



TANTEX Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Subject	TANTEX Executive Committee (EC) Meeting – March 2012		Date	03/04/2012
Meeting Chair	Geeta Dammanna, President of TANTEX			
Facilitator	Narasimha Reddy Urimindi, Secretary of TANTEX		Time	10:00 AM
Location	IANT Office, Richardson, TX			
Attendees	Ananth Mallavarapu	Rajeswari Jujaray		
	Balki Chamkura	Sirisha Bavireddy		
	Chinasatyam Veernapu	Subramanyam Jonnalagadda		
	Geeta Dammanna	Subhash Nelakanti		
	Indu Reddy Mandadi	Subhashini Pentakota		
	Jyothi Vanam	Suresh Manduva ((Excused Absence))		
	Krishnaveni Seelam	Vijay Mohan Kakarla		
	Krishna Reddy Uppalapati	Murthy Mulukutla		
	Mahesh Aditya Adibhatla			
	Narasimha Reddy Urimindi			
	NMS Reddy			
	Poorna Chandra Rao Vemulapalli			
	Raghu Chittimalla			
	Rajesh Chilukuri			

Key Points Discussed		
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1	Previous EC meeting minutes: Review & Approval	Raghu Chittimalla proposed and Mahesh Aditya Adibhatla seconded the March 4th meeting minutes with the following changes
2	Update on General Body Petition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geeta Dammanna provided an update on the general body petition and the related activities after her meeting with the members of the Board of Trustees. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ EC team is aware of the petition from some life members to call for a special general body meeting ○ The Election Committee provided a detailed response to each of the allegations made in the petition. This response from the election committee is driven by an email from one of the life members asking for clarification to the allegations circulated in the community which are same as those found in the petition ○ A number of life members who signed the petition withdrew their support quoting that they are satisfied with the response from the Election Commission. ○ As a result of a number of signature withdrawals the total # of signatures required fell below 25% pending final validation. ○ Several members of EC team questioned the President's approach to go to BOT for decision without involving EC members. ○ Geeta Dammanna clarified to the team that bylaws do not provide adequate guidance in situations such as this and also because of the conflict of interest to take the matter to EC, she used President's executive power to seek BOT guidance and referred the matter to BOTs. ○ BOT members decided to have an independent legal opinion on this issue and Geeta Dammanna has confirmed the appointment with the attorney for the following Monday ○ Per Chinasatyam Veernapu, Membership & Registration Chair, there were 725 life member families and 9 single members as of the petition date, i.e. Feb 17th 2012. 365 valid signatures are required for the general body, to satisfy the 25% requirement. Total signatures in the petition 434. After removing duplications there are 416 valid signatures. Approximately 60 people withdrew their signatures from the petition. ○ EC proposed to communicate the list of members who

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		<p>signed the petition and also those who withdrew the petition.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Some of the EC members felt that secondary validation of the signatures is required. Raghu Chittimalla proposed the motion to validate the signatures and is seconded by Chinasatyam Veernapu○

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3	Update on Ugaadi Utsavaalu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mahesh Adibhatla, the Cultural Committee Chair provided an update on a series of approaches to finalize the external entertainment team. • Mahesh Received 15 or so cultural entries and need to consider those pending confirmation from external artists • Mayuri will be the food caterer for Ugaadi Utsavaalu-2012 • Thomas Jefferson High School has been blocked as the venue for the event • Rajesh Chilukuri suggested to approach the event organizers for possible options to minimize the effort level by the EC team
4	Open Items (If time permits and with President's approval)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geeta Dammanna initiated a dialogue with Silicon Andhra's Manabadi to collaborate on training Telugu spoken language to Children. She distributed copies of the tentative proposal from Manabadi to collaborate with TANTEX on spoken Telugu for kids. Geeta Dammanna requested the EC members to take up to a week to respond to the proposal. Geeta Dammanna to circulate the soft copy of the proposal to the EC team. • NMS Reddy, Ananth Mallavarapu, Subramanyam Jonnalagadda, Balki Chamkura and Jyothi Vanam volunteered to be part of the team to discuss with the local school districts to find out the requirements to introduce Telugu language • DFW Hindu Temple requested TANTEX to support their Holi Anand Bazar on 3/11 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. It requires TANTEX to manage a table to sell food and to return the proceeds to the Temple. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Subhash Nelakanti to coordinate with the Spoorthi team. • Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) document to be lead by Murthy Mulukutla • Raghu Chittimalla updated the team about the need to activate the new website. It was mentioned that \$1500 budget approved in 2010 and \$500 is leftover from it. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Geeta Dammanna said if there is any leftover budget we could use it for web. • Krishna Reddy Uppalapati requested the criteria how we decide to collaborate with non-profit organizations. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Geeta Dammanna said we should dial into the SOPs • Subhash Nelakanti questioned if Silver Jubilee donors should deduct ticket price before claiming tax exemption for their donation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Geeta Dammanna suggested to provide a receipt to all the cash donations. • Geeta Dammanna updated the team that checks with double signature provision were ordered and received (President & Treasurer) for issuing checks over \$1000. She also mentioned

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		<p>about printing checks with two signatures..</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NMS Reddy suggested that TANTEX should by Insurance for the organization in the event if any of the GOB members are sued. NMS to take the initiative to get the insurance details. • NMS Reddy suggested to arrange the sponsors logos in the flyers according to the alphabetical order from left to right • TANTEX should provide receipts to all the cash payments at the events. Membership & Registration Chair Satyam Veernapu to buy the receipt book and the associated TANTEX stamp. • Subramanyam Jonnalagadda invited the EC team to attend the upcoming 28th Texas Sahitya Vedika and the 56th Nela Nela Telugu Vennela joint program scheduled for 3/17. "Jamta Kavula ashtaavadhaanam" is the highlight of the event. Seeking sponsors to meet the costs. TANA has agreed to provide the venue. • Rajesh Chilukuri questioned why we cannot allow other organizations to participate as sponsors for the upcoming NNTV event. Subramanyam Jonnalagadda said any organization can join as event sponsor • Narasimha Reddy Urimindi circulated a list of TANTEX volunteers willing to serve in the 2012 sub-committees. On a different note he requested the EC to communicate to all the potential host organizations to remove their own sponsor ADs in the flyer in order for distribution to the member community
7	Meeting Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 1:45 PM by the Chair, Geeta Dammanna

Action Plan

No.	Action Item(s)	Owner	Target Date
1.	Work with local schools to understand the requirements to introduce Telugu language	Ananth Mallavarapu Balki Chamkura Jyothi Vanam NMS Reddy Subramanyam Jonnalagadda	4/30/2012
2	Obtain the details of the Insurance for Members of TANTEX GOB team	NMS Reddy	4/30/2012

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