

Indian Institutes of Technology Alumni Victoria

AGM 2019

19 May 2019

AGM Agenda



- Welcome, Apologies and Proxies.
- Approve minutes of 2018 AGM.
- President's and Treasurer's Annual Report 2018-19.
- Nominations and Elections for 2019–20 Management Committee.
- Welcome and hand-over to the 2019-20 Management Committee.
- Open discussion on way forward.

Welcome, apologies and proxies



- Apologies:
 - Mr Arun Kumar
 - Mr Ravi Singh
 - Dr Bala Kumble
 - Dr Meenakshi Arora
 - Mr Satish Verma
- Proxies:
 - There are no proxies

Approve minutes of 2018 AGM



Meeting:	Annual General Meeting, May 2018
Date:	27 th May 2018, 3.00PM – 5.00PM AEST
Venue:	Glen Waverley Bowls Club, 690 Waverley Road, Glen Waverley 3150 Victoria
Attendees:	Ajay Mehta, Ashok Sharma, Bala Kumble, Dilip Desai, Divakar Prasad, Harvinder Giddey, Krishna S Chandran, Mukesh Soni, Nikhil Kumar, Rachana Kaudinya, Rahul Chibber, Raj RajaKumar, Ravi Singh, Sarbjit Giddey, Sridhar Karuppasami, Sunny Chandra, Surinder Lamba, Tushar Sikroria, Vipin Gaindhar
Apologies:	Abaran Deep, Arun Kumar, Bigi Varghese Philip, Madur Chand, Jagriti Singh, Satish Varma, Sanjiv Bhasin, Meenakshi Arora
Proxies:	Rajasekhar Ravi (Sridhar), Yogendhra Vashishtha (Sarbjit Giddey)

Approve minutes of 2018 AGM (continue)



Item	Discussion / Action / Decision
1. Welcome, apologies and proxies	IITaV Secretary, Dr Sridhar Karuppasami, welcomed the attendees and presented the Agenda. The list of attendees, apologies and proxies are as noted above.
2. Minutes of 2017 AGM	In future AGM's including AGM 2018, its accepted to send the MoM draft to the attendees for review. Subsequently discuss and include changes suggested if appropriate and then circulate it to all members. Acceptance of Minutes of AGM 2017, circulated previously with the notice of AGM, was proposed by Dr Bala Kumble, seconded by Mr Surinder Lamba and approved unanimously.

Approve minutes of 2018 AGM (continue)

3. President's Annual Report

- ⌚ IITaV President, Mr Nikhil Kumar presented the President's Annual Report for the year 2017-18, covering
- ⌚ Objectives of IITaV that guided the Management Committee;
- ⌚ Summary of events held during the period –
 - While the attendance in social events is good, he highlighted the need of encouraging attendance in our professional events.
- ⌚ Membership status for 2017 as of 30th April 2017.
 - 51 Annual Members
 - 27 Associate Members
 - 3 Corporate Members
- ⌚ Drop in Annual Membership need to be addressed
- ⌚ It was suggested to put advertisements in the local newspapers for IITaV
- ⌚ Acknowledged the efforts of the Management Committee members, their family and all members for their contribution.
- ⌚ Acceptance of the President's report was proposed by Dr Raj Rajakumar, Seconded by Mr Surinder Lamba and approved unanimously.

Approve minutes of 2018 AGM (continue)



4. Treasurer's Annual Report

- ⌚ IITaV Treasurer Rachana Kaudinya presented the summary of IITaV finances. Thanks to Dr ArunKumar and Mr Surinder Lamba for performing the internal audit. IITaV has a cash reserve (including liability) of 15178.20 AUD. The available surplus is 11778.20 and the liability of Membership is 3400 AUD.
- ⌚ Acceptance of the Treasurer's report was proposed by Mr Ravi Singh, seconded by Mr Sunny Chandra and approved unanimously.

Approve minutes of 2018 AGM (continue)

5. Nominations/ Elections of 2018-19 Management Committee

- ⌚ Nominations received for the Management Committee 2018-19 were tabled by the President Mr Nikhil Kumar. There was one nomination for each of the President, Vice President, Treasurer and the Secretary positions and four nominations for the five Committee Member positions. These were unanimously approved as elected by the members.
- ⌚ For the last Committee Member position, Mr Nikhil Kumar proposed Mr Ravi Rajasekhar, who was seconded by Dr Sarbjit Giddey. Dr.Sridhar Karuppasami acted as a proxy for Mr Ravi Rajasekhar and accepted his nomination.
- ⌚ The elected members of the 2018-19 Management Committee are:
 - President – Dr Sarbjit Giddey; Vice President – Dr Ashok Sharma
 - Treasurer – Mr Divakar Prasad; Secretary – Dr Sridhar Karuppasami
 - Committee Members - Dr Bala Kumble, Mr Sanjiv Bhasin, Dr Meenakshi Arora,
Dr Yogendra Vashishtha, Mr Ravi Rajasekhar
- ⌚ Student representative Krishna S Chandran will continue to represent students in IITaV Committee.
- ⌚ President of IITaV 2018-19, Dr Sabrjit Giddey thanked Mr Nikhil Kumar, Dr Dilip Desai and Dr Rachana Kaudinya for their contribution and honoured them with a token of appreciation.

Approve minutes of 2018 AGM (continue)

6. Open discussion on way forward

- ⌚ Dr Sarbjit Giddey facilitated a brief discussion about the focus areas of 2018-19.
- ⌚ Dr Raj Rajakumar suggested to promote the “Subsidy” provided by IITaV to its Members. He also wanted the Committee to consider the addition of a student/Associate member from Swinburne University of Technology to participate in the IITAV Committee meetings similar to the current arrangement with the University of Melbourne, noting that both organisations are Corporate members of IITAV.
- ⌚ Noting the healthy financial situation of IITAV as presented in the Treasurer's report, consideration should be given to use some of the funds to achieve impact for IITAV. One option, as an example, is to make an award or two (total of say \$1000) for the best thesis submitted by an IIT student who is pursuing a post graduate degree in/jointly with an Australian university. Appropriate criteria for the award to be developed by the Management Committee.
- ⌚ It was also suggested to find sponsorship for the IITaV events.
- ⌚ Also, look out for the Government funding as long as it fits into IITaV Charter. Further the Charter could be revised to allow the change in our Membership profile.
- ⌚ Founder/Previous Committee Members are welcomed to attend the future Committee Meetings.
- ⌚ Engagement with several organizations like Engineers Australia/Australian Computer Society need to be pursued.
- ⌚ Need for regular meetings with our Corporate Members is highlighted.
- ⌚ Mr Sunny Chandra offered his support to IITaV by expressing his desire to provide free one hour consultation on immigration for IITaV full members who are pursuing full-time studies.
- ⌚ It was suggested to promote IITaV brand by participating in events organized by other social organizations.

President's Annual Report 2018-19



IITaV strategic objectives:

- Establish and enhance IIT brand equity in Australia
- Promote professional networking with business, academia and government
- Promote and assist with professional development of members (mentoring)
- Strengthen business, academic and political relationships between Australia and India
- Develop and promote the welfare of members
- Promote social interaction between members

President's Annual Report 2018-19



Major focus :

- Promote social interactions between members
- Promote professional networking with Academia
- Professional development of members - mentorship program for students
- Work with organisations like banks to explore ways of sponsoring our activities
- Organise Outdoor Events
- Grow Membership

President's Annual Report 2018-19



IITaV events and participation during 2018-19:

1. Post PhD Opportunities in Australia – Professional Development of Associate Members, UOM (Aug. 2018)
2. CPR Training Program with Red Cross (Sept. 2018)
3. Visiting Wind Tunnel Facility at Monash University, Clayton (Oct. 2018)
4. Diwali Dinner @ Lincoln of Toorak (Nov. 2018)
5. Picnic @ Jells Park (Jan. 2019)
6. Coal: Past Present and Future by Dr R.P. Gupta, IIT Kharagpur (Feb. 2019)
7. Holi Hungama at Wilson Botanic Park, Berwick (March 2019)
8. Scale up the Business with ease" by Sameer Babbar, UOM (April 2019)

IITaV events during 2018-19

Members participated in a professional development event organised by I2G group of UOM - Post PhD Opportunities in Australia (Aug 2018)

- Four committee members and an alumni member delivered talks.
- The topics covered by the speakers were on entrepreneurship, industrial opportunities, post-doctoral fellowships and the visa process to settle in Australia.
- Around 65 people including students attended this event.



IITaV events during 2018-19

CPR Training Program with Red Cross (Sept. 2018)

- Held at the Red Cross headquarters in the city
- Around 20 IITaV Members attended this event.
- 50% of the cost for 10 students sponsored by Hemant Govekar Foundation for the cause of water safety awareness



IITaV events during 2018-19

Visit to Wind Tunnel Facility at Monash University, Clayton (Oct. 2018)

- It is a multi-purpose aerodynamic test facility for vehicle development, UAV, water sports and wind energy.
- This is a largest such facility in southern hemisphere.
- Around 40 IITaV Members and families attended this event.



IITaV events during 2018-19

Diwali Dinner @ Lincoln of Toorak (Nov. 2018)

- Diwali was celebrated this year at one of the Melbourne's finest and elegant venue Lincoln of Toorak.
- The event was fun filled with a range of entertainments – dances, songs, stand-up comedy and games.
- We had three sponsors for this event - Westpac, ATMC and Central Equity .
- Around 125 IITaV Members, families and guests attended this event.



IITaV events during 2018-19

Picnic @ Jells Park (Jan. 2019)

- The start of new year was celebrated by having a picnic at Jells Park in Glen Waverley.
- Around 40 IITaV Members, families and guests attended this event.
- Everyone had a good time, by enjoying food, playing cricket or walking around the beautiful lake.



IITaV events during 2018-19

Coal: Past Present and Future by Dr R.P. Gupta, IIT Kharagpur (Feb. 2019)

- The event was held at CSIRO Clayton and was broadcast via webinar to audience from other states. .
- Around 30 IITaV members, staff from CSIRO and Monash University, and students attended this event.
- Audience showed a great interest in a wide range of fossil fuels to renewable based energy technologies.



IITaV events during 2018-19



Holi Hungama (March 2019)

- The event was held at the Wilson Botanic Park, Berwick with picturesque lake view setting & floral blooms.
- The food was provided by Babuji, Melbourne's top reviewed caterer.
- Around 60 IITaV Members, families and guests attended this event.



IITaV events during 2018-19

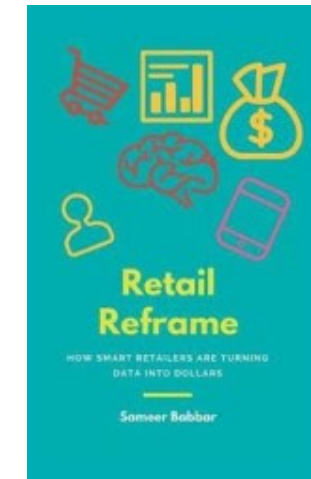
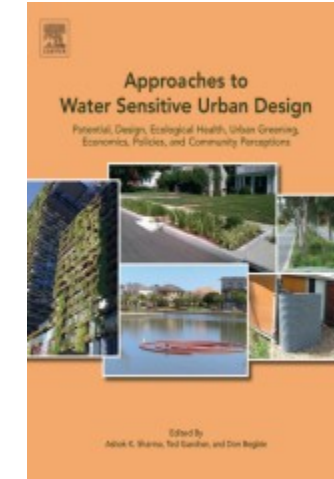
“Scale up the Business with ease” by Sameer Babbar (April 2019)

- The event was held at UOM.
- Sameer provided insight on how to leverage information already available from free sources to make a successful business.
- This was a an interactive talk with lots of questions on how to grow, value-add and establish business in Australia.
- Around 20 people from a wide spectrum of background – entrepreneurs to academicians attended this event.



IITaV members achievements during 2018-19

- IITaV Vice President Dr Ashok Sharma has recently edited a book with other co-editors on “Approaches to Water Sensitive Urban Design” published by Elsevier. It is a comprehensive reference book covering almost every aspect of the water sensitive urban design (WSUD) paradigm.
- IITaV member Sameer Babbar has written a book on “Scale up business with ease”.
- IITaV committee member Dr Bala Kumble has been invited to be on board of a new company, Chair of IEEE Engineering in Biology & Medicine, and executive chair of Global Knowledge Alliance.



IITaV membership update for 2018-19



TYPE	30 th April 2017	30 th April 2018	30 th April 2019
Annual Members	60	51	53 (56)*
Associate Members	10	27	5
Corporate Members	2	3	3
TOTAL	72	81	61 (64)*

** 3 more members have paid for renewing membership after 30th April 2019*

Acknowledgements

Sincere thanks to:

- IITaV Members and Families
- Our Corporate Members
- The Management Committee, their partners and other family members
- Our associate member representative, Shaktivesh and Krishna Chandran
- Guest Presenters at our feature events
- Our sponsors for Diwali festival – Westpac, ATMC and Central Equity



Treasurer's report for 2018-19

Scope

We have audited the financial statements of IITAV. The IITAV management committed to provide us with all the information and documents we required for the audit. The audit has been conducted to provide an independent opinion on the financial statements.

Our procedures for conducting the audit included examining the supporting the financial entries and the internal control procedures. The audit procedures have been undertaken in accordance with the standards of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. The financial report is presented on the basis of the information provided by the management.

Audit opinion

In our opinion the financial statements of IITAV are free from material misstatements and all income and expenses are properly recorded.



Raj Rajakumar
Past President, IITAV



Rachana Sharma
Past Treasurer, IITAV

15 May 2019

- IITaV has a cash reserve (including liability) of \$12,326. The available surplus is \$10,466 and the liability of membership is \$1,860.
- An internal audit was performed and all accounts for found to be in order.
- Our sincere thanks to Dr Raj Rajakumar and Dr Rachana Sharma for their valuable expertise and time for the audit.

Item in \$	2017-18	2018-19
Cash reserve	15,178	12,326
Surplus	11,778	10,466
Membership liability	3,400	1,860

Election of Management Committee 2019-20

Name	Position	Nominated By	Second Nomination
Dr Sarbjit Giddey	President	Dr Ashok Sharma	Dr Sridhar Karuppasami
Dr Ashok Sharma	Vice President	Dr Sarbjit Giddey	Dr Sridhar Karuppasami
Mr Divakar Prasad	Treasurer	Dr Sarbjit Giddey	Mr Rajasekhar Ravi
Dr Sridhar Karuppasami	Secretary	Dr Sarbjit Giddey	Mr Divakar Prasad
Mr Abaran Deep	Committee Member	Dr Ashok Sharma	Dr Sarbjit Giddey
Dr Bala Kumble	Committee Member	Dr Sarbjit Giddey	Dr Ashok Sharma
Dr Meenakshi Arora	Committee Member	Dr Sarbjit Giddey	Dr Bala Kumble
Dr Yogendra Vashishtha	Committee Member	Dr Sarbjit Giddey	Dr Meenakshi Arora
Mr Rajasekhar Ravi	Committee Member	Dr Sarbjit Giddey	Dr Yogendra Vashishtha

Election of Management Committee 2019-20



Name	Position
Dr Sarbjit Giddey	President
Dr Ashok Sharma	Vice President
Mr Divakar Prasad	Treasurer
Dr Sridhar Karuppasami	Secretary
Mr Abaran Deep	Committee Member
Dr Bala Kumble	Committee Member
Dr Meenakshi Arora	Committee Member
Dr Yogendra Vashishtha	Committee Member
Mr Rajasekhar Ravi	Committee Member

Handover to new Management Committee 2019-20



- Thanks to previous committee and welcome to new committee.

Discussion on way forward and members feedback



- Promote professional networking with business, academia and government, and strengthen relationship between Australia and India
 - Industrial visits
 - Professional seminars by experts in the field
 - Through established links with Universities (Melbourne, Swinburne, VU, Monash)
 - Through building relationships with sponsors for our events

Discussion on way forward and members feedback

- Promote and assist with professional development of members (mentoring) – increasing associate members
 - Through various networking events.
 - A skills database of members.
 - Through delivering expert talks
- Promote social interaction and welfare of members
 - Through festival celebrations
 - Informal networking get-togethers.
 - Social get-togethers that involve group walks / physical activities

Thank You