

Minutes of the fifth annual general meeting of SLAGM, 2018

Date- 16.02.2018

Time- 12.30pm to 2pm

Attendance

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| 1. Dr. Dilhar Samaruthilake | 21. Dr. Nanda Gunarathne |
| 2. Prof Antonette Perera | 22. Dr. Kiththsri Karunathilake |
| 3. Dr. Lalith Wijayratne | 23. Dr. Esther Amarasekara |
| 4. Dr. Padma Gunaratna | 24. Dr. Sashimal Jayaweera |
| 5. Dr. Chamila Dalpatadu | 25. Dr. Arunie Malwatta |
| 6. Dr. Ruwan Ekanayake | 26. Dr. G.K.K Sewwandi |
| 7. Dr. Vajira Dissanayake | |
| 8. Dr. Lasantha Ganewatte | |
| 9. Dr. Dilanka Thilakarathne | |
| 10. Dr. Thianka De Silva | |
| 11. Dr. GDN Samaruthilake | |
| 12. Dr. Nirmala Wijekoon | |
| 13. Dr. Senaka Bandusena | |
| 14. Dr. Anoma Senanayake | |
| 15. Dr. Thusa Nawasiwatte | |
| 16. Dr. Sajeewana Amarasinghe | |
| 17. Dr. J. B Jayawardena | |
| 18. Dr. M.N.J Gunathilaka | |
| 19. Dr. K.V.C Janaka | |
| 20. Dr. Barana Millawithana | |

Minutes of the fifth AGM of SLAGM

1. Preliminaries

Minutes of the 3rd AGM was presented by the secretary Dr. GDN Samaruthilake. It was proposed as true and correct by Dr. Lasantha Ganewatte and seconded by Dr. Thilanka De Silva.

2. Presidential address

Dr. Dilhar Samraweera the president of SLAGM welcomed the members to the fifth AGM of SLAGM. He thanked the membership and the council for the support they have given to successfully carry out the activities. He briefed the gathering regarding the activities done in 2017 and elaborated on the successful journey of SLAGM from the infancy stage in 2014 up to 2017.

3. Secretaries report

Dr. GDN Samaruthilake elaborated on the activities of the SLAGM as the apex body of the geriatric medicine in Sri Lanka. SLAGM had regular monthly council meetings. Project proposal for WHO funds was completed and submitted during 2017. The fund request proposal for academic sessions from the second health sector development fund was also submitted. Recruitment of new membership has been activated.

SLAGM successfully participated in the 'Mahajana Suwa Dhana' Exhibition organized by CCPSL which was held at BMICH by holding an exhibition stall. Third academic sessions were conducted in the Hotel Galadari with very good participation.

A regional meeting was conducted at Nawalapitiya with collaboration of Nawalapitiya clinical society. SLAGM has also represented in ministerial and other meetings and forums.

He elaborated on the challenges ahead and the way forward. Those are developing advocacy to political hierarchy on Geriatric issues in Sri Lanka, establishment of National level 'Geriatric Training Center', re establishment of SLAGM web site, promote Geriatric research and establish a mechanism to translate evidences to practice, establish links with international Geriatric organizations, to launch a 'Geriatric Journal, to organize an international Geriatric conference in Sri Lanka, to identify capacity building priorities and to develop training modules for healthcare. He thanked all members and the council for the support rendered.

4. Treasurers report

Dr. Vajira Dissananyake presented the financial report for the year 2017. Summary of the accounts are as follows; income Rs. 4,962,188/=, expenses Rs. 3,899,767/=.

Balance Rs. 1,062,421/=. Remaining sponsorships and reimbursements from Ministry of health to be collected are Rs.2,800,000/=

5. Resolutions

Two resolutions were proposed by Prof Antonette Perera.

Amendment to the constitution were proposed and read twice and confirmed.

1. Appointment of two vice presidents
2. The number of the council members to be increased up to 18 members in addition to 6 office bearers.

6. The following members were elected as office bearers for the 5th council of SLAGM - 2018

		Post	Proposed by	Seconded by
1.	Dr. Padma Gunaratna	President	Dr.Dilhar Samaraweera	Dr.G.D.NSamaruthilake
2	Dr. Ruwan A.I. Ekanayake	Vice president	Dr.G.D.N Samaruthilake	Dr.Padma Gunaratna
3	Dr. Priyankara Jayawardane	Vice president	Dr.V.L Dissanayake	Dr.Padma Guanratna
4	Dr. Chamila Dalpatadu	Secretary	Dr. W.D Thilakarathna	Dr. A.A.J.R neththasinghe
5	Dr. B.M. Thusha Prasanthika Nawasiwatte	Assistant secretary	Dr.Padma Gunaratna	Dr.G.D>N Samaruthilake
6	Dr. Sajeewana Chaminda Amarasinghe	Treasurer	Dr.Dilhar Samaraweera	Dr.G.D.N Samaruthilake
7	Dr. V.L. Dissanayake	Assistant treasurer		
8	Dr. J.B. Jayawardena	Council member	Dr.Dilhar Samaraweera	Dr.G.D.N Samaruthilake
9	Dr. M.N.J. Gunathilaka	Council member	Dr. Dilhar Samaraweera	Dr. G.D.N Samaruthilake
10	Dr. Barana Millawithana	Council member	Dr. Lasantha Ganewatte	Dr Chamila Dalpatadu
11	Dr. Tilanka de Silva	Council member	Dr. Chamila Dalpatadu	Dr. Dilhar Samaraweera
12	Dr. K.P. Karunatilake	Council member		
13	Dr. Chandana Kanakaratna	Council member	Dr. Dilhar Samaraweera	Dr. G.D.N Samaruthilake
14	Dr. G.K.K. Sewwandi	Council member	Dr. Dilhar Samaraweera	Dr G.D.N Samaruthilake
15	Dr. Nirmala Wijekoon	Council member	Dr. Chamila Dalpatadu	Dr. Samantha Ananda
16	Prof. Antoinette Perera	Council member	Dr. Dihar Samaraweera	Dr.G.D.N Samaruthilake
17	Dr. Upul Dissanayake	Council member	Dr. Dihar Samaraweera	Dr.G.D.N Samaruthilake
18	Dr. K.V.C. Janaka	Council member	Dr. Asanka Rathnayake	Dr. Lasantha Ganewatte
19	Dr.Achala Balasuriya	Council member	Prof C.N Wijayrathne	Dr. Dilahar Samaraweera
20	Prof. C.N. Wijayarathne	Council member	Dr. Achala Balasooriya	Dr. Chamila Dalpatadu
21	Dr. Pradeepa Gajendran	Council member	Dr. Chamila Dalpatadu	Dr. G.D.N Samaruthilake
22	Dr. Anoja Rajapakse	Council member	Dr. Dilhar Samaraweera	Dr. Chamila Dalpatadu
23	Dr. Champika Lasantha Ganewatte	Council member	Dr. Dilhar Samaraweera	Dr. M.S.A Perera
24	Dr. Senaka Bandusena	Council member	Dr. D.N Samaraweera	Dr. G.D.N Samaruthilake
25	Dr. W.D. Thilakarathna	Council member	Dr. CDalpatadu	Dr. N.A.J.R Neththasinghe

7. President's address 2018

Dr. Padma Gunaratna thanked the membership for electing her as the president. She commended the service done by Dr. Laith Wijayratna and Dr. Dilhar Samaraeera for uplifting geriatric medicine in Sri Lanka. She pledged to take up the challenging mission of SLAGM forward and reach the expected goals. She mentioned that although a young organization it has a strong base. She also thanked all the past council members who worked hard and invited advice and guidance. Her mission is to uplift the education of doctors and allied health professionals. She emphasized the need to improve infrastructure and public education to empower the elders. She mentioned that there is room for advocacy and that SLAGM can take the leadership. She gave a brief overview of the activities for 2018 which will include the Academic sessions, academic programme in periphery, geriatric day for Post graduate trainees and community work.

She also highlighted the importance of step down care in the health system of Sri Lanka and the need for rehabilitation of older adults after illnesses.

8. Any other matters

Dr. Dilhar Samaraweera suggested that we should meet with the Director General of Health Services and the WHO. Prof. Antonette Perera mentioned that it is important to keep close relationship with administration as last year Ministry of Health did not invite SLAGM for the meeting with the world bank but we were able to make representation at the national steering committee.

Past secretary, Dr Achala Balasuriya, founder president Dr. Dilhar Samaraweera, past treasurer, Dr Ayendralal Balasuriya have stated via a written document that they are willing to change the signatories in the bank account of SLAGM in Sampath Bank and have no objections in changing the signatories to current president, secretary and treasure.

AGM adjourned by president of SLAGM.

Dr. Chamila Dalpatadu
Secretary
SLAGM