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## Executive Committee

### President

Dr. Lila B. Karki

### Vice President

Dr. Megha N. Parajulee

### General Secretary

Dr. Prem Bhandari

### Joint Secretary

Dr. Pradeep Wagle

### Treasurer

Ms. Ambika Tiwari

### Members

Dr. Durga D. Poudel  
Dr. Dilip Panthi  
Dr. Lekh Nath Paudel  
Dr. Raju Pandey  
Dr. Ramesh C Khanal  
Mr. Surendra Osti

## NAPA Executive Committee (Minutes – 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting) Saturday, March 17, 2018 (9:00-10:00pm ET)

### Attendance

<b>Executive Committee</b>	Ambika Tiwari, Durga D. Poudel, Lila B. Karki, Megha N. Parajulee, Pradeep Wagle, Prem Bhandari
<b>Informed in absentia</b>	Lekh Nath Paudel, Surendra Osti
<b>Uninformed in absentia</b>	Dilip Panthi, Raju Pandey, Ramesh C. Khanal

### Agenda/Discussion and Decisions:

#### 1. House Keeping: Prem Bhandari

- Briefly reviewed the progress on book publication. The book project committee has made very good progress. Review process of the chapters is under way. There are 23 chapters in the book.
- Conference Proceedings Committee has compiled all the abstracts and making necessary arrangements for printing.
- By-laws: Some issues suggested by NAPA By-laws Review Committee will be presented at the AGM.

#### 2. Updates from the President: Lila B. Karki

- Thanked all NAPA members for working hard to bring NAPA at this level. NAPA has 242 members now.
- Also highlighted some achievements: Agri-connection, NAPA talk sessions, Biennial conference, submissions of the conference, Book publication, NAPA Journal 'GJAAS', NAPA scholarships (~\$2500 collected), NAPA Endowment, Research and Policy Brief, etc.
- Presented the formation of Election Commission for the next term of Executive Committee.

#### 3. Updates: Fund Raising for the Conference: Megha N. Parajulee

- As a Chair, of the Conference fund raising committee, he briefly updated the fund raising situation of the conference.
- Revisited the need of funds to award best paper/poster awards and to financially support to needy paper and poster presenters.
- Requested all EC members to donate for the conference and share the words in everybody's network.
- Sponsorship appeals will be shared with all as soon as possible.
- Election Commission.** Presented the progress of the formation of the Election Commission for the election of Executive Officers for next term of the Executive Committee (2018-2020). Proposed Dr. Nanda P. Joshi, NAPA Adviser as the Chief of the Election Commission and also shared that he has graciously accepted the request to be the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC). The proposal was agreed unanimously.
- By consultation with the CEC, President, Vice President, and the General Secretary identified Dr. Ram Acharya from New Mexico and Dr. Buddhi Lamsal from Iowa as the Commissioners of the Election Commission on 03/20/2018.

#### 4. Updates: Oklahoma Conference (OKC) 2018: Pradeep Wagle

- A total of 93 abstract submissions (papers and posters) from nine countries.
- Out of 93, 24 are poster submissions.
- 17 participants for student writing contest.
- Contact/lead persons have been identified from local committee members for several activities such as sports, cultural, door prizes, and logistics.

#### 5. Updates: Financial and Membership Status: Ambika Tiwari

- Provided updates on membership status.

Membership updates since last EC meeting

Member Type	Last Reported on January 4, 2018	Total Number as of March 16, 2018	Member Added since Last Meeting Date
Life	5	5	0
Regular	93	93	0
Joint	15	15	0
Student	97	97	0
Associate	24	32	8
Honorary	0	0	0
<b>Total Member</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>8</b>

- Updated NAPA financial status.

NAPA Balance Sheet Summary		
(As of March 16, 2018)		
Items	Amount (US\$)	Remarks
<b>A. INCOME</b>		
<b>A1. Membership Fee Total</b>	\$11,344.32	
<b>A2. Donation Collected</b>		
A2.1. General Donations	\$7,988.74	
A2.2. Endowment Fund Total	\$400.00	4 Participants
A2.3. Scholarship Fund Total	\$2,460.00	32 Scholarships
<b>Total A</b>	<b>\$22,193.06</b>	
<b>B. EXPENSES</b>		
<b>B1. General Expenses Total</b>	\$8,112.07	
<b>B2. Paypal Fee Total</b>	\$485.78	
<b>Total B</b>	<b>\$8,597.85</b>	
<b>Total Balance</b>	<b>\$13,595.21</b>	

#### 6. Any Other Business

- Durga P. Poudel, EC member, thanked everybody for working that hard for NAPA's amazing progress within two years of its establishment.
- He shared his willingness to donate to NAPA conference consulting the treasurer
- He also expressed his interest to present a paper on 'Nepal Vision 2040' at OK Conference.

#### 7. Closing Remarks

- Vice President Parajulee adjourned the meeting.

**Next EC Meeting:**  
**Possibly one meeting for the conference update prior to AGM if needed**

**NAPA Conference at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**  
**(May 26-27, 2018)**

#### Note:

- We value and respect each other's time. As a professional organization, we will act professionally - **start promptly and wrap-up on time.**
- General Secretary (and Joint Secretary) will take notes and keep us posted about upcoming plans/events/and more.
- If we cannot finish discussion on our proposed agenda, the remaining agenda will be discussed in our next meeting (or specified by the EC).
- To be as efficient, effective, and participatory as possible, we'll try not to repeat the previous speaker (for the same agenda) (unless the President desire to do so). Express your thoughts precisely and respect each other's ideas.

Thank you!