

**Minutes of the Virtual Annual General Meeting of the Urological Society of India, West Zone  
held on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020.**

**1. Roll Call:**

Website manager was asked to record the entire Virtual annual general meeting of USIWZ. Only Full members of the USIWZ were given an access to the link and record was maintained of members who logged in for the meeting.

**2. Welcome address by President:** Dr. Lalit Shah, President USIWZ addressed all logged in members of the society by warm greetings. He conveyed best wishes for safe stay and healthy life for members and their family. He expressed his concerns about not being able to conduct physical meeting due to Pandemic and government guidelines. He along with entire council were looking forward to organizing conference at GOA and tried to postpone the meeting to December 2020, but, safety of the members and their family was always a top priority, so, decided to go ahead with the virtual conference with limited agenda. He congratulated executive council and all members for their participation in the first ever Limited Agenda Virtual Annual conference of the society. He also expressed his satisfaction about the E-voting and Election being conducted for the executive council posts of USIWZ.

**3. Obituary:** The Secretary had received information about the three members of the Society who lost their life during the year. Dr. Pankaj Chaudhary from Dombivali, Mumbai due to COVID, Dr. Hastak from Jabalpur due to Cardiac event and Dr. Rakesh Vyas from Patan, Gujarat, again due to COVID. Dr. Prashant Mulawkar informed the house about the sad demise of Dr. Nilesh Rangnekar from Mumbai due to cardiac event. The house observed one minute silence to pay respect to the departed souls.

**4. Approval of the Agenda:** Agenda of the AGM was already circulated to all the members well in advance and it was approved unanimously.

**5. Minutes of the last AGM 2019 conducted at Rajkot:** Minutes of the last AGM were circulated to all members. House was informed to report any matters arising out the minutes. There were no matters reported and the minutes of previous AGM were proposed as passed by Dr. Prashant Mulawkar and seconded by Dr. Kandarp Parikh.

**6. Honorary Secretary's report:** Dr. Ajay Bhandarkar, Hon. Secretary informed all members about the activities done in the entire year. Detailed report has already been circulated by email to every member and published in the last Newsletter. He congratulated organizers of the the WZUSICON 2019 for appreciation received from many members of the society. He informed house that, planning for the WZUSICON 2020 Goa had started long back and USIWZ council had prepared enthusiastically for the conference. Three USIWZ supported academic activities were planned during the year. "LEGACON 2020" organized under the leadership of our President Dr. Lalit Shah was the only physical meeting conducted on 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2020. It was a huge success by active participation from every member of Chhattisgarh Urology society and local specialities. After the Covid19 Pandemic from April, 2020, academic activities were planned as online meetings. CISCO WebEx Platform was subscribed. Due to uncertainties and prevailing conditions, decision to conduct physical meeting WZUSICON 2020 at Goa was postponed to September,2020. As constitution was already amended to conduct

e-voting for Executive posts of USIWZ in the previous AGM, planning for online elections was done by the council and membership data was amended with necessary details. Online council meetings were conducted in June,2020, September,2020 and October, 2020. Planning of Virtual WZUSICON 2020 to be conducted on 31<sup>st</sup> October and 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2020, was finalized by council. Planning and execution of Online registration for e-voting was done with all precautions by Election officer, Dr. Anil Bradoo. Electronic voting for registered full members was conducted from 26<sup>th</sup> October to 31<sup>st</sup> October,2020.

- 7.** The Treasurer, Dr. Suhaas Salpekar made presentation of his report for the members. He showed current bank balance in both accounts and provisional audited report by our auditors for the financial year 2019-2020. He informed the house that, due to Covid19 pandemic, certain details for finalizing audited accounts were pending.
- 8.** Mr. Chhajed and associates were appointed as Auditors for the year, 2020-21. Their name was proposed by the Secretary Dr. Ajay Bhandarkar and seconded by Dr. Kirpekar.
- 9.** Dr. Salpekar informed the house about the approval of the new members and trainee members as per the list submitted.
- 10.** WZUSICON 2021 is to be conducted at Goa with status of registration, hotel bookings and GST etc. can be carried forward as per the advice of the auditors. New executive council shall take all the decisions about the dates of WZUSICON 2021 as per the conditions and government guidelines.
- 11.** WZUSICON 2022 shall be held at Nasik, Maharashtra, as it was already discussed and approved in the previous AGM at Rajkot.
- 12.** Amendments in the existing USIWZ constitution were proposed and discussed in the executive council meeting. These amendments were circulated to all the members and published in the newsletter too. It was proposed to create posts of “The Secretary Elect” and “The Treasurer Elect” from the year 2020-21. The secretary Elect and The treasurer elect shall join the council after their election for one year and take over as The Secretary and The Treasurer after one year. No candidate shall be allowed to contest for the same post again. The constitutional amendments were passed in AGM. It was proposed by Dr. Sanjay Nabar and seconded by Dr. Sabnis.
- 13.** There was only one letter received from member, Dr. Wankhede, who had some complaints about the instrument/machine purchased from the Instrument company. USIWZ society or the council does not have “Grievance Cell” officially. Only our parent body USI has that cell, which concerned members can approach. Executive council member or any senior colleague can always mediate/help our member to find amicable solution.
- 14.** The president and Secretary recognized the services provided by all outgoing council members for their dedication and help in the matters of USIWZ.
- 15.** While the President was occupied in the formalities of Online election result analysis, Dr. Ajay Bhandarkar, Hon. Secretary handled the meeting and any other points from members were discussed. Dr. Kandarp Parikh raised the concern as a member of USIWZ and organizing secretary of USICON 2021, for the venue of USICON2022. USI council was planning to shift the venue to North Zone at NEW DELHI. USICON2021 was considered as Virtual conference and USIWZ venue, Ahmedabad’s turn was being considered as

over. USIWZ Council had already debated this point. Representatives of USIWZ to USI council and USIWZ president, Dr. Lalit Shah, were in constant touch with USI executive council. Newly elected council of USIWZ and every member of USIWZ shall be in support and favor of Gujarat Urological Association to host the next meeting. This issue was very sensitive and needs to be handled carefully as no injustice occurs to our zone, at the same time, there should not be any rift or rivalry between two zones of USI, our parent body.

16. Election officer, Dr. Anil Bradoo announced the results of the online elections conducted by USIWZ. Following members were declared elected:

- Dr. Jaikishan Lalmalani as, the President Elect
- Dr. Prashant Mulawkar, as the Honorary Secretary
- Dr. Aashish Patil, as The honorary Treasurer
- Dr. Ajit Sawant, as Executive council member
- Dr. Sadashiv Bhole, as Executive Council member
- Dr. Arvind Ganpule, as Executive council member.

17. Dr. Lalit Shah, thanked entire council for their support during the difficult times. Handing over the presidential responsibilities generally conducted in the valedictory functions, but he is performing this duty virtually. He invited Dr. Anil Bradoo to say few words as The President of USIWZ year 2020-21. DR. ANIL BRADOO expressed his joy to take over as the President because, 30 years back, he was a resident in Urology, when USIWZ was formed in 1991. He promised to take care of all suggestions from the members and council for taking USIWZ further.

18. The AGM was concluded with formal vote of thanks from the outgoing secretary. Past President Dr. Hemant Pathak also conveyed his sincere gratitude to the outgoing council for the excellent work done in last two years and congratulated incoming enthusiastic new council to take over the reins of USIWZ.

Dr. Ajay Bhandarkar  
Hon. Secretary, USIWZ(2018-2020)