

SANA EC Minutes of Meeting held on Sunday, January 8 2023

Dear SANA Members,

EC's second meeting was held on Sunday January 8, 2022 over the zoom. President Dr. Maqbool Halepoto presided over the meeting, and was conducted by GS Mushtaq Rajpar.

Following EC members were in attendance:

Surhan Memon, VP Youth
Shahida Shaikh, VP-Women
Rahul Bhimani, VP-Canada
Asghar Pathan, VP-US
Iftikhar Memon, Information Secretary
Aijaz ul Haq Memon, Treasurer

Absentees: Ali Khaskheli, Joint Secretary

This was the second meeting since the newly elected EC took the charge on January 1, 2023.

As per SANA's EC's traditions, the Minutes of the last EC meeting, which were circulated on SANA communication platforms, were reviewed and approved by the EC members.

SANA FAME Scholarship Committee

EC unanimously approved the request to current members of the Committee to continue their services, and wants Treasurer Aijaz Memon to be new member to the committee, representing EC basically to keep an eye on financial needs of the FAME Fund so that EC can timely arrange required funds.

President Maqbool will write an invitation letter to the SANA FAME Committee chair, along with members, to attend the next EC meeting for a briefing on the state of the ***FAME Scholarship program***, its needs and future direction. EC was also told that in the last fiscal year 2022 only \$2,600 were collected for this flagship program of SANA. Knowing the financial needs of FAME Scholarship, EC with the help of Fund Committee will launch a donation appeal to members.

Chicago Convention:

Subject of the annual SANA convention came under discussion.

EC members identified the following two topics and discussed relevance to our overall situation.

1. Engaging and Connecting Youth with SANA and Sindh
2. Sindh Rehabilitation Conference: Rebuilding Sindh after devastating floods

EC invites suggestions/ideas on the theme of the Chicago Convention from SANA members and LoC.

EC approved unanimously formation of the following committees

SANA Media committee

Nuaman Shaikh, Chair, From Calgary, Canada
Abdul Sami Memon, Edmonton, Canada
Syed Walliullah Shah, Toronto, Canada
Dr. Aqeel Panhwar, Houston, TX

SANA Fund Committee

Zia Memon, New York, Chair
Dr. Aijaz Turk, MI
Naushad Akhund, Maryland
Nawaz Pahnwar, Edmonton, Canada
Sarmad Memon, Houston

The names of two nominees by EC were withheld, pending their consent. The Fund Committee can add more members if it decides so.

Managing's SANA's Communication platforms

EC approved to add one more admin on the whatsapp group, Ali Khaskheli, Joint secretary.

EC decided to restrict membership to the Mailing list and whatsapp group to only paid and active SANA members.

List and group admin will issue a 30 day notice to All non-US and non-Canadian phone numbers to change their numbers otherwise their access to whatsapp group will be denied.

All the members who wish to join SANA Whatsapp group will be required to have their identity disclosed and brief intro for members.

New members who wish to be added need to share their introduction with members.

Utilization of Flood Rehabilitation Funds

On the recommendation of SANA Houston Chapter's Fund Raising Committee, SANA EC authorized President Maqbool Halepota to discuss the idea of constructing low cost homes in flood affected areas in Sindh. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) will be submitted for EC's approval.

Tasks for VPs:

Both Vice Presidents for U.S. and Canada, Asghar Pathan and Rahul Bhimani were assigned the task to oversee the chapters in both countries, and reach out to members in cities where SANA chapters do not exist currently. VPs to establish maximum numbers of chapters.

SANA Youtube Channel: With the help of newly formed *Media Committee*, GS Mushtaq Rajpar will establish SANA's youtube channel to be called "**SANA Forum**", SANA Conventions' contents, discussions and sessions, to be hosted by SANA Forum will be uploaded on the 'SANA-Forum' youtube channel.

Revamping Website: Ahead of SANA's Convention in July, SANA's website will be revamped and upgraded. Aijaz Memon, Iftikhar Memon and Mushtaq Rajpar, with the support of the Media Committee, will complete the project before the convention in July.

Regards
Mushtaq Rajpar
General Secretary, SANA