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Minutes of the PPA Executive body meeting held on Sunday, 5th November, 2023 at 2:30 pm

PPA Executive Body meeting was held on Sunday, 5th November, 2023 at 2:30 pm, online under the Chairmanship of Prof. Muhammad Jahanzeb Khan (PhD), President Pakistan Psychological Association. The following attended the meeting:

1. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Jahanzeb Khan	President
2. Dr. Sarwat Sultan	Vice-President (Punjab)
3. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Tahir Khalily	Finance Secretary
4. Dr. Iffat Batool	Additional Secretary
5. Dr. Shazia Qayyum	Secretary Information
6. Dr. Rizwana Amin	Executive Members
7. Prof. Dr. Farah Malik	Executive Members
8. Dr. Mussaffa Butt	Executive Members
9. Dr. Shahnaila Tariq	Executive Member
10. Mr. Muhammad Abbas	Office Secretary

Mr. Jamil Bhatti didn't join the meeting due to health issues and other members didn't inform the office about their not coming.

The meeting started with the recitation of the Holy Quran. President PPA welcomed the Executive Members. Thereafter, the agenda of the meeting was presented with the permission of the chair.

Agenda Item # 01: Previous meeting minutes held online

Resolution No. 1.1: The house discussed the minutes of the previous meeting held on 14th August, 2023 (online meeting), which were unanimously endorsed by the committee without any observations. A few explanations were sought which were replied.

Agenda Item # 02: PPA progress summary (2015-2023)

Resolution No. 2.1: During the meeting, House discussed the progress report of PPA, which included updates on membership status, financial status, curricular activities, linkages, record keeping and efforts to hold PPA conference in the last 2 years first at FATA University and then at Bara Gali Campus of University of Peshawar, as well as Shifa Tamer-e-Millat University Islamabad. The conferences could not be held due to lack of registrations and due to PPA account freezing.

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Agenda Item # 03 Feedback on Pakistan Psychological council (PPC) Bill

Resolution No. 3.1: The President of PPA briefed the house on the current status of the Pakistan Psychological Council Bill and also mentioned meeting the HEC concerned person for National Psychological Counsel (PPC).

Agenda Item # 04 Annual Account Statement and Account Status.

Resolution No. 4.1: The President presented the current account update, he told that he, Dr. Tahir Khalily and Mr. Muhammad Abbas met with branch manager to discuss and identify the reason of freezing the account but unfortunately didn't find the any specific reason even though bank didn't provide case reference ID, but he and Mr. Muhammad Abbas are in touch with branch manager and trying to sought out the issue as well as President approach to FIA with the help of his own source and come to know the account was freeze from Faisalabad region FIA office. Also, they have to try open new account for conference but Bank required all executive member's ID card copies, on it some member had objection that it might lead to violation of law. Lastly Mr. Muhammad Abbas update financial status of PPA to the house stating that PPA has 1,5 million Rs. in the account.

The President of PPA and house of the meeting expressed their appreciation for the current surplus amount in the PPA account.

Agenda Item # 05 PPA Memberships

Resolution No. 5.1: Mr. Muhammad Abbas presented to the house the current number of life members, which is 1107.

Agenda Item # 06: PPA Current Situation and Strategy to deal with it.

Resolution No. 6.1: The President PPA updated the members on previous efforts to schedule a conference in FATA in 2021, Bara Gali in 2022 and 2023 in Islamabad (which could not be successful due to lack of Registrations and account freezing). Also, update current situation, mention the he has information from Lahore about the minutes of a meeting that was about PPA, in which 15 people were physically present and about 20 people were taken online, some of whom were not even members of PPA. In this meeting they did not take the executive body of PPA on board which is not appropriate. I can understand that there should be an election. But, three times before this, people did not register for the conference and the fourth time the conference

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could not be held because of the account freezing. I personally did not want that to happen. The PPA members are equally responsible for this delay, because they didn't register. I also received a call from Mr. Sulman from Lahore that we are having a conference and you are also invited to participate in it. I told them that I'm the president of PPA and which conference is being held and who is conducting it. Because the executive has the authority to announce the conference, and we were not consulted.

On this, **Dr. Tahir Khalily** said that I agree with Dr. Jahanzeb and I have also spoken to Irfan Kisana, who is playing an important role in organizing the conference in Lahore. He has told that they have booked hall for conference and if we want to keep the psychology community from being divided, then I think we should overtake this conference and participate with them. So that the psychologist community is not divided.

After that, **Dr. Shahnila Tariq** expressed her opinion and said that even there is a matter of account, so I remember that after Bilal Sufi, when Mian Sahib got the presidency of PPA, she said that the account It should have been done in your name. But we did not do it. On this, Jahanzeb told him that the account of PPA was opened by Mr. Riaz Fathana and Dr. Tanveer Kyani, but they transferred its charge to Dr. Tahir Khalili and the current president, Dr. Jahanzeb. Currently Dr. Tahir Khalili and Dr. Jahanzeb are its signatories.

Expressing her opinion, **Dr. Shazia Qayyum** said that all the people who are in contact with those people who are organizing conference in Lahore they should immediately resign from their posts as executive body or should reply to them.

Dr. Farah Malik expressed his opinion and said that if we go and participate in the conference with them on the date given by this group, it will be blackmailing. I do not agree with Dr. Tahir on this point and as far as Irfan Kisana is not an education/academic worker. They should have consulted the executive body of PPA before doing all this and we must have thought about it.

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On this Dr. Tahir Khalily expressed his opinion that if those people are doing wrong, then we should correct it, besides, we have worked for a long time only for the noble cause. When PPA was handed over to us, the total amount in account was less than 100 thousand rupees and right now we have 1.5 million rupees in our account. Also we have motivated the psychologist and students to get membership of PPA. If we don't takeover this conference right now, our community will be divided, besides, many people are showing unprofessional attitude and I don't think anyone has enough time to discuss with them or answer their useless questions. I think it would be better if we sit and consult with them and bring the conference to completion.

Dr. Sarwat Sultan expressed his opinion and said that we should find a middle way and overtake by making some changes in the same conference.

Dr. Rizwana Amin expressed his opinion and said that we should sought out the issues together and I think it would be better if we settle the issues together with the Lahore group and take over this conference with few changes. This will prevent our psychologist community from being divided.

Moreover, Dr. Shahnila Tariq told that they want to get registered PPA as Pakistan Psychological Association, moreover, they are also giving membership to some people, now I don't know how they will issue the certificate and registration number to them.

On these opinions of house, the chair of the house Dr. Jahanzeb, formed a committee under the chairmanship of Dr. Tahir Khalily. members of the committee will be

1. Dr. Tahir Khalily
2. Dr. Sarwat Sultan
3. Dr. Ifat Batool
4. Dr. Shahnila Tariq

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and they will settle matters with the Lahore group. On this, Dr. Tahir further added that I think we should add Dr. Rafia Rafiq from the Lahore group to our committee and I will discuss with her. If they approach us we can hold it together or will meet again to hold our conference or elections.

In response, House appreciated his efforts.

Thereafter, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the chair.

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