



OSA BOG MEETING MINUTES

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| Date: | Feb 08, 2015 , Sunday |
| Time: | 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM EST |
| Location: | Conference Call |
| Presided By | Tapan Padhi |
| Topic: | Monthly BOG Meeting |

Invitees/Attendees:

| # | Name | Designation | Chapter | Status |
|----|----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------|
| 1 | Tapan Padhi | President | OSA | yes |
| 2 | Sikhanda Satpathy | Vice President | OSA | yes |
| 3 | Sabita Panigrahi | Secretary | OSA | Yes |
| 4 | Prashanta Ranabijuli | Treasurer | OSA | Yes |
| 5 | Pramod Mohapatra | President | Southern Chapter | Yes |
| 6 | Sujata Nayak | President | OSA – MD/VA | No |
| 7 | Anil Patnaik | President | OSA - Ohio | Yes |
| 8 | Annapurna Pandey | Past President | OSA | yes |
| 9 | Simant Mishra | President | OSA – Grand Canyon | No |
| 10 | Bimal Mishra | President | OSA- Washington DC | No |
| 11 | Arun Mohanty | President | OSA – New England | Yes |
| 12 | Jhara Das | President | OSA - Chicago | Yes |
| 13 | Punyatoya Sarangi | President | OSA - Michigan | Yes |
| 14 | Amar Senapati/Subashish Tripathy | President | OSA – NYNJ | Yes |
| 15 | Radhagobinda Mohanty | President | Ozark - Central | No |
| 16 | Sunil Sabat | President | California | No |
| 17 | Priyadarshan Patra | President | OSA – Pacific Northwest | yes |
| 18 | Sakti Singh | President | OSA - SouthEast | Yes |
| 19 | Siddharth Behera | President | OSA-Southwest | yes |
| 20 | Debasis Das | President | OSA - NW Chapter | No |
| 22 | Satya Patnaik | Editor | | No |
| 23 | Sadhu Behera | President | OSA - Rocky Mountain | No |
| 24 | Abani Pattanaik | President | CANOSA | no |
| 25 | Pratap Das | 2015 Convener | | yes |
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Agenda

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| | Agenda items: 1. Convention update 2. Opening an account in Odisha 3. OSA Misc updates 3. Round table |



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| 1 | Opening an account in Odisha | Prasant updated that there was a committee formed in last meeting. The committee is trying to get lot of information on procedures and working on it. One option is Pan Card and we have submitted the form. We need to provide registration information with the submission. Another option is opening a bank account. Jhara Das mentioned that she is going India and she will find out more. |
| 2 | Convention update | <p>Pratap Das updated that there was a meeting on Global conference. There were lot of questions on Global conference. We are doing for the first time. There will be a great cultural programs on Odisha cultural heritage in Kennedy Centre. We are looking into bigger cultural activities during convention such as Film festival, Chhau dance, Gotipua dance, Drum ensemble, Singers led by Trupti Das, Ramhari Das and many more.</p> <p>Stays in Gaylord will be excellent. Food will be prepared by Indian Chef in Gaylord.</p> <p>He also mentioned that we are looking for sponsors. Jhara Das and Annapurna Pandey asked about the selection process on Odissi dancers from different chapters for Global Odisha program. Pratap Das mentioned that Aruna Mohanty and the cultural committee will do the selection. The selection has been distributed among different styles. Arun Mohanty asked to clarify on registration fee on GO and Convention.</p> <p>Pratap Das requested all the chapter presidents to spread the word regarding GO and convention. Sikhanda and Sabita requested him to attend each BOG meeting till the convention.</p> |
| 3 | Misc Update | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Guest selection and award committee update. Sikhanda reminded that the email has gone in OSAnet on guest selection committee. He also updated about OSA award committee. The previous committee has agreed to continue. He also requested chapter presidents to encourage members to nominate successful candidates to celebrate success among our people. - Anil asked about higher education and signing the MOU. Tapan updated that it is in the process of signing the MOU. He requested Anil to be part of the process. - Tapan Padhi mentioned that we don't highlight much about our OSA awards regarding their naming. Anil mentioned that during OHIO convention, they had a made a slide on Pramode Patnaik drama competition but due to time constraint, they couldn't display. Sikhanda mentioned that we should collect for all the awards such as Subrina Biswal, Arun Das and other awards. Tapan requested Anil to take the lead to collect all the information and present to the BOG. |



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| 4 | Round table | <p>Prashanta shared that audit committee has not sent the 2014 convention report yet. It's been past due. He asked for the suggestion. Sikhanda suggested that we give them a deadline as it has already past due.</p> <p>Prashanta also requested all chapter presidents to share their finance report. He also mentioned that he is going to send a format which will be easier for the presidents to fill up.</p> <p>Tapan Padhi updated about a copyright issue. OSA got a legal notice from Getty image that one of our chapters is using an image in one of the pages and fined \$2000 to OSA. He verified and found out that that was correct, NY/NJ chapter had used it. He contacted our legal counsel and Getty image and informed them regarding OSA's non profit status. After some negotiation they agreed to reduce the fine. Sikhanda requested everyone not to use any google image in without verifying the status and permission. Annapurna also emphasized that chapters need to be careful and we should not use any image without written permission from the commercial organization.</p> <p>Sakti asked whether OSA should have approval process for chapter's web content as there will be a financial responsibility. Annapurna mentioned it will be another burden on OSA for policing as it is a volunteer organization.</p> <p>Tapan Padhi suggested that chapters need to take the ownership of the content to protect OSA and their own chapters. Anil suggested for selfcertification that will force the chapters to take the ownership. Sikhanda requested Tapan to send an email in OSAForYou to remind chapters not to use any unauthorized material. He also suggested that we need to have a solid discussion, get legal counsel suggestion regarding this issue and protect OSA and its chapters with proper controls such as some disclaimer.</p> <p>Anil updated that they are planning to do a youth leadership program.</p> <p>Sikhanda suggested that we should discuss it more detail in next meeting.</p> <p>Annapurna reminded Sikhanda to complete the OSA convention guideline for approval.</p> <p>Arun updated about that they are going to host the regional drama festival on 6th of June.</p> <p>Sakti Singh updated that Saraswati Puja, first event of the year was celebrated. They presented a drama 'Spicy Pakhala' which was very much appreciated.</p> |

Next Meeting

BOG Meeting has been scheduled to be on Sunday, 08, March, 2015 at 7:30PM EST.

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