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Minutes of the 234th Meeting of the Executive Council held on March, 29 1999 at 5.30 p.m. in the Conference Hall of the Institute

PRESENT

1. Shri S.B. Chavan - Chairman
2. Prof. Mohit Bhattacharya
3. Prof.(Dr.) P. Chandrasekharan
4. Shri T.N. Chaturvedi
5. Dr. K. Chockalingam
6. Shri M.K. Gaur
7. Shri G.C.L. Joneja
8. Prof. J.C. Kapur
9. Shri K. Malaisamy
10. Shri B.C. Mathur
11. Dr. V.T. Patil
12. Prof. M.M. Puri
13. Shri S. Ramanathan
14. Dr. Agarala Eswara Reddi
15. Prof. R.K. Sachdeva
16. Shri P.A.Sangma
17. Prof.(Mrs.) S. Saroja
18. Shri Kewal K. Sethi
19. Dr. (Mrs.) Y. Shanmugasundaram
20. Shri S.S. Singhania
21. Dr. S. Subramanian
22. Dr. V. Subramanian
23. Shri T.K. Thanickachalam
24. Dr. H. Thansanga
25. Shri M. Thyagarajan
26. Prof. S.P. Verma
27. Shri M.C. Gupta - Director & Member-Secretary

Dr. S.N. Suri, Registrar, was also present.

Shri V. Aivalli, Prof. (Mrs.) Noorjahan Bava, Shri Arun Bhatnagar, Prof. K. Kamalanathan, Shri M.K. Kaw, Shri M. Gopalkrishna Naidu, Shri Ashok Nath, Dr. V. Shanmugasundaram and Shri B.B. Tandon could not attend the meeting and were granted leave of absence.

The Executive Council at the outset congratulated Shri K. Malaisamy on his being elected to the Lok Sabha and Prof. P. Chandrasekharan for ~~being awarded the~~ receipt of the Padma Bhushan award.

Item No.234.1 (i) Confirmation of the Minutes of the 232nd and 233rd meetings of the Executive Council held on 29th & 30th October, 1999, respectively.

The Executive Council agreed to the observation of a member that the item on Admission of New Members listed under 'Any other business', should be taken separately instead of a sub-item as contained in the minutes circulated. ~~member~~ was suggested that, in future, terms and conditions of appointment of the Director should form part of the minutes.

The minutes thereafter were confirmed.

(ii) Action Taken on the Minutes referred to above.

While taking note on the action taken on the minutes of the previous meeting, some members observed on the proposal of Prof.(Mrs.) Noorjahan Bava for revival of Masters' Diploma in Public Administration that the Institute's priority should be to attain the status of a Deemed University or Institute of National Importance. While the academic studies at the Universities are confined only to the theoretical aspects in the discipline of public administration, the Institute provides a forum for both theory and practice of public administration. As such, our endeavour should be to diversify into areas of Public Administration hitherto uncovered and this could be facilitated if the Institute attains the status of a Deemed University. It could then devise its own programmes and attain an academic identity of its own. The Executive Council felt that the Committee earlier constituted to look into the question of the Institute attaining the status of a Deemed University may study the implications of the proposal in the context of the Institute's Charter. The Council further desired that the feasibility of introducing a Long-term Programme on 'Information Technology and Public Administration' may be studied without linking it with the issue of Deemed University. While examining the possibility of launching the new I.T. course, the status and experience of the present ITM programme may also be reviewed.

While on Action Taken on the minutes of earlier meeting, as recommended by the Standing Committee, the Chairman agreed to constitute a small Committee to look into issues related to the Seniority of Teachers and also the other Service Conditions notified for faculty by the UGC.

Item No.234.2 (i) Subjects for (i) The Annual Essay Prize Competition 2000, (ii) Members' Annual Conference 2000 and (iii) Special Number of IJPA (July-Sept.2000).

The Executive Council approved the following subjects, after taking into consideration the recommendations in this regard of the Academic Committee, Standing Committee and the Editorial Board (for Special Issue of IJPA):

Annual Essay Prize Competition 2000

i) Terrorism : Administrative Response
ii) Education Administration in India
iii) Convergence of Delivery System in Rural Areas

Members' Annual Conference 2000

Review of Indian Constitution

Special Issue of IJPA (July-Sept.2000)

Information Technology and Its Impact on Public Administration

The Executive Council further desired that the focus of the subjects selected may be clarified and elaborated through the Newsletter.

(ii) Appointment of Judges for the Annual Essay Prize Competition, 2000.

The Executive Council agreed with the recommendations of the Standing Committee that the names of Judges may be finalised as usual by the Director in consultation with the Chairman, Standing Committee.

Item No.234.3 Dates for the Annual General Meeting of the General Body and Members' Annual Conference.

The Executive Council agreed that as recommended by the Standing Committee, the Annual General Meeting of the General Body and the Members'

Annual Conference may be convened on October 14 and 15, 2000 or October 21 and 22, 2000, respectively, subject to the convenience of the President and the Chairman of the Institute.

Item No.234.4 Draft Agenda for the Annual General Meeting of the General Body.

The Executive Council approved the Draft Agenda of the Annual General Meeting of the General Body, as recommended by the Standing Committee.

Item No.234.5 Schedule for IIPA Executive Council Elections 2000-2004.

The Executive Council approved the following Election schedule drawn up in accordance with the Election Bye-laws of the Institute and recommended by the Standing Committee.

ELECTION SCHEDULE 2000
(As per the Election Byelaws)

DATE(S)	PROPOSED EVENTS
I. April & May, 2000 Issues of the IIPA Monthly Newsletter	I. Release of Election Notification
II. 20th July, 2000 (Thursday)	II. Last date for receipt of Nomination Papers
III. 20th July, 2000 (Thursday, 5.30 P.M.)	III. Opening of the Nomination Papers and notifying nominations received
IV. 25th July, 2000 (Tuesday)	IV. Last date for withdrawal of Nomination Papers
V. 26th July, 2000 (Wednesday)	V. Scrutiny of Nomination Papers
VI. 9th to 12th August, 2000 (Wednesday to Saturday)	VI. Despatch of Ballot Papers
VII. 15th September, 2000 (Friday 5.30 P.M.)	VII. Last Date for Receipt of Ballot Papers
VIII. 18th September, 2000 (Monday 10.00 A.M.)	VIII. Counting of Votes and declaration of results

In response to an observation made by some members, the Executive Council desired that the Director may examine the possibility of reviving the practice of providing a list of ballot papers received, to the candidates or their Agents, at the time of counting of votes.

Item No.234.6 Formation of IIPA Visakhapatnam Local Branch.

The Executive Council approved the formation of a Local Branch at Visakhapatnam.

The question of according approval to the formation of a Local Branch at Indore also came up for discussion and the Executive Council desired that the matter may be put up for its consideration after receiving a No Objection Certificate from the Madhya Pradesh Regional Branch.

Item No.234.7 (i) Revival of IIPA Meerut Local Branch.

(ii) Closure of Pondicherry Regional Branch, Virudhunagar Local Branch, Dindigul Local Branch and Thanjavur Local Branch.

The Executive Council approved the revival of IIPA Meerut Local Branch as recommended by the Standing Committee. As regards the proposal to the closure of Pondicherry Regional Branch, Virudhunagar Local Branch, Dindigul Local Branch and Thanjavur Local Branch, the Executive Council agreed that in view of efforts being made by Dr. V.T. Patil to revive Pondicherry Regional Branch and by Shri K. Malaisamy to activate Virudhunagar, Dindigual and Thanjavur Local Branches, a view in the matter could be taken in its next meeting. The Executive Council thanked Dr. Patil and Shri Malaisamy for offering their good offices for the purpose.

Item No.234.8 Counting of past service of Prof. A.K. Sharma.

The Executive Council approved the counting of past service of Prof. A.K. Sharma as he fulfills the requirements of mobility rules.

Item No.234.9 Extension of tenure of present Registrar.

The Executive Council approved the recommendation of the Standing Committee that the tenure of present incumbent, Dr. S.N. Suri, may be renewed till he attains the age of 62 years, i.e. upto April, 2003, on the existing terms and conditions.

(Dr. Suri withdrew from the meeting when the item came up for consideration.)

Item No.234.10 Extension of Probation beyond two years in respect of Dr. Dolly Arora, Reader in Govt. and Politics.

The Executive Council approved the extension of probation period of Dr. (Ms.) Dolly Arora upto 31st May, 2000 i.e. a total period of two years and six months.

Item No.234.11 Items to Report:

(i) Visit of Prof.V.K. Sharma to U.S.A. and Canada.

Noted.

(ii) Visit of Dr. R.K. Barik to Japan.

Noted.

(iii) Recommendation of the Selection Committee on placement of Administrative Staff in the next higher scale of pay of Rs.8000-275-13500 under the Time Bound Personal Promotion Scheme.

Noted.

(iv) Joining of Dr.Tushar Kanti Saha, Reader.

Noted.

(v) Sale of existing lift of IIPA.

Noted.

Item No.234.12 Any other business with the permission of the Chairman.

(i) Resume of the Academic Activities for the period Oct., 1999 to March, 2000 and the Achievements of IIPA during the last three years (April 1997-March 2000).

Noted.

(ii) Transfer of Funds to "Infrastructure Development Fund".

Noted.

(iii) Draft replies to the observations of audit carried out by DGACR for the period 1.4.1996 to 31.3.1998.

Noted.

(iv) Public Interest Litigation filed by two faculty members.

Noted.

Item No.234.13 Admission of New Members.

The Director informed that the above item could not be taken up in the meeting of the Standing Committee held prior to the Executive Council meeting because of lack of time. The Council took note of the admission of new members whose applications were received during the period 28.8.1999 to 27.10.1999 and approved by the Chairman, Standing Committee.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(S.B. CHAVAN)
CHAIRMAN

(M.C. GUPTA)
DIRECTOR &
MEMBER-SECRETARY