

IIT Alumni Victoria (IITAV)

Meeting:	Annual General Meeting, May 2015
Date:	3 rd May 2015, 3:00PM – 5.30PM AEST
Venue:	Swinburne University of Technology, Hawthorn
Attendees:	Abaran Deep, Satish Varma, Dilip Desai, Venugopal Nair, Kapil Talwar, Amarnath Anumarlapudi, Rakesh Saraf, Surinder Lamba, Ramprakash Yerramilli, Rachana Kaudinya, Nikhil Kumar, Raj Rajakumar, Ravi Singh, Rahul Tyagi Divakar Prasad, Pandu Maruti, Manjit Lekhi, Sarma Munukutla
Apologies:	Arun Kumar, Radheshyam Gupta, Vipin Gaindhar, Raman Singh, Sridhar Karuppasami, Ajay Mehta, Indubhushan Patnaikuni, Saby Bhattacharya, Steve Bungay, Sanjiv Bhasin, Devindra Weerasooriya
Proxies:	Raman Singh to Ravi Singh

Item	Discussion / Action / Decision
1.Welcome, Apologies and Proxies	IITAV President, Dr Raj Rajakumar, welcomed the attendees and presented the Agenda (a copy is attached). The list of attendees, apologies and proxies above was noted.
2.Minutes of 2014 AGM	Acceptance of Minutes of AGM 2014, circulated previously with the notice of AGM, was proposed by Satish Varma, seconded by Rakesh Saraf, and approved unanimously.
3. President's Annual report	 Dr Raj Rajakumar presented the President's Annual report for the year 2014 – 2015, covering Objectives of IITAV that guided the Management Committee Focus areas, activities and achievements in 2014-15 Confirmation of the current registration of IITAV as Incorporated Association. The revised membership policy which was announced in December 2014 and implemented in January 2015. The membership status as of 30 April 2015 and the growth of membership over the first four full years of the Association to April 2015. Dr Raj Rajakumar acknowledged the efforts of the Management Committee members and thanked them and all members for their contribution. He noted the encouraging growth in participation of family members in the social events. Acceptance of the President's report was proposed by Satish Varma, seconded by Surinder Lamba and approved unanimously.
4.Treasurer's Annual Report	 Rachana Kaudinya presented the Treasurer's report. As per Annual Statement presented, IITAV has cash reserve (excluding liability) of \$10,020.13 which is confirmed by the Bank Statement dated 1st May 2015. The available surplus is \$6,555.13 as on 30 April 2015 after providing for liability of \$3,465.00 for multiple year membership fee till 2020 already received. Rachana Kaudinya also presented Revenue and Expenditure summary for 2014-15. Acceptance of the financial report was proposed by Manjit Lekhi, seconded by Surinder Lamba, and approved unanimously.

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5. Member Register Update	 Dilip Desai, Secretary, provided an update on the current member register. IITAV has 60 financial members on the day of the AGM (17 Foundation, 42 Annual and 1 Corporate). It was noted that Foundation Membership of current members will lapse on 31 December 2015 unless renewed by then.
6. Management Committee Nominations and Election	The nominations received for the Management Committee for 2015-16 were tabled by the Secretary, Dilip Desai. One nomination was received for each of the nine positions in the Committee and these nominations were unanimously approved as elected by the members. The elected members of the 2015 – 16 Management Committee are: President Vice-President Nikhil Kumar Treasurer Rachana Kaudinya Secretary Sridhar Karuppasami Committee Member Ravi Singh Committee Member Committee Member Rakesh Saraf Committee Member Vipin Gaindhar
7. Hand-over to the 2014-15 Committee	President of IITAV 2015-2016, Dr Raj Rajakumar, thanked the outgoing Committee and introduced the new Committee members above.
8. Way Forward discussion	 Vice President, Nikhil Kumar, facilitated the discussion about some focus areas for 2015-16: Make website more dynamic and interesting, highlight services provided by IITAV, connections to industry. Provide links to various IIT Alumni websites. Members requested to complete their profile on IITAV website. IITAV needs a system which effectively collates the information about members and their capabilities. Linkedin could be a good way of extracting profiles and facilitating communication among members in the IITAV group. Increase links with IITs probably through a nominated IITAV contact for each IIT. Send messages and newsletters to IITs. Access groups like Yahoo group of IIT Kharagpur to identify potential new members. Proposed names for IITAV contacts were: Manjit Lekhi for IIT Delhi, Satish Varma for IIT Kanpur and Pandu Maruti for IIT Bombay. Social Media: make an active group Encourage more IIT-BHU alumni to join, noting that IIT-BHU is a newcomer to the IIT system. Identify ways in which we can help members and students arriving in Victoria from India. Hold events on an opportunistic basis when eminent IITians visit Australia/Victoria. Bring high profile speakers for events. Develop platform for professional competency improvement. For example, in the university context, it will be useful to hold events and IITAV helping in competency development associated with commercialisation and collaboration with industry. Non- Management committee members to participate in teams and contribute to IITAV's activities and projects. Consider linking up with other Indian Associations such as FIAV, SEMMA and Confederation of Indian Associations of Australia. IITAV competing with other organisations, organize events based on differentiation. Should not dilute professional standard of activities. We could hold sporting events during the year or organize visits to sporting events.