

ATPIO BOARD Tele-Conference Minutes (July 7, 2014)

Members in attendance:

Mr. Arun Shirole
Dr. Shashi Nambisan
Dr. Anuj Sharma
Dr. Sabyasachee Mishra
Mr. Puneet Singh
Ms. Padmini Gudipudi
Dr. Sushant Sharma
Mr. Siva
Dr. Vijaya Gopu

ATPIO Board of Director's teleconference meeting was called to order by President Arun Shirole' at 4:00 P.M.

The Board members discussed the following agenda items:

1. Membership Fee Structure & Upgrade from current one-year membership

The ATPIO Board had previously approved, via email ballot, the following fee structure:

One Year: \$30.00 (unchanged), Three Year: \$80,00, and Five Year: \$125.00

The Board discussed on adding an "Other category" in the PayPal payment system so that the existing members can upgrade their membership to three or five year plans. Also the membership drive team will try to reach out to other potential members primarily serving in various DOTs.

2. Presidents Report

The President and others agreed to close the bank account in VA and open another account elsewhere so that the monthly deduction of \$12 can be prevented.

The President suggested visit of newly elected Prime Minister of India Mr. Narendra Modi's visit to US and potential for some collaboration with other higher administrative officials visiting U.S.

3. Action Plans (what will be accomplished in 2014 & how) for:

a. Maintain Website (Sushant & Padmini):

Dr. Sushant Sharma suggested to migrate the website to a Google Site. Dr. Sushant Sharma and Ms. Padmini Gudipudi will explore other hosting options and report to the board in the next

conference. Dr. Shashi Nambisan also suggested few changes to the website. There was some discussion of recognizing membership, archiving of dated items, member profiles and maintaining current conference links.

b. Communications - internal and external (Sabyasachee & Anuj)

Internal communications such as participation of ATPIO in TPMDC conference is currently ongoing and Dr. Sabyasachee Mishra is in touch with IIT Bombay. ATPIO is similarly exploring other collaboration opportunities. About external communications, the ATPIO Linked-in website is active and all updates are made regularly. ATPIO members are encouraged to contact Dr. Anuj Sharma with their comments and updates for Linked-in website. This site will be only for the benefit of ATPIO members. All the announcements can also be posted on the linked-in website.

c. Membership Drive (Vijaya Gopu/Puneet Singh)

One-on-one contacts and emails to potential members has proved to be the most effective approach for increasing ATPIO membership.

d. ATPIO Finances (Salil)

Report on the ATPIO finances will be made available to the Board members prior to the next teleconference.

e. Webinars (Arun & Shashi)

The next webinar in September/October timeframe will be on Delivery of Complex Projects by Dr. Jennifer Shane. Dr. Nambisan expects to arrange another webinar before the end of the year. Siva Narla expects to organize the following webinar.

f. 2015 Annual Meeting Prep. (Vijaya Gopu & Sabyasachee)

The initial steps for selecting ATPIO Annual Meeting location will be taken in the early fall.

4. Student Support Program (Anuj)

A proposed draft will be e mailed to the Board members prior to the next teleconference.

5. Other Business: None.

The teleconference meeting was adjourned at 4:50 P.M.