  - ManaBadi - Telugu Maatlaata National Championships
  - Tanikella Bharani Event with TANA

- **2016 TANTEX: Other Supported Programs**
  - Health Fair by TIPS
  - Ghantasala Aradhanotsavalu with Vegesna Foundation
  - Ekal Vidyalaya Annual Event
  - Teluguku Parugu with ManaBadi & Vidyadaanam
  - TEA – Pitch your Business Idea Event
  - “Bathukamma & Dasara Sambaralu” - TPAD, DATA

A revised life member count was taken at 4.17 PM. It was then determined that the count stands at 84, which allows 2015 GB Meeting Minutes be presented on floor.

**Review and Approval of 2015 Meeting Minutes:**
- Ramakrishna Nune proposed the 2015 GB meeting minutes be approved. Rama Krishna Reddy Rodda seconded the proposal. The meeting minutes were then approved unanimously.
Key ACTION ITEMS:

- **Motion Proposal on TANTEX Building feasibility study:**
  - K.C Chekuri Proposed motion: “The feasibility study committee on the proposal for TANTEX building stands abolished as on date”.  
    Motion passed: unanimously.

- **Motion proposal for amendment on GB quorum reduction from 75 to 50**
  - KC Chekuri proposed the following motion:
    “It is hereby proposed to amend 2009 Quorum requirement of 75 to 2008 Original quorum requirement of 50. It is hereby proposed to amend Article XVIII – Quorum (a)”

    Section -1 – General Body (GB).
    1.1 “The Quorum for General Body Meeting shall be lesser of 50 voting members in good standing or one-fifth of the total number of voting members in good standing.”

  - The above motion was discussed in detail and feedback / opinions were expressed by members present and are summarized below:
    - Some of the members have expressed their opinion against the proposal to change quorum to 50.
    - Due to mixed opinions and feedback on the motion and after a detailed discussion, a decision was made to go for voting.

  **Teller’s Report and Announcement of the Voting Result:**

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  Result: Motion Passed

**Vote of Thanks:**

- Srinivas Reddy Gurram, Board of Trustee Chair thanked the life members, the governing board members for the countless number of hours put in for the General Body meeting preparation, the Minerva Banquet Hall for providing the venue, tea, snacks and Lunch for the meeting.

**Adjournment:**
The President adjourned the meeting at 5:30 PM.