

# **Minutes of the Annual General Body Meeting of IFNR held on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2020 at 4 pm**

Due to extraordinary circumstances of Covid-19 pandemic, the IFNR Annual General Meeting was held on Zoom app.

The meeting was preceded by IFNR president Dr. Nirmal Surya.

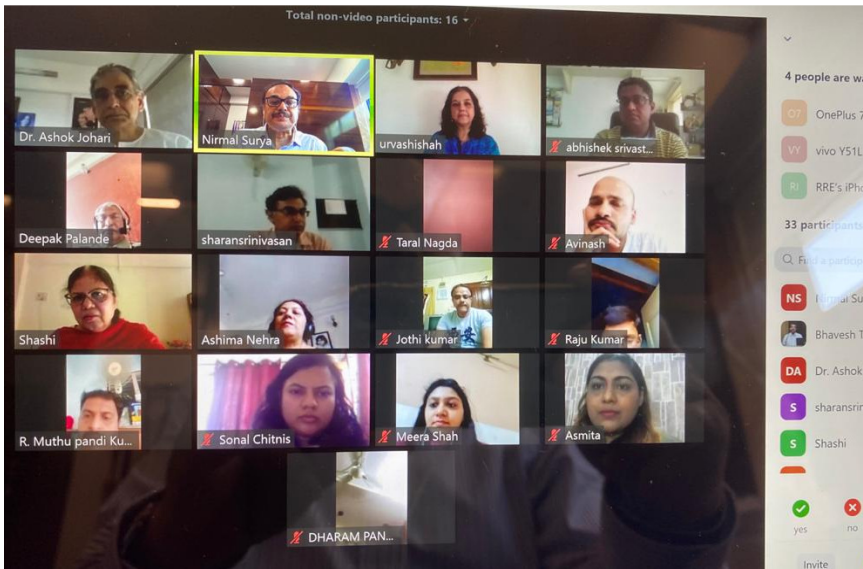
All the 4 directors Dr. Nirmal Surya, Dr. Abhishek Srivastava, Dr. Deepak Palande & Dr. Ashok Johri were present.

1. Passing of past minutes of AGM held on 21-4-19
  - The minutes of last AGM were read out by Dr. Nirmal Surya for approval. Dr. Urvashi Shah proposed and Dr. Ashok Johri seconded passing of the minutes.
  
2. Accounts & Balance Sheet for year 2019-20
  - The accounts & Balance Sheet for year 2019-20 were discussed by the president for approval
  - Dr. Johri proposed and Dr. Srivastava seconded to approve the balance sheet.
  
3. Activities
  - The first online webinar
    - IFNR in association with Neurorehab Subsection of Indian Academy of Neurology started online webinar series on Neurorehab from 6 April, 2020 to 4 May, 2020 daily at 4 to 5 PM via the zoom app.
    - Various topics and multidisciplinary approaches relevant to neurorehab were discussed.
    - Enclosing the details of the webinar held till 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2020 and the proposed plan till 4<sup>th</sup> of May, 2020.
    - Neurorehab webinar series was approved by WFNR. After completion of each webinar, participants has to answer the multiple choice questions made by the speakers made from their presentation
    - Those who able to score more than 40% will be awarded the certificate of participation
    - On compiling the data of first webinar, 4715 participants attended the webinars from more than 15 countries. Participants from all parts of the country except Andaman & Nicobar.

- Participants included neurologist, physiatrist, neuro surgeons, psychologist, speech therapists, physical therapists, occupational therapist, and Orthotist reflecting the multidisciplinary nature
- Neurorehab Course
  - WFNR Flying Faculty Neurorehab Course was planned from 5 - 10 July, 2020 to be held at Kokilaben Hospital Mumbai, but is cancelled due to the extraordinary circumstances.
- 4. The annual conference was planned along with the neurorehab course from 11-12 July, 2020 and is also cancelled due to extraordinary circumstances.
- 5. Innovation in neurorehab award
  - IFNR in association with Neurorehab subsection of IAN were able to start a new award 'Innovation in Neurorehab Award' to be held during each annual conference of Indian Academy of Neurology every year.
  - The first award went to Dr. Mangal Kardile for her work on cognitive assessment and retraining in epilepsy patients during an annual IAN conference held at Hyderabad in Sept. 2019.
- 6. Travel Scholarship from Developing world for the upcoming WFNR October 2020
  - IFNR has donated 15000 USD to WFNR for providing two Travel fellowships, one from developing countries and one from India from next 8 WFNR conferences. This will include complementary registration and three night's accommodation.
- 7. Appointment of auditor
  - Dr. Surya proposed name of Chiraniya & Company to continue as per the auditor for IFNR and was seconded by Dr. Urvashi Shah.
- 8. The Website to be updated with payment gateway for membership by Chowgule Mediconsult.
- 9. Any other matter with preparation of Chair
  - The new member list was read out by the President for approval, was proposed by Dr. Srivastava and was seconded by Dr. Palande.

- Dr. Surya briefed members about updating of the website and mobile application and a link will be provided to all registered members for reviewing the webinar series
- Mobile app of the IFNR will ready by this year and this will help interaction among the members
- Dr. Surya gave overview of WFNR 2020 to be held in France in Oct. 2020 and requested members to participate in huge numbers
- Dr. Partha Ray congratulated the IFNR team for outstanding work done in organizing the webinar series but he pointed out that very few neurologist attending this webinar series
- Dr. Sharan Srinivasan congratulated the IFNR team for webinar series
- Dr. Ashima Nehra proposed to start multi-centric clinical trials in the field of neurorehab and informed the members on their work on cognitive retraining got published in BMJ
- Dr. Urvashi Shah congratulated the IFNR team for neurorehab webinar series as it has reached out to more than 4000 participants. She also proposed to new and simple interdisciplinary tools and scales which can be used by any member of the rehab team. Dr. Surya requested Dr. Shah to constitute expert's committee with 3 to 4 experts and make a representation to Dr. Srivastava
- Dr. Ashok Johri also congratulated the team of the webinar series as it let to dissemination of knowledge to all parts of the country across different specialties in neurorehab. He proposed to constitute a research committee to start focused research trials
- **Dr. Nirmal Surya briefed about ICHA affiliation of IFNR for wider representative & which was accepted to get affiliation with the ICHA**
- Dr. Taral Nagda congratulated the team, the format and quality of webinar series and proposed to start one day workshops on specific topics on webinar platform in due course of time
- Ms. Chitnis shared the need of Validation of scales for Indian population by the expert committee
- Dr. Partha Ray spoke about telemedicine society of Indian guidelines and how they can be utilized
- R. Muthu Pandi Kumar requested to correct his full name in the member's list
- Dr. Palande discussed regarding the membership fees for the overseas members and it was decided that 200 USD will be the Life Member fees for overseas delegates, which was passed in 2019 AGM

- Dr. Surya briefed about hard work done by Mr. Bhavesh, Dr. Mansi, Dr. Hitav & Mr. Rahul for the Webinar and background office work for past 1 ½ months & to pay styfund to Hitav & salary to Rahul for 1 Month  
Dr Abhishek Srivastava thanked all members for active participation in the AGM and meeting was closed.



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