



LA SOCIÉTÉ DE MUSIQUE BHARATIYA, MONTRÉAL

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Minutes of the Annual General Membership Meeting

Held on November 07, 2009 at

Holleuffer Park - Chalet

75 Charlevoix, Kirkland, QC, H9J 2J3

Mr. Gopi Menon, the President chaired and called the Meeting to order at 11:55 am. He declared, without objection, that there was quorum.

AGENDA

1. Approval of minutes of previous Annual General Body Meeting held on Dec 06, 2008
2. President's Report Gopi Menon
3. Treasurer's Report Vijaya Rao
4. Auditor's Report Vijaya Rao
5. Election of new Board of Directors.
6. Approval of the maximum operating deficit for the following year.
7. Approval of the Auditor for the Year 2010
8. Proposed new items for discussion/approval
9. Other business.

The Agenda as presented was adopted by Dr. Rama Bhatt & Mr. Krishnan, without objection.

1. Approval of minutes of AGM 2008 – Adopted by Rekha & Seconded by Lakshmi, approved without objection.
2. President's Report: Received by Bala Srinivasan & & seconded by Rekha. Report available on the BSS website.
3. Treasurer's Report: The treasurer presented details of revenues and expenses, membership Etc. Accepted – Dr. Rama Bhatt & seconded by Mr. Krishnan
4. Auditor's Report for 2008 was filed accepted by Revenue Canada without any problems.
5. 4 positions out of 7 Board members will become vacant and to be filled. valid nominations were received from the members and the following people were elected by acclamation. Parvathi Bhat, Meera Shyam, Radha Iyer and Rekha Iyer .
6. A deficit of \$3,000 for the past year was moved by Dr. Rama Bhatt & seconded by Mr. Krishnan & a proposal to enhance the deficit for 2009 to \$5,000 was approved unanimously.
7. Auditors will remain the same – moved by Dr. Rama Bhatt & seconded by Mr. Krishnan. Another auditor was suggested by Pramila to be explored for future.
8. Usha Srinivasan suggested that some of the music school funds that were transferred to BSS funds could be used to have workshops to attract youngsters. Bala Srinivasan was also suggesting that BSS give some funds to have workshops.



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9. Dr. Bhatt suggested that when a Benefactor/Donor/Patron is enrolled, all the funds given by these individuals should not be spent on that year alone. Apart from the season pass amount, the rest of the funds should be set aside for the years to come for season pass fees & only the interest accrued should be used for spending.
 10. In order to present quality programs to the season pass holders, Raman suggested that we need to increase the revenues & he'll look into see if we are eligible to receive any grants from government / big organizations.
 11. With regards to the question of the number of programs presented in year 2009, it was explained by Vijay that the revenues from the Season pass holders was very low this year & Gopi mentioned that the artists fees have also gone up.
 12. Indu proposed that it would be good to look for smaller revenues to bring down the cost of the programs.
 13. Pramila suggested that considering the artists from North America will also bring down the cost of the programs.
 14. The committee expressed their gratitude to Raman & Srikanth for agreeing to manage the sound system for BSS for 2010.
 15. Motion to adjourn this AGM – Raman to move & Bala Srinivasan to second it.
 16. AGM ended at 1:30 pm.
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