

**NAPA Executive Committee**  
**(Minute – 7<sup>th</sup> EC Meeting)**  
Sunday, November 24, 2019 (8:00 pm CST)

**Attendance**

<b>Executive Committee</b>	Lila B. Karki, Megha N. Parajulee, Pradeep Wagle, Ananta Acharya, Sanjok Poudel, Manoj Karkee, Bijesh Mishra, Nirmala Adhikari (late)
<b>Informed in absentia</b>	Kemika Bhandari
<b>Uninformed in absentia</b>	Romy Das Karna, Lila K. Khatiwada

**Agenda:**

**1. House Keeping – General Secretary**

General Secretary hosted the meeting and requested president to initiate the meeting.

**2. Welcome/Initiation of the meeting and some updates on NAPA activities – President**

-President welcomed participants and initiated the meeting.

-President shared Happy Thanksgiving and wished good health to everyone. Also thanked for the continued contribution and functional help to expand NAPA.

**3. Updates/Discussions:**

Following updates were made on different on-going programs/activities.

• **Election commission**

President proposed Dr. Prakash Malla as a Chief Commissioner of Election Commission.

The EC discussed several names and approved his name unanimously for the post of Chief Commissioner of Election Commission. Chief Commissioner can appoint two commissioners in consultation with NAPA EC.

• **2020 Conference**

Conference Committee Chair and NAPA President shared some updates on 2020 conference:

- Program flyers, brochures, and banners have been printed.
- Interactions with various sub-committees are continued.
- Requested all EC officials to contribute from all perspectives (e.g., time, monetary support, scientific contribution by submitting abstracts, bringing positive thoughts)
- Online abstract submission portal (google form) has been developed and shared the links with NAPA community and shared via Facebook and emails.
- President and General Secretary updated progress on the fund raising efforts (e.g., writing proposals for grants, contacting different industries and institutions/organizations for donations, seeking donations from NAPA members and beyond). Details on fund raising strategies will be shared soon. They also requested EC members to promote for conference activities and abstract submission in all possible ways.

- Scientific committee chair Dr. Manoj Karkee briefly updated the status of abstract submission. He will verify the total number of abstract submission so far with the conference secretary upon his arrival from Nepal next week.

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**Executive Committee**

**President**

Dr. Lila B. Karki

**Vice President**

Dr. Megha N. Parajulee

**General Secretary**

Dr. Pradeep Wagle

**Joint Secretary**

Dr. Ananta Acharya

**Treasurer**

Dr. Nirmala Adhikari

**Members**

Ms. Kemika Bhandari

Dr. Romy Das Karna

Dr. Lila K. Khatiwada

Dr. Manoj Karkee

Mr. Sanjok Poudel

Mr. Bijesh Mishra

- **NAPA Day 2020**

President proposed Ambika Tiwari as the Chair of NAPA Day 2020. The meeting unanimously approved her name as she had successfully led NAPA Day 2019. She is willing to lead again in 2020. NAPA Day 2020 will be observed on Jan 6, 2020. Details on NAPA Day celebration will be shared soon.

- **Advisory Council Member**

President proposed Prof. Dr. Dainik Bahadur Nepali (Associate Life Member from Nepal) as a new member for NAPA's advisory council. The committee unanimously approved his name.

- **Membership updates**

Membership Drive Committee (MDC) Chair and NAPA General Secretary updated membership status as of November 24, 2019.

We had 321 members in our last meeting (September 8, 2019). Now we have 18 more since last meeting. Total members are 339 now.

Table 1: People joining NAPA as per membership category

<b>Member categories</b>	<b>Numbers</b>
Founding Life	5
Regular + Senior Life	62
Joint Life	2
Associate Life (Australia)	1
Associate Life (Nepal)	42
Associate International (Australia)	2
General/Regular	64
Student	148
Family/Joint	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>339</b>

- **Condolence of the deceased NAPA Member**

EC passed consolation and obituary for untimely death of Associate Life Member, Dr. Laxmi Narayan Prasad Shah from Nepal, on October 24, 2019 at the age of 58. Lately, he was providing consulting services as a freelance consultant. Policy for publishing obituary in local newspapers was also discussed.

#### **4. Any other business (AOB): Miscellaneous:**

Book and Journal projects are progressing well. Book project is in language editing phase. Four journal articles are being ready to upload within a week. Additional papers are being processed and few of them are almost near final stage for publication. More articles will be uploaded to the journal website (<https://gjaas.org/index.php/GJAAS>) on a continual basis when they are ready for publication.

Due to travel and joined at the end of meeting, Treasurer did not report financial updates at the meeting. She will be sharing financial updates at the end of November with EC via Email.

#### **5. Closing Remarks:**

Dr. Parajulee adjourned the meeting.