

## MINUTES OF SAEINDIA EGM 06 June 2018

An Extraordinary General Body Meeting of SAEINDIA was held at B-Auditorium, First Floor, D-Building at Automotive Research Association of India, Kothrud Facility, Pune. 52 members attended the meeting. It started at 4 pm on 06 June 2018.

### Proceedings:

#### **Welcome**

SAEINDIA outgoing President Dr. R K Malhotra welcomed the members.

#### **Secretary's report**

Secretary's report was presented by Mr. Javaji Munirathnam since the Secretary Mr. Sanjay Deshpande was unable to attend in person. A few anomalies in the data related to membership were pointed out by Mr. S. Shanmugam. It was agreed that correct data regarding membership, and additional information on Section-led activities will be shared along with minutes of the meeting.

#### **Thoughts from Dr. R K Malhotra**

Dr. R K Malhotra was invited to make a brief speech reflecting on his experiences with SAEINDIA during 2016-18.

In his speech, Dr. Malhotra spoke about various initiatives taken by the MC during 2016-18. He cited that to keep pace with the changing times, Policy Deployment Meet and Visioning Exercise were conducted by SAEINDIA in which senior members participated. During the visioning exercise, Core Purpose Statement and Shared Vision were drafted which will become the guiding principles for SAEINDIA, including the sections and boards.

The MC (2016-18) worked with the aim to make SAEINDIA office a performance-driven organization, and thus recruited two new professionals for managing the office and introduced variable pay system for the staff. Dr. R K Malhotra mentioned that though a few new initiatives were taken, lot more needs to be done. He hoped that the new MC under the leadership of Dr. Bala K. Bharadvaj would take this forward and complete the agenda.

#### **Results of recent Election**

The Election & Returning Officer, Mr. K N Krishnamurthy, Retd. Director from Ashok Leyland, presented the election results. Since the valid nominees were less than the number of positions, all valid nominees were automatically elected to the MC.

The following member have been automatically elected. In addition, per the by-laws, the following members will also become part of the MC.

S. No.	Portfolio	Name	Section	Affiliation
1	President	Dr. Bala K. Bharadvaj	BIS	Managing Director, Boeing India Engineering & Technology Center.
2	Sr. Vice President	Mrs. Rashmi Urdhwareshe	WIS	Director, ARAI
3	Vice President	Mr. I.V.Rao	NIS	Executive Advisor, Maruti Suzuki India Ltd.
4	Secretary	Mr. Deepak Sawkar	NIS	Sr. Vice President, Chassis Design, Maruti Suzuki India Ltd.
5	Treasurer	Dr. K.C.Vora	WIS	Sr. Dy Director, ARAI
6	Member	Mr. N.Balasubramanian	SIS	Renault Nissan Tech. & Business Centre India Pvt. Ltd.,
7	Member	Dr. R.Rajendran	SIS	Professor, SRM Inst. Of Science & Tech
8	Member	Mr. Dinesh Shyamsundar	SIS	Leader, WABCO Technology Centre
9	Member	Dr. D.Muruganandam	SIS	Professor & Head, Jeppiar Inst. of Tech
10	Member	Mr. S.Shanmugam	SIS	Director, Design Desk India
11	Member	Mr. S.Sriraman	SIS	Sr, VP, TAFE
12	Member	Mr. R.Velusamy	SIS	Sr.Vice President, Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd.
13	Member	Ms. Pamela Tikku	NIS	Sr., General Manager, International Centre For Automotive Technology
14	Member	Mr. Purushottam Panda	NIS	Executive Vice President, Maruti Suzuki India Limited
15	Member	Dr.SSV Ramakumar	NIS	Director (R&D) Indian Oil Corporation
16	Member	Prof. Prakash B Joshi	WIS	Founder, Joint Managing Trustee, MIT Group of Institutions
17	Member	Mr. Prakash Sardesai	WIS	Head - Applications Engineering & Business Development, Süd-Chemie India Pvt Ltd.
18	Member	Mr. Munirathnam Javaji	BIS	Founder CEO, Javaji Consulting.

Mr. Krishnamurthy made a plea to all the sections and members that unity is the source of power and we will have to work together to achieve our goals.

### **Change of Leadership**

As per the by-laws the current Sr VP of SAEINDIA, Dr. Bala K Bharadvaj was elected as President of SAEINDIA. Dr. R K Malhotra will continue to guide the new MC in the capacity of Immediate Past President for next two years.

Dr. Bharadvaj spoke to the gathering accepting his new role and sharing his thoughts. He reminded the gathering about our new vision for SAEINDIA, and how we all have to work together as One SAEINDIA to fulfil the vision. He also said that it was time to rethink how we should be organized within SAEINDIA and identified specific focus areas: Membership growth, Programs for students, Programs for faculty, programs for professionals, Programs for senior professionals and Industry Captains, Think-Tank and Collaboration with other organizations, Successful FISITA, Improved financial management, Progress on building, and Communication & Branding. He also reminded the gathering that the members, volunteers and office staff have to work together to achieve these goals.

Mrs Rashmi Urdhvaresh, Director ARAI and VP SAEINDIA, also addressed the gathering.

### **Discussion**

The house was opened for any suggestions & questions. Mr. S. Shanmugam raised several questions and concerns about some issues with membership data and membership cards in the Southern Section, and expressed concern on the process being followed. However, a few other members from other Sections expressed satisfaction regarding membership cards being received through their organisation and were happy with the process. It was suggested that we may check preferences with members regarding delivery of membership cards.

Some members pointed out that since there were a large number of student members, we should have more representation of academicians in the MC. It was clarified that membership of MC is open to all members and anyone interested to contribute can follow the laid down process to become a member of the MC.

The incoming SAEINDIA President (2018-20) Dr. Bala K Bharadvaj assured that this MC will address the problems associated with membership and resolve them. He said that the details could be discussed during the first MC meeting scheduled immediately after the EGM at ARAI.

The vote of thanks was presented by SAEINDIA Western Section Chair Mr. Sanjay Nibhandhe.

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