

2018-04-21 Meeting Notes

Date

21 Apr 2018

Time

12-2pm

Location

MIT Building 4, Room 237

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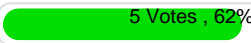


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Attendees: [Melli Annamalai](#), [Maulik Nagri](#), [Bhavana Gallewale](#), [Sadhana Kyathappala](#), [Ganesh Iyer](#), [Jalaj Shah](#), [Deepti Shah](#), [Akshay Bhole](#)

Agenda & Minutes

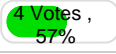
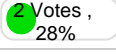

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15mins	Akshay Bhole	<p>ARC Proposals for first half of 2018</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">Establishing Asha-wide Fundraising Campaign Policies <p>🔒 Do you agree to the Asha-wide campaign policy?</p> <table><thead><tr><th>Choices</th><th>Your Vote</th><th>Current Result: (8 Total Votes)</th><th>Comments</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Yes</td><td><input checked="" type="radio"/></td><td><div style="width: 87.5%; background-color: #00b050; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px;">7 Votes , 87%</div></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>No</td><td><input type="radio"/></td><td><div style="width: 12.5%; background-color: #00b050; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px;">1 Votes , 12%</div></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Abstain</td><td><input type="radio"/></td><td><div style="width: 0%; background-color: #00b050; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px;">0 Votes , 0%</div></td><td></td></tr></tbody></table> <ol style="list-style-type: none">Changes to nomination process for Asha-wide elections <p>🔒 Do you agree to the change for Asha-wide election nomination process as described above?</p> <table><thead><tr><th>Choices</th><th>Your Vote</th><th>Current Result: (7 Total Votes)</th><th>Comments</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Yes</td><td><input checked="" type="radio"/></td><td><div style="width: 100%; background-color: #00b050; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px;">7 Votes , 100%</div></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>No</td><td><input type="radio"/></td><td><div style="width: 0%; background-color: #00b050; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px;">0 Votes , 0%</div></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Abstain</td><td><input type="radio"/></td><td><div style="width: 0%; background-color: #00b050; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px;">0 Votes , 0%</div></td><td></td></tr></tbody></table> <ol style="list-style-type: none">Updating Asha Logo	Choices	Your Vote	Current Result: (8 Total Votes)	Comments	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<div style="width: 87.5%; background-color: #00b050; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px;">7 Votes , 87%</div>		No	<input type="radio"/>	<div style="width: 12.5%; background-color: #00b050; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px;">1 Votes , 12%</div>		Abstain	<input type="radio"/>	<div style="width: 0%; background-color: #00b050; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px;">0 Votes , 0%</div>		Choices	Your Vote	Current Result: (7 Total Votes)	Comments	Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<div style="width: 100%; background-color: #00b050; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px;">7 Votes , 100%</div>		No	<input type="radio"/>	<div style="width: 0%; background-color: #00b050; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px;">0 Votes , 0%</div>		Abstain	<input type="radio"/>	<div style="width: 0%; background-color: #00b050; border-radius: 10px; padding: 2px;">0 Votes , 0%</div>		
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🔒 Do you approve changing the Asha logo to the new one shown in the proposal above?

Choices	Your Vote	Current Result: (8 Total Votes)	Comments
Yes		5 Votes , 62%	
No		3 Votes , 37%	
Abstain		0 Votes , 0%	

4. [Establishing AFE Site Visit Consulting Program](#)

🔒 Do you support Asha hiring a site-visit consultant to perform site visits for projects?

Choices	Your Vote	Current Result: (7 Total Votes)	Comments
Yes		4 Votes , 57%	<p>No: While there is a need for some program for visiting projects in remote sites, I feel the proposal in its current form does not adequately address the concern that chapters might just take the easy way out and rely on the consultants more and more. A lot in Asha is a "labor of love" - we do it because we are passionate about the cause and want to work towards it. Some of that is defeated if we rely more and more on paying someone to do things like site visits. (While I think we would be more professional if we had paid staff for a variety of things, I feel site visits on a routine basis should not be one of them because it is such an integral part of what we do). What we need is a way for a chapter to use the consultant only when there are no other options We should perhaps re-draft the proposal in that way. For example: - yearly visits in the beginning changing to less frequent required visits as we get comfortable with the project, for example I see no reason to visit long running projects every year, once every 2-3 years might be enough especially since they are very communicative and the stewards can easily be in regular touch, - use of consultant only once every 3 or 5 years, or some such criteria - use of consultant based on some criteria that determines how much of a hardship it is to visit a project, etc. Melli</p>
No		2 Votes , 28%	
Abstain		1 Votes , 14%	

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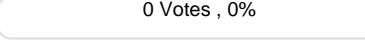

Akshay Bhole, Melli Annamalai

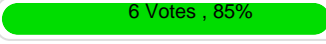


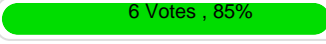


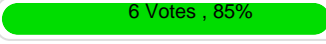


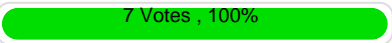
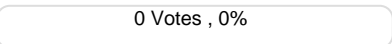
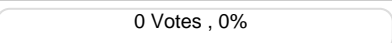
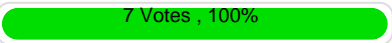
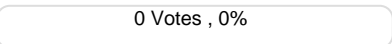
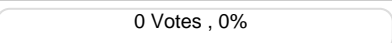
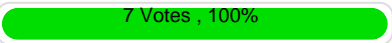
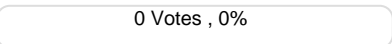
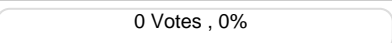
Asha wide Elections - Nomination

Asha-wide elections happen every two years and this nomination is for the 2018-2020 term.

[Akshay Bhole 2018 Nomination Statement](#)

🔒 Do you approve of Akshay's nomination for the Asha-wide webmaster position?

Choices	Your Vote	Current Result: (10 Total Votes)	Comments
Yes		9 Votes , 90%	
No		0 Votes , 0%	
Abstain		1 Votes , 10%	

5min	Akshay Bhole	<p>General Funds share for 2017 received by Asha Boston is \$77, 239.</p> <p>More details are available in https://goo.gl/FhA3c6 (login with Ashanet account required)</p> <p>Some notes from the Asha-wide treasury team.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For the first time ever, we do not have sufficient General Funds to completely satisfy even the top off requirements for all chapters (let alone a split on top of that). As a result, this year, we only have the ability to meet around 80% of chapter's top off needs. 2. This will, in all likelihood, be the last "major" Asha General Funds split. GF levels have decreased quite a bit since this disbursal process started many years ago (glad we could put the money to good use!) 3. For FY18, we will be drafting new WCR and GF split rules, and this will be put up for vote in the ARC cycle starting July. Chapter inputs for new WCR rules are welcome; we will also continue this discussion in the second half of 2018. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. One of the likely features of these new rules would be an elimination of top-off provision - so chapters are encouraged to plan and maintain a healthy WCR around 1.5 going forward, and also ramping up local fundraising efforts. 																	
15mins	Maulik Nagri	<p>Project Funding Renewal - BSPES</p> <p>🔒 Do you approve funding INR 520,000 (USD 8000 @ 65 INR/USD) to BSPES for the academic year 2018-19 as first semi-annual installment?</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="310 625 1172 852"> <thead> <tr> <th>Choices</th> <th>Your Vote</th> <th>Current Result: (7 Total Votes)</th> <th>Comments</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Yes</td> <td></td> <td>6 Votes , 85%</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>No</td> <td></td> <td>0 Votes , 0%</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Abstain</td> <td></td> <td>1 Votes , 14%</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Documents</p> <p>Jan 2018 Site Visit by Maulik Nagri</p> <p>Project Proposal by Maulik Nagri</p>	Choices	Your Vote	Current Result: (7 Total Votes)	Comments	Yes		6 Votes , 85%		No		0 Votes , 0%		Abstain		1 Votes , 14%		
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15mins	Sadhana Kyathappa, Bhavana Gallewale	<p>Project Funding Renewal - KSV</p> <p>Last year, we vetted and approved KSV as a project that we would support. Similar to last year, KSV has requested Rs. 5,50,000/- to supplement their operational costs for the coming academic year. Their Proposal for 2018-2019 is available for review. We also had Mamtha Rao, who has relocated to India, visit the project in March 2018. Her Site Visit Report is available for review. Their Audit Report is also available for review.</p> <p>The main goal of supporting this project was to facilitate child sponsorships from the US, which is the main funding source for KSV's operations. Although we haven't been able to get this aspect working seamlessly (see issues in Mamtha's site visit), there have been project specific donations towards individual child sponsorship in the amount of \$2934/- donated between Oct 16, 2017 and April 18, 2018.</p> <p>So we have 2 sets of money :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. \$2934/- (Rs. 1,93,000/-) collected since the previous payment of \$1830/- via Checklist 2301 on Oct 15, 2017. 2. KSV's request for Rs. 5,50,000/- per their proposal from the General Asha Funds. <p>(This could either be a single installment of Rs. 5,50,000/- or 2 payments of Rs. 2,75,000/- each where we send the 1st payment now & the 2nd payment in November.)</p> <p>We need a vote for the following:</p> <p>Do you approve funding INR 7,43,000 to KSV for academic year 2018-2019, which includes INR 1,93,000/- (\$2934/-) collected since the previous disbursal, + INR 5,50,000/- requested in the proposal.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Do you approve funding INR 5,50,000 to KSV for academic year 2018-2019 to be sent in 2 equal installments, along with project specific donations collected to date since the previous disbursal, i.e., INR 1,93,000/- (\$2934/-). This would be INR 4,68,000/- (Rs. 2,75,000/- + Rs. 1,93,000/-) for this disbursal.</p> <p>🔒 Do you approve funding INR 5,50,000 to KSV for the academic year 2018-19 to be sent in two installments? And also approve \$2934 received in project specific donation along with it?</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="310 1623 1172 1850"> <thead> <tr> <th>Choices</th> <th>Your Vote</th> <th>Current Result: (7 Total Votes)</th> <th>Comments</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Yes</td> <td></td> <td>7 Votes , 100%</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>No</td> <td></td> <td>0 Votes , 0%</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Abstain</td> <td></td> <td>0 Votes , 0%</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Choices	Your Vote	Current Result: (7 Total Votes)	Comments	Yes		7 Votes , 100%		No		0 Votes , 0%		Abstain		0 Votes , 0%		
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15mins	Priya Mocherla	<p>Project Funding Renewal - Kamlakar Trust</p> <p>Documents</p> <p>Project report April 2018 : Project report -2018</p> <p>Project site Visit Jan - 2018: Site Visit Report</p> <p>We will take a vote for funding 2017-18 academic year right now.</p> <p>🔒 Do you approve funding INR 3,94,000 to Kamlakar Trust for the academic year 2018-19 to be sent in two installments?</p> <p>Choices Your Vote Current Result: (9 Total Votes) Comments</p> <hr/> <table border="0"> <tr> <td data-bbox="310 537 354 562">Yes</td> <td data-bbox="607 537 998 579"> </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="310 600 345 625">No</td> <td data-bbox="607 600 998 642"> </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="310 663 386 688">Abstain</td> <td data-bbox="607 663 998 705"> </td> </tr> </table> <p>There are additional questions about the project which we would like to have answers to for continued funding for future years. Melli Annamalai to compile questions for this project and we will vote on funding once we have answers to those questions via Priya Mocherla</p>	Yes		No		Abstain		
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