Minutes of AGM (ACRSI annual Meet 2019 held in Mumbai on 31-12-2019)

The meeting was convened at the start by Dr. Niranjan Agarwal, President ACRSI, who declared the result of recently conducted elections of ACRSI. 655 Votes were casted online for 2019-21 Session.

Prof. Nisar A Chowdri from SKIMS Srinagar was elected as President elect unopposed. Dr. Kushal Mittal won the post of Honorary Secretary against Dr. Pradeep by a narrow margin. Dr. Roy Patankar was elected as honorary treasurer. Dr. Prajesh Bhuta was elected as south zone Vice President. Dr. Arshad Ahmad from KGMU Lucknow was elected as North zone vice president. Dr. Tamonas Chowdri was proposed as President of East Zone.

OTHER PROPOSED NAMES FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WERE:

Dr. Raj Shekhar Mohan, Dr. Mukesh Srivastava, Dr. Atul Deshpande, Dr. Deepak Govil, Dr. R. Kannan, & Dr. C. P. Kothari. Besides names from Kamal Gupta from Jalandhar and Bhanwar Lal Yadav from Jaipur were also added to executive Council.

Dr. Brij Agarwal from Ganga Ram Hospital, Delhi, was appointed as editor of Colorectal Journal.

Dr. Pradeep Sharma’s Name was proposed for convener fellowship Board of Examinations.

Dr. Shalu Gupta was nominated as Joint Convener. However, Dr. K. S. Mayilvaganan suggested that Prof. Nisar Ahmad Chowdri, past convener, to continue as convener till he takes over as president of the association. But the board has already sought consent from Prof. Nisar A Chowdri to give responsibility to Dr. Pradeep Sharma.

Dr. Satish Midha presented the Balance Sheet as Honorary Treasurer the details of which are already uploaded on ACRSI Website.

Details of the Fellowship Course and Exam conducted on 6th and 7th of April were presented by convener Prof. Nisar A Chowdri. Dr. Kum Kum Singh, Dr. Ashok Gupta, Dr. Mayilvaganan, Dr. B. K. Rao & others acted as examiners. Twenty Candidates from the present batch and Ten Candidates from the previous batches were declared successful. Dr. Bharat Shankar became the Gold Medalist for the said examination after securing the first rank.

Zonal VP’s also presented a brief report of the zonal activities.

Future ACRSI events decided in the meeting were:

1. ACRSI Course in Jabalpur in 2020 to be conducted by Dr. Rajashekar Mohan by mid-September at Mangalore.
2. 2021 Course by Dr. Kannan.
3. ACRICICON 2020 at Jodhpur Rajasthan. Dr. Bhawar Yadav will be the Organizing secretary. The said conference will be conducted in collaboration with Euro Asian Society.

In the said meeting it was proposed to shorten the instructional fellowship course to 3 days. It was also proposed the MCQ Part of the Exam should be conducted online. Details of Foreign Fellowship 2018-19 were disclosed to Worthy Members.

Two candidates’ fellows of Colorectal Surgery SKIMS named Dr. Asif Mehraj & Dr. Mudassir Khan completed the ACRSI fellowship at Birmingham, UK under the able guidance of Dr. Sharad Karandikar.

The Fellows selected for future Foreign Fellowship courses are:
   01. Dr. Kamal Gupta
   02. Dr. Mushtaq Laway, SKIMS.

Elections were conducted smoothly and future agencies for conducting the elections will remain the same.

Some amendments in the Constitution were made (to be approved by General Body)-
   01. Overseas members will be added in future.
   02. Online members will also be added.
   03. Online forms can be filled till 11:00 Pm of the last date.
   04. Two out of five academic Meetings will be important to attend for any contestant to be eligible.
   05. Members till last executive committee are eligible to vote.
   06. Corrections in nomination forms will be entertained till last date of withdrawal till 31st. of July.
   07. Fellowship course- Two Days Online, 3 Days Physical Course, MCQ Exam Online.

Dr. Rajashekar Mohan Complained about delays in postal communication but president / Secretary apprised Dr. Rajashekar that these communications are sent to all members on SMS / WhatsApp / E-mail and are displayed on Website also. So all members should make an attempt to see it.

To conclude Past President Prof. Ashok Kumar expressed his gratitude to all EC and ACRSI member for their full cooperation during his tenure.