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## TANTEX- Annual Meeting of the General Body called for by the Governing Board -2017

**Date:** Sunday, October 15 2017

**Time:** 2 PM to 5 PM

**Venue:** Basera Indian Cuisine

8232 Preston Rd #125, Plano, TX 75024

**Meeting Minutes Recorded by :** Chandra Kaja, -Secretary

**Presiding Officer:** Krishna Reddy Uppalapati , President

**BoT Chair:** Rama Krishna R Rodda, Chair, Board of Trustees

Attendees: Total of 51 in attendance as per the verification and confirmation from Treasurer

Beginning from 2 PM, attendees count was obtained from Membership Chair, for every 30 minutes. Since quorum requirements were not met to initiate General Body Meeting, it was decided to conduct normal meeting and it was call to order by Krishna Reddy Uppalapati at 2.15 PM.

### AGENDA:

- 1.Welcome by Secretary
- 2.Review of 2016 meeting minutes and approval
- 3.Review of proposed 2017 amendments and approval
4. President's Report
5. TANTEX Building proposal
6. Secretary's Report
7. Treasurer's Report (un-audited)
8. Vote of Thanks by BoT Chair
9. Open items with the Approval of the Chair

Welcome by Secretary: Chandra Kaja, 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 points 2 and 3, as required quorum was not present. Secretary then welcomed President to chair and preside over the meeting.



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**President Report:** Krishna Reddy Uppalapati shared the 2017 TANTEX accomplishments with the members present.

He assured during 2017 TANTEX had 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.

In 2017, TANTEX has been focused on organization goals, empowering community in various ways such as health, sports, literature, cultural activities, youth enrichment activities.

Below is a brief note on the accomplishments for the year:

- ◆ Hosted an event for all the national and local non-profit Telugu organizations on a single platform which highlighted Tantex's importance in DFW area and helped bring Tantex closer to these national organizations.
- ◆ Celebrated our signature events including "Sankranth Sambaralu", "Ugadi Utsavaalu" and "Deepavali Vedukalu".
- ◆ Conducted one-of-a-kind Special Event "Telugu Vaibhavam" in Dallas on the occasion of 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Tantex that attracted a large audience.
- ◆ Conducted the 10th Texas Sahitya Sadassu Anniversary and 120th NNTV with literary stalwarts.
- ◆ Initiated several cost cutting measures and encouraged local talent.
- ◆ Improved financial stability of the organization with upfront fundraising for most of the events.
- ◆ Focused on Organization reputation and sustainability in the long run.
- ◆ Changed media partner to FunAsia AM which had lion's share of Indian community radio audience to reach more listeners.



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**Treasurer Report:** Ajay Govada, Treasurer and Sreelu Mandiga, Joint Treasurer provided an update on various types of TANTEX accounts and the specific process followed for transactions of revenue and expenses. They further explained the various programs undertaken by TANTEX during 2017 and the financial transactions related to them. Treasurer further briefed various types of event expenses that TANTEX incurred throughout the year.

**Secretary report:** Chandra Sekhar Kaja, Secretary and Krishna Reddy Koduru, Joint Secretary went through the various activities undertaken by TANTEX in 2017.

- **Membership status:** TANTEX currently has 1310 life members of which 91 joined in 2017.
- **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 signature and innovative programs undertaken by TANTEX.
- **Community Outreach programs:** Health Seminars, Real-Estate Seminars, Entrepreneur Seminars, Legal Seminars, Scholarship programs, Backpack program
- **Supported programs:** Supported programs held by various Non-Profit organizations, national, local in the fields of cultural, social and community related.



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With the permission of Chair, the floor was open to receive the questions from members at large. Here is the summary of questions received / opinions expressed.

- Shyama Rumalla, Board of Trustee wanted to know current financial status of the organization and Joint Treasurer, Sreelu has been presented balance sheet as requested.
- MVL Prasad, member at large would like to know if there any profit from 2017 events. President, Krishna reddy Uppalapati has clarified and present net profit of 2017 events towards TANTEX.
- Vijay Mohan Kakarla, Past-President and Ratna Venigandla, member at large suggested to move Life Members amount for good returns

### Review of 2016 meeting minutes and approval

At 2:56PM, 2016 GB Minutes were presented to the attendees for review and approval and were approved. Satish Bandaru proposed the 2016 GB meeting be approved. Avinash Velampati seconded the proposal. The meeting minutes were then approved unanimously.

### President Proposal:

Krishna Reddy Uppalapati, Chair then presented the "2017 Proposed Amendments to TANTEX Constitution & Bylaws 2009" to the members present. Members have been handed over printed copies of the proposed amendments for their review. Subsequently the discussion began.

- Proposals 1 to 6: Approved unanimously by the GB (Yes: 51, No: 0, Abstained: 0)
- Proposal 7: It has been reworded and then vote was taken. Approved. (Yes:50, No:1, Abstained:0)
- Proposals 8,9,11,12,13: Approved (Yes: 50, No:1, Abstained:0)
- Proposal 10: GB discussed and not taken up. Recommended to be kept in "Pending" status.at this time.

### Vote of Thanks:

Board of Trustee Chair Ramakrishna R Rodda thanked the life members, the governing board members for the countless number of hours put in for the General Body meeting preparation and also Basera providing the venue, tea and snacks for the meeting, media.

### Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 4:31 PM.

