

Minutes of the AGM of the Society for Polymer Science, India

Date: December 15, 2010 at 5.00 pm (1700hrs),

Venue: I.I.T. Delhi, New Delhi

Present on the Dias: Dr. S.Sivaram, Dr. R.P.Singh, Dr. B.B.Idage and Prof. Veena Choudhary

Agenda: General Body Meeting

- The AGM of the Society for Polymer Science, India was held at New Delhi on December 15, 2010.
- The names of the members present at last AGM are given in Annexure - A. Ninety two members attended the meeting
- The Honorary Secretary gave a brief overview of the activities of the Society. A copy of the report is enclosed.
- The **President** of the Society in his address stated the need to strengthen the Society by adding more Life Members and initiating new activities at the chapter level.

The following business was transacted:

- i) The General Body ratified the minutes of the AGM held at I.I.T, Madras on March 10, 2009.
- ii) The request to form a Regional Chapter at Bhubaneswar - Cuttack, was ratified by the General Body.
- iii) The re-structuring of Kanpur – Lucknow Chapter was ratified by the General Body.
- iv) General Body ratified the Accounts of the Society for the year ending March 31, 2010. The statement of accounts for the the SPS (India) duly certified is attached herewith.
- v) The offer of the SPS Bangalore Local Chapter to host the next meeting of the Society was accepted.
- vi) The names of New office bearers (2009-2012) of SPSI were announced and ratified
- vii) The website : www.spsi.co.in was officially launched
- viii) The President informed the members that SPS(I) has been invited to join the 'Federation of Asian Polymer Societies (FAPS)' consisting of the National Polymer Societies of Russia, Thailand , Bangladesh, Indonesia, Malaysia, China, Japan, Korea and India. FAPS holds an International Congress every two years. The first one was held in Nagoya, Japan and 2nd Conference is scheduled to be held in Beijing, China from May 8-11, 2011. We have been requested to host the 3rd FAPS Congress in India in 2013. The president suggested that this meeting be organized by SPS(I) at Bangalore (3rd FAPS Polymer Congress and 13th National Meeting of SPS(I)). The President also hoped that all Scientific Societies representing diverse polymer communities (MRSI, PPS(I) APA) will come together to hold a grand meeting showing the best of Polymer Science that India has offer.

Several suggestions were also made by the General Body to improve the functions of the Society. These are:

- a) A directory of membership should be brought out.
- b) For wider communication 'Newsletter' should be circulated amongst all the members.
- c) A membership drive must be initiated to improve the Corpus of the Society.

d) All the Chapters must submit Audited Account Statements to HQ by May 31, 2011

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

(R.P.Singh)
Honorary Secretary
The Society for Polymer Science, India

To : All SPS (India) Members