

Association for Computing Machinery (India)

Annual General Meeting – July 31, 2021

Minutes of the Meeting

Annual General Meeting of Association for Computing Machinery (India) was held on July 31, 2020 at 5:00 pm IST. This was a virtual meeting.

ATTENDANCE: Following members attended the meeting:

Sr.No	Name	Membership No.	Physical/on Phone
1	Madhavan Mukund	7755710	On-line
2	C.G. Sahasrabudhe	2714068	On-line
3	Hemangee Kapoor	4931898	On-line
4	Hemant Pande	1744067	On-line
5	Nandakumar Ramanathan	8951852	On-line
6	C R Muthukrishnan	1686609	On-line
7	Jayant Haritsa	3455151	On-line
8	Heena Timani	2977154	On-line
9	Supratik Chakraborty	9558500	On-line
10	Rajnish Sharma	8532005	On-line
11	Ranga Raj Gopal	8387681	On-line
12	Venkatesh G	1369381	On-line
13	Venkatesh Raman	4595996	On-line
14	Vijay Singh Rathore	7838806	On-line
15	Viraj Kumar	6955760	On-line

Chandrashekhar Sahasrabudhe, COO ACM India Council, announced that since there is no adequate quorum, meeting is adjourned for 30 minutes.

Meeting was called to order by the President after 30 minutes.

Jayant Haritsa, President ACM India Council, welcomed the members for the Annual General Meeting and requested Chandrashekhar Sahasrabudhe to conduct the meeting.

AGENDA:

1. To confirm minutes of the Special General Meeting held on October 17, 2020:

Chandrashekhar Sahasrabudhe informed that Minutes were published on the website

<https://india.acm.org/binaries/content/assets/india/sgm-10172020/mom-sgm-17-october-2020.pdf>

Minutes were approved.

Proposed by: Rajnish Sharma

Seconded by: Hemant Pande



2. To receive and adopt the Annual Report for the year 2020-21:

Annual Report is available at

<https://india.acm.org/statutory-reports/agm-2021>

Hemant Pande, Executive Director ACM India Council, presented highlights of the Annual Report for the year. Members appreciated the activities and the new initiatives.

Annual Report was approved.

Proposed by: Supratik Chakraborty

Seconded by: Ranga Raj Gopal

3. To receive and adopt Financial Statements for the year 2020-21:

Financial Statements are available at

<https://india.acm.org/statutory-reports/agm-2021>

Chandrashekhar Sahasrabudhe presented a summary of the financials for the year 2020-21. He informed that due to the pandemic, all our events were organized in virtual mode and hence we were not able to spend 85% of our income. We are expecting that the situation will be normal soon and we will be able to organize physical events. One of our major initiatives is providing travel grants to students to present papers at international conferences. Due to pandemic all international conferences were also virtual and hence no travel grants were required. He informed that we will be giving declaration to Income Tax Department that we will use the excess funds in next five years. He also informed that we will soon be completing the submission for 12AB and CSR-1.

Financial Statements for the year 2020-21 were approved.

Proposed by: Viraj Kumar

Seconded by: Vijay Singh Rathore

4. To appoint the auditors for the year 2021-22:

Chandrashekhar Sahasrabudhe informed that since we have completed 10 years, as a good practice, we are proposing to change the auditors from next year. He informed that the council asked for proposals from audit firms which have experience in auditing similar organizations. We received proposals from four firms and after interviewing all of them, Council is recommending the appointment of G D Apte & Co as our auditors for the next year. This is a very old and reputed firm in Pune with staff strength of 150, with 40 Chartered Accounts. Remuneration suggested is INR 30000 per year + taxes and actual expenses. To a query, he responded that the remuneration for earlier auditor was INR 21000, but this was quoted 10 years back and hence INR 30000 is reasonable. Prof Jayant Haritsa mentioned that our activities have also increased to a great extent in the last 10 years.

Appointment of the auditor was approved.

Proposed by: Madhavan Mukund

Seconded by: Rajnish Sharma



5. Any other business with the permission of the Chair

Prof Jayant Haritsa, addressed some issues raised by the members:

- Recommend open access for ACM DL.
 - Issue has already been raised at ACM HQ Council meeting and they have promised to implement on priority basis within next few years.
- Hybrid mode of conduct for ACM India events allowing either physical or virtual presence
 - Most conferences virtual due to pandemic, but if feasible, hybrid is recommended.
- Making pre-conference publications of paper submissions accessible one day prior to the event, when formal inaugural sessions could be conducted.
 - Papers are routinely available to all registered participants.
- Reconsider size limits and formats for ACM India research publications.
 - Specific to iSIGs and conference committees. Members can send them suggestions.
- Sponsor publishing focused Monographs on specific topics of interest to ACM India.
 - Already underway through Minigraphs initiative.

Mr Nandakumar wanted to know why summer and winter schools are not open to professionals. Hemant Pande informed that since professionals do not have time for two weeks, we have boot camps for them. He also informed that since the contents are designed for UG students, it will be difficult for faculty to deliver if professionals are attending. Venkatesh Raman informed that all the schools are recorded and recording is available to all after the school.

Since there were no other points raised by the members, meeting was closed with thanks to the Chair.



Jayant Haritsa
President ACM India Council
July 31, 2021