Minutes of 3rd General body meeting held on 10th August 2019 at Hotel Ashoka, Egmore-Chennai-10

Shri. S.G. Jayaprakash Managing Trustee welcomed the Trustees and Trust members. He conveyed his special thanks for the Trust members who came from outstations viz., Vellore, Madurai, Coimbatore, Cuddalore, Thanjavur, Salem and Erode. The meeting observed two minutes silence as a mark of respect to the departed Accounts personnel. After self introduction of members, the following dignitaries spoke on the occasion.

- 1.Shri. P.Vaithyanathan appreciated the manner in which the Trust is serving the society and wished and hoped that our Trust will do more such activities in the days to come. He appreciated the efforts made by the Trust members for enrolling a very large no. of members and appealed accounts personnel for joining the Trust in large number.
- 2. Shri. P. Somu told that he will extend his full support and cooperation for the successful functioning of the Trust.
- 3. Shri. R. Ramachandren appreciated the aims and objective of the Trust. Helping others will give immense satisfaction. He informed that he came all the way from Delhi to see all our old friends and very happy to see all our friends.

Then Secretary K. Balasubramanian placed the Annual report. He read para by para and the same was approved by the house (Copy of Annual report is available in the site). And it was also uploaded by Shri. Sethu in the Whats app group for the information of Trust members.

The following trust members took part in the discussion on various paras in the report regarding

1. Membership.

Shri T R S Sriram suggested that in future only life member should be enrolled and the practise of enrolling annual membership should be stopped. All the annual members should be addressed to convert into life members. Most of the Trust members agreed with his proposal and accordingly requested to make necessary amendment in the bye law. Secretary replied that as per the approval of the house necessary amendment will be made in the Trust Deeds.

2. Cash award function.

Now the schools are selected from Chennai city only. Many members expressed desire that we can extend to other districts also.

- Shri. C. Duraiarasan expressed difficulties in organising the Prize distribution function in various districts because our resources are limited.
- Shri. M. Govindaraj Salem expressed that the SSA Trust members will bear the cost for organising the function.

- Shri. P. Santhakumar suggested to organise the function region-wise viz Trichy, Madurai, Coimbatore, Salem etc to motivate students in the respective area.
- Shri. C. Arumugam Vellore to Start with we can organise the function in addition to Chennai, in the most backward district viz., Dharmapuri, Krishnagiri etc.
- Shri. S. Venkatraman suggested that instead of covering more outside district let us concentrate one or two outside district first measure the success and then implement throughout the circle.
- After hearing all the suggestion from members, Secretary replied that these items will be discussed in details in the next Trust board meeting and will decide the modalities and the District to be selected for the distribution of Awards to meritorious children.
- We can also consider giving financial assistance to poor students from Rural Areas based on their financial backgrounds.
- Secretary informed the house, that as we have not applied form 12 A to the IT department banks have deducted TDS from the interest element. Secretary informed the house that in order to apply form 12A, We may have to make necessary changes/ amendments in the Trust deed. i.e. All the activities of the Trust should be only for the general public and not for the members of AFSOA and their families. Accordingly he proposed for making amendment in the objective of the Trust deed and the house unanimously approved.
- Sri R.Ramachandren In order to avail the Tax benefit, he suggested instead of using the word "Cash award" it is better to use financial assistance so that it will be easy to get approval from Income Tax. Secretary replied that his advice will be kept in mind while amending in the Trust Deed.
- The audited accounts was presented by Treasurer Shri.S.Sethu and was approved without any discussion.

Then the next item in the agenda amendment to bye-laws/trust deed was taken up

- 1. Secretary informed the house that as approved by the house, in future only life member will be enrolled and accordingly necessary amendment will be made in the bye-law.
- 2. Cut of date for enrolment of member-Secretary informed the house that as per the present condition in the Trust deed only in Accounts personnel working/retired who have joined on 0r before 31/12/2004 are only eligible to be members. In the last general body meeting Shri. Duraiarasan and Dakshinamoorty suggested to revise the date so that more number of young Accounts personnel will join in Trust it will be good for the Trust in the long run for the effective functioning. In the last AGB it was decided that it will be consider in the next AGB. i.e this General body meeting. Hence secretary called for suggestion from members.

Thomas suggested that the membership will be restricted upto 2004. Then only the Trust can be managed and controlled by the People who have contributed for the purchase of AFSOA house.

Govindaraj Salem: endorsed the view of Thomas.

Sankaran: He suggested to maintain status quo.

Munusamy suggested to revise the cut off date suitably so that new members can be enrolled and that is required to run the Trust successfully even after 10-15 years.

Arumugam vellore informed that restricting membership upto 2004 is not correct suggested for revising the cut off date.

Guruprasad/Selvaraj/Thulukanam suggested to admit all JAOs/i.e. both Direct Recruitment as well as promotees by removing cut-off date.

Santhakumar suggested to revise the cut off date but put some restriction/minimum no. of years to become Trustees for the new enrolment

P. Vaithyanathan remove the cut-off date and enrol more and more new members.

Duraiarasan/Balasubramanian suggested to consider fixing the cut-off date upto $31/12/2010\,$ Now we can enrol all JAOs viz., Direct Recruitment who have joined upt to $31/12/2010\,$

This was approved by the house with a condition i.e. for the new members enrolled after 10/8/2010, they will be eligible to contest for the Trustees after completion of 4 years.

3. It has been resolved to delete/remove the words "members of AFSOA & their family" wherever appears in the objective of the Trust.

For the smooth functioning of the Trust, Secretary proposed to have 3-4 Permanent Trust members which was not agreed to. Instead, the house approved delete/remove the present clause restricting the tenure of 2 terms to the trustees.

Then the election of new managing trustee/Secretary and trustees was taken up.

Shri R. Ramachandren and P. Vaithyanathan were asked to conduct the election. The following members have been elected as managing Trustee etc. Unanimously.

Managing Trustee : Shri. P. Santhakumar

Addl. Managing Trustee : Shri. C. Sathiamoorty

Secretary : Shri. K. Balasubramanian

Joint Secretaries : Shri. T.R.S Sriram

Shri. A. Thomas

Tresaurer : Shri. P.Mohan

Asst. Treasurer ; Shri. C. Arumugam

Trustees:

- 1. C. Duraiarasan
- 2. R.Guruprasad
- 3. A.Aravazhi
- 4. T.Udhayan
- 5. S. Rajasekaran
- 6. V. Dakshinamoorthy
- 7. K.Rajaram
- 8. M.Govindaraj
- 9. S.G. Jayaprakash
- 10.S.Sethu

Auditor: B. Sankaran

The following are the special invitees.

- 1. S/Shri. R.R. Ramasubramanian
- 2. P.Venugopal
- 3. G.Vasudevan
- 4. S.Adhinarayanan
- 5. V.P.Shanmugasundaram
- 6. Guruprasad (Vellore)
- 7. Munusamy
- 8. Ramasamy
- 9. N.V. chandrasekar
- 10. Rajagopalan
- 11.T.S. Nagarajan
- 12.C.P. Ravikumar
- 13. Angusamy
- 14. Ramakrishnan
- 15. Selvaraj
- 16.P.B Andavan
- 17.G. Joseph Xavier

In the evening Cash award function to meritorious plus two students of Greater Corporation Higher Secondary school. Sri P. Santhakumar welcomed the gathering.

Sri Duraiarasan, Sri V.P. Shanmugasuntharam, Sri K. Balasubramanian, Sri R. Ramachandran, Sri S. Venkatraman, Sri Pandurangan, Dr. Dhileepan S/o Sri Duraiarasan spoke on the occasion. All the speakers emphasised to develop discipline, hardwork and self confidence to become successful in their life.

78 Students from 25 Corporation Hr. Secondary school received the cash award and merit certificate. Sri R. Ramachandran, Sri R R Ramasubramanian, Sri M. Govindaraj, Sri Nagarajan and S. Venkatraman distributed the price money and merit certificate to the meritorious students.

S/Shri TRS Sriram, Sri Munusamy, Sri C.P. Ravikumar, Sri Aravazhi, Sri Udayan, Sri C. Satyamurthy and Sri Adhinarayanan played a very important role for the successful conduct of the function. They received the students and parents and made them to sit in an orderly manner which enabled us to complete the function in a very successful manner, which was appreciated by one and all.

The entire proceedings was compered by Sri R. Guruprasad. Meeting came to an end by vote of thanks by Sri S. Sethu.