



NAPA

Association of Nepalese Agricultural Professionals of Americas

(Minutes – 2nd EC Meeting)
Sunday, July 19, 2020; 7:30 CST

Executive Committee

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Dr. Sushil Thapa

Dr. Uma Karki

Attendance

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| Executive Committee | Megha N. Parajulee, Pradeep Wagle, Ramjee Ghimire, Dev Paudel, Santosh Dhakal, Aditya Khanal, Gita Koirala Bhandari, Nityananda Khanal, Shyam Kandel, Sushil Thapa |
| Informed in absentia | |
| Uninformed in absentia | |
| Invitee (s) | Lila Karki, Drona Rasali, Prem Bhandari |

1. Welcome and housekeeping notes

General Secretary hosted and began the meeting and welcomed participants.

2. Discussion on book promotion:

President welcomed Editor-in-Chief Dr. Drona Rasali, Co-Editor-in-Chief Dr. Prem Bhandari, and the Immediate Past President Dr. Lila Karki, and congratulated the entire team involved in book project for publishing the “Principles and Practices of Food Security” book. All three guests gave their remarks about book distribution and pricing.

The EC approved following distribution and pricing policy for its recently published “Principles and Practices of Food Security” book.

I. Distribution Policy

A. Free Copy (donations are welcome)

1. NAPA Present and Immediate Past Presidents
2. Editorial Board
3. Lead Author of each Chapter including Preface/Foreword writer (Except Chapter 1)
4. Co-authors of each chapter and Chapter reviewer (free PDF personal copy for the chapter they wrote or reviewed only, not for redistribution)
5. Writers of testimony (free PDF personal copy of the entire book, not for distribution)

B. Full Priced Copy

1. All others



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II. Pricing Policy

A. In Nepal

1. Price for students (NRs 500)
2. NAPA Associate members (NRs 1000)
3. Open market price for individuals in Nepal (NRs 2000)
4. Institutions/organizations - Institutions/organizations - libraries, universities, colleges, NGOs/INGOs, private industries, governmental agencies (NRs 3000). For more than 5 copies of purchase (NRs 2500 each).

B. Outside Nepal (Shipping not included)

1. NAPA student members (US\$ 10)
2. Any other categories of NAPA members (US\$ \$20)
3. Open market price for individuals & institutions (US\$ 40). For more than 5 copies of purchase (US\$ 35 each)

C. Online (hard cover and soft copy) Book Purchase (TBD)

3. **Updates on the activities/accomplishments**

Committee Coordinators/Lead/Advisor provided updates on their respective committees.

Student Coordination Committee: SCC held its second meeting on July 18. The meeting came up with four broad areas related to professional growth and development of students as well as legal counseling and visa status.

Women in Agriculture and Allied Professionals: This committee is yet to finalize its members.

Membership Drive Committee: Two life members and four student members have joined NAPA under new EC. Efforts to recruit more members are ongoing. Membership Drive Chair Dr. Pradeep Wagle requested each EC member to recruit one member each month if possible and one in two months otherwise.

Agri-Connection: Editorial team has been compiling submissions for Agri Connection. Its next issue is expected to be released by the end of July.

Resource and Capacity Building Committee: NAPA RCBC successfully hosted a research mini-grant review conference. Participants appreciated the recently concluded conference. Efforts



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to compile presentations, research reports and publish in the form a proceeding are ongoing.

Webinar Committee: Next webinar session is scheduled on July 26th, 2020 with Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development (MOALD) Nepal Secretary Mr. Rajendra Bhari as the Speaker.

Advisory Council: Dr. Krishna P. Sharma and Dr. Upendra M. Sainju have been rotated off from the Advisory Council.

IT Committee: Listserv emails have been created and used for all NAPA members and NAPA EC members. Updating NAPA website is on progress.

4. Nomination of EC Committee Member, Advisory Council Members, and Committee Coordinators/Chairs

EC unanimously endorsed the following nominations.

- **Vacant EC Member:** Dr. Uma Karki
- **Advisory Council:** Dr. Lila B. Karki, Dr. Drona Rasali, Dr. Peetambar Dahal
- **Agri-Connection:** Dr. Sushil Thapa (Chair), Dr. Prakriti Bista
- **Webinar Committee:** Dr. Khusi Ram Tiwari (Chair), Dr. Dilip Panthee
- **Distance Teaching:** Dr. Prem Bhandari (Chair), Dr. Ananta Acharya (Co-chair)
- **Resource and Capacity Building Committee:** Dr. Nitya Khanal (Chair), Dr. Manoj Karkee, Dr. Aditya Khanal, Dr. Bharat Man Shrestha, Dr. Buddhi Gyawali, Dr. Rajan Ghimire, Dr. Sonisa Sharma, Dr. Pramod Pokharel, Dr. Sharad Marahatta
- **Research and Policy Brief:** Dr. Bed Khatiwada, Dr. Shanta Karki, Dr. Bhim Chaulagain
- **Book Distribution & Marketing:** Dr. Shyam Kandel

5. Financial updates: Treasurer

Treasurer informed that as of July 19, NAPA has a total of \$29,576.90 in its account.

6. Other

Vice President informed the committee that NAPA would be holding its postponed second biennial conference virtually in September. The Conference Organizing Committee is working on it. Vice President thanked everybody and adjourned the meeting.