



Shree Vishwakarma Association of UK

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MINUTES OF SGM/MEMBERS BRIEFING HELD ON 16 April 2023, 5.30pm at Uxendon Manor Primary School, Vista Way, HA3 0UX

Purpose of the SGM/Member's briefing.

The purpose of the SGM was as set out in the Notices sent to Members on 20th March 2023 and 10th April 2023 for the nomination/election/selection of potential merit-based suitable candidates to fill the vacant EC members and Holding Trustees positions.

Vetting Committee

To oversee the process, a vetting committee comprising of the following members of the Community was agreed and set up by the Care-Taker Committee in accordance with the Adopted Constitution:

1. MK - Miss Mandaben Khambhaita as nomination returning officer.
2. PB - Mr. Pankajbhai Bakrania as vetting committee member.
3. MM - Mr. Mansukhbhai Mahidharia as vetting committee member.
4. PV - Mr. Pranlalbhai Vadgama as vetting committee member.
5. KV - Mr. Kantibhai Vadgama as vetting committee member.

Pre-meeting procedures

As the SGM/MEMBERS BRIEFING was held after the completion of the Hanuman Chalisa Event, an entrance desk was set up before the Hanuman Chalisa event to register attending members and non-members. Members were cross verified with valid membership cards and the membership database. Colored cards were given to eligible members for voting purposes if required.

Just before the proceedings of the SGM/ MEMBERS BRIEFING, the register of attending members was verified by the RC, Treasurer and DP, Holding Trustee in the presence of JV, the President, and a member of the Vetting Committee, confirming that there were 58 eligible Members to vote and 11 non-Members.

As the SGM was for a specific purpose, there was no reference to any previous AGM or SGM.

PROCEEDINGS, MATTERS DISCUSSED AND ACTIONED.

Those present:

1. **Trustees and Office bearers:**
JV - Jayna Vadgama, President
RC - Ramesh Chhatralia, Treasurer
JI – Jay Islania - EC Member
LK – Linay Khambhaita, Holding Trustee
DP – Dharmesh Patadia, Holding Trustee
2. **Vetting committee members – as listed above.**
3. **Members qualified to vote – 58.**
4. **Non-members include two guests from Nairobi 11.**
5. **Self-nominees present:**
VS - Vinookumar Sachania
PB – Paarik Bharadia
DG – Dilip Gajjar

This is a summary of the SGM that took place on 16th April 2023. The meeting started at 5.45pm

1. In the absence of a General Secretary, RC was requested by the President to take notes and write the Minutes of the Meeting.

2. DP requested all to assemble and take seats for the meeting to commence.
3. JV as President welcomed all attendees and thanked them for their presence. She announced that the election process was not necessary as there were no contestants.
4. JV appreciated the services of the members of the Vetting Committee and invited the Election Returning Officer to declare the nominations received.
5. VS objected to the appointment of the Election Returning Officer. VS became heated and the President was not allowed to continue speaking.
6. DP intervened and thanked the Vetting Committee Members. He stated that due to shortage of time and manpower, emails received from VS were acknowledged but not responded to. JI was becoming interruptive and JV advised members that he is under disciplinary action currently.
7. PB stated that the meeting was not for election but to brief Members. JV insisted that the election process be allowed to continue and handed over to PB, a member of the VC.
8. PB welcomed all attendees and gave a brief. He requested that JV be the chairperson of the Meeting as she was the duly elected President.
9. VS still continued interrupting and was very disruptive. JG stated that the chair is President as per Constitution. Members present all agreed and the meeting was continued.
10. JV mentioned a vote to be taken for the nominations. VS strongly objected and requested to speak on stage. DP confirmed 58 members , 11 non-members were present and suggested letting members decide on the floor to finish off the process of confirming the nominations based on merit and capabilities.
11. JV called out the nomination names received for consideration by members. VS was becoming more disruptive and other members also intervened to stop the disturbance being created by VS and his wife. JV firmly requested VS to stop the chaos being created and leave the hall to restore peace and let the proceedings continue.
12. DP announced that a petition was received in a sealed envelope from the floor. PB suggested that a petition was not required.
13. JI forced himself to take the mic on stage and became abusive and aggressive towards members of the committee on stage, which many members witnessed.
14. RKB, a past President, came on stage and stated the petition was a right of members. He requested the proceeding to continue peacefully.
15. VS became more abusive and aggressive towards members alongside JI and therefore the meeting could not proceed and police were called to safeguard everyone present.
16. The Committee would thereafter decide on the suitability of the applicants and instate the roles after a full internal vetting so the Association can continue running as the matter had been prolonged.
17. JV returned on the stage to announce that the SGM and selection process was abandoned due to the disturbances caused by JI, VS and his wife, and the nominations declared null and void at the unanimous request of the Members and all present. The recruitment to fill the vacant Trustees positions would be taken up by the Caretaker Committee in accordance with the Charity Commission guidelines and the Adopted Constitution. The meeting was closed at 7:45pm.
18. Police arrived and ordered JI and VS to leave the hall immediately and wait outside. VS allegedly accused AK of physical assault which was not true and members present agreed that this is false.

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