

**Association for Computing Machinery (India)  
Extra Ordinary General Meeting – March 26, 2013  
Minutes of the Meeting**

An Extra Ordinary General Meeting of Association for Computing Machinery (India) was held on Tuesday, March 26, 2013 at 5.00 pm at following address:

**Persistent Systems Ltd.  
" Pingala - Aryabhata ",  
12A/12, off Karve Road, Erandwane,  
Pune 411004.**

Members were allowed to join by conference calling facility also.

Dr. P J Narayanan, President ACM India, welcomed the members and announced that since there is no quorum the meeting is adjourned for 30 minutes.

Meeting was called to order after 30 minutes and deliberations were started as per agenda points.

**Agenda point 1:**

To consider and if thought fit to pass with or without modification the following resolution to amend Clause 5 of the Rules & Regulations dealing with Classes of members as set out in the notice of EGM.

The President Mr. P J Narayanan informed the meeting about the proposed changes in clause relating to the Class of Members and need for the same. He highlighted that giving power to Executive Council to amend existing class/es of membership or introduce new class of members, will result in flexibility in the operations of the Organisation. As the General Body retains the right of ratification in this matter, the rights of General body are not reduced or limited in any manner.

RSOLVED THAT the Clause 5 of the Rules & Regulations of the Association be replaced by following new Clause 5 in place of existing one -

**"Clause 5 : CLASSES OF MEMBERS"**

**CLASSES OF MEMBERS**

**a. Professional Members:**

Professional Members must subscribe to the purposes of ACM in India. A Professional Member shall have voting rights and may hold office in the Association.



A professional member shall pay the admission and subscription fees as set by the Executive Council. Such a member will also receive all privileges of the membership class as decided by the Council.

The Decision of the Executive Council regarding alterations in membership fees will be ratified by the General Body in the immediately next meeting held after any such alteration.

**b. Institutional Members:**

Institutional Membership is open to all institutions involved in the field of service, technology and like fields. Each Institutional Member shall pay annual dues and receive such publication as may be determined by an affirmative vote of at least 5, or  $\frac{1}{2}$  of all the members, whichever is less, of the Council. Each institutional member shall nominate one person who will be a member for the duration of this nomination and will have all the rights of a professional member.

An institutional member shall pay the admission and subscription fees as set by the Executive Council. Such a member will also receive all privileges of the membership class as decided by the Council.

The Decision of the Executive Council regarding alterations in membership fees will be ratified by the General Body in the immediately next meeting held after any such alteration.

**c. Student Members:**

To become a student member, an applicant must be registered full time in an accredited four or two year educational institution, High School or any equivalent course.

Student Members shall not have voting rights or the right to hold office in the Society. Each Student Member shall pay annual dues and receive such publication as may be determined by an affirmative vote of at least 5 or  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the members of the Council, whichever is less.

A student member shall pay the admission and subscription fees as set by the Executive Council. Such a member will also receive all privileges of the membership class as decided by the Council.

The Decision of the Executive Council regarding alterations in membership fees will be ratified by the General Body in the immediately next meeting held after any such alteration.



**d. Affiliate Member:**

Each Affiliate Member must subscribe to the purpose of the unit in which they are a member (Special Interest Group, Chapter etc.).

An affiliate member shall pay the admission and subscription fees as set by the Executive Council. Such a member will also receive all privileges of the membership class as decided by the Council.

The Decision of the Executive Council regarding alterations in membership fees will be ratified by the General Body in the immediately next meeting held after any such alteration.

An Affiliate Member is a member of one or more of the Society's chapters or Special Interest Groups (SIG). Each Affiliate Member shall pay annual dues to the Chapter or SIG and receive such publications and privileges as designated by the Chapter or SIG and additional privileges of the Society as maybe determined by an affirmative vote of at least 5 or  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the members of the Council, whichever is less, subject to the concurrence of Council. Affiliate Members shall not have voting rights or the right to hold office in the Society except as specified in the Rules and Regulations. Affiliate Members shall have voting rights in the Chapter or SIG in which they are members as specified in the Rules and Regulations of the Chapter or SIG.

**e. Any Other Class of Member, as determined by the Executive Council**

In addition to class of Members mentioned above, the Executive Council has the authority to add any new class of Membership. The Decision of the Executive Council regarding addition of any other class and/or alterations in membership fees will be ratified by the General Body in the immediately next meeting held after any such alteration.

Such member shall pay the admission and subscription fees as set by the Executive Council for that class of membership. Such a member will also receive all privileges of the membership class as decided by the Council.

**f. Reinstatement**

A former Professional, Institutional, Student or Affiliate Member who was expelled from the Society's membership can become a member again only after approval of application by an affirmative vote of at least 5 or  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the members of Council, whichever is less.

Proposed by: Chandrashekhar Sahasrabudhe  
Seconded by: Mahadevan Mukund

**Agenda point 2:**

To consider and if thought fit to pass with or without modification the following resolution to amend the sub clause (iii) & (iv) of Clause 14 of the Rules & Regulations dealing with term of office of the Council Members as set out in the notice of EGM.

The President Mr. P J Narayanan explained that the council terms will be staggered. Right now, all the elected council members have 2 year terms starting July 1st of every even year. And this has led to a situation where every office bearer retires at the end of the 2 years and potentially all new office bearers may come in. In the light of providing continuity in the officers and the council, main ACM structure we propose that the terms of office bearers be extended to 4 years and half of them will approximately start in 1 even year and other half will start 2 years later such that only half the members will retire every 2 years and the other half further to provide continuity. This change will increase the effectiveness or functionality of ACM as an organization by providing continuity.

Accordingly, RSOLVED THAT the sub clause (iii) & (iv) of Clause 14 of the Rules & Regulations of the Association be replaced by following new sub clause (iii) & (iv) of Clause 14 in place of existing one -

(iii) The term of office of the members of the subsequent Council shall be for a period of 4 years, with about half the members retiring every 2 years. The positions of the retiring members will be filled through elections. The terms of the office bearers will be 2 years.

(iv) The Council members and the office bearers shall be elected by majority of the General Body of the Society in a fair election process immediately to be held prior to the completion of the tenure of each body.

Proposed by: Dr. Srinivas Padmanabhuni

Seconded by: Mathai Joseph

### **Agenda point 3:**

To consider and if thought fit to pass with or without modification the following resolution to insert after sub clause (vii), the sub clause (viii) & (ix) in place of existing sub clause (viii) & (ix) of Clause 20 of the Rules & Regulations of the Association of the Rules & Regulations dealing with term of office of the Council Members as set out in the notice of EGM.

As the Amendments are consequential in nature, the meeting RSOLVED THAT after sub clause (vii), the sub clause (viii) & (ix) shall be inserted in place of existing sub clause (viii) & (ix) of Clause 20 of the Rules & Regulations of the Association: -

(viii) To amend the membership classes and their privileges, including the admission and subscription fees, with a view to promoting the main objectives of the society.

(ix) To appoint individuals and delegate to them responsibilities to ensure smooth administrative, technical, legal, and other affairs of the society.

Further, existing sub clauses (viii) to (xv) have been re numbered as sub clauses (ix) to (xvii)

The sub clause " To create Special Interest Groups (SIGs) and Chapters according to the Rules of the Society" is numbered as sub clause (xviii).

Existing sub clauses (xvi) has been re numbered as sub clauses (xix).

After sub clause (xix), the following the sub clause (xx) shall be inserted -

(xx) Take any other decisions towards the smooth and efficient conduct of the society's affairs and to advance the society's goals.

Proposed by: Mathai Joseph

Seconded by: Chandrashekhar Sahasrabudhe

There were no questions.

Dr. P.J. Narayanan & Mr. Chandrashekhar Sahasrabudhe thanked all the members

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

#### **For Association for Computing Machinery**

Dr. P J Narayanan  
President, ACM India

Chandrashekhar Sahasrabudhe  
Treasurer, ACM India