

# **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS**

## **1.CURRENT CONSTITUTION**

The term of President is for one year. No election will be held for President Elect. There shall be elections for the post of Vice President once in two years.

### **AMENDMENT**

The term of President shall be two years. There shall be no Vice President. Elections will be held for the post of President Elect once in two years.

Proposed by Dr SelviRadhakrishna

Seconded by : Dr SN Basak

## **2. CURRENT CONSTITUTION**

A member of ABSI should have served on the Executive Committee of ABSI for a minimum of 2 years to apply for the Post of Vice President/Honorary Secretary/Honorary Treasurer/Director of Education & Training.

### **AMENDMENT**

A life member of ABSI who has completed at least two years of ABSI Membership (from the date of ratification in the AGM) is eligible to contest for the post of Executive Committee member. The nomination must be proposed and seconded by two ABSI members in good standing.

A life member of ABSI who has completed at least three years of ABSI Membership (from the date of ratification in the AGM) & who has completed at least one term as Executive Committee Member is eligible to contest for the post of President elect/Honorary Secretary/Honorary Treasurer/Director of Education & Training. The nomination must be proposed and seconded by two ABSI members in good standing.

Proposed by : Dr SubramanyeshwarRao

Seconded by : Dr ML Saha

## **3. CURRENT CONSTITUTION**

The voting will be held by secret ballot during the NATCON ABSI in a special session 'Elections ABSI' during the Annual General Body Meeting.

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The voting will be held by secret ballot during the NATCON ABSI in a special session 'Elections ABSI' during the Annual General Body Meeting. Furthermore, in due course of time, the voting will be held

as electronic voting system (E Voting) along the lines of amended ASI elections & will be implemented as soon as possible.

Proposed by : Dr Somshekhar

Seconded by : Dr SVS Deo

#### **4. CURRENT CONSTITUTION**

If a member of ABSI ceases to be a member of ASI, he/she will cease to be member of ABSI.

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If a member of ABSI ceases to be a member of ASI, he/she will cease to be member of ABSI. Should such a terminated member be reinducted into ASI, he/she will be reinducted to ABSI. Such a newly reinducted ABSI member shall not be eligible to stand for elections to any position in the Executive Committee in ABSI for 5 years from the date of reinduction/new membership in keeping with ASI constitution.

Proposed by : Dr A Maji

Seconded by : Dr Ramanuj Mukherjee

#### **5. CURRENT CONSTITUTION**

a. Election of the vacant posts as notified by the Honorary Secretary of ABSI will be held every two years during the Annual General Body Meeting in a special session 'Elections ABSI' to be held during the Annual conference of ABSI (NATCON ABSI).

b. Nomination for Vacant posts will be called for by the Honorary Secretary by 15 February of the year of election. The last date for receiving nominations would be being 15 April of the year of elections. The nominations must be sent to Honorary Secretary, ABSI. If 15 April is a holiday, the next working day will be the last date.

c. Withdrawal of Nomination - The candidates can withdraw their nominations before 5.00PM on first day of NATCON ABSI.

d. Each member will have to sign the register before voting and receiving the ballot paper. Membership cards should be presented for inspection before voting.

e. If there is no contest, the President shall declare the member elected for the post.

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a. Election of the vacant posts will be notified by the President elect ie. Election Officer of ABSI & will be held every two years.

b. Nomination for Vacant posts will be called for by the Election officer (President elect of ABSI) by 28th February of the year of election. The last date for receiving nominations would be 30th April

of the year of elections. The nominations must be sent to President elect of ABSI. If 30th April is a holiday, the next working day will be the last date.

c. Every ABSI member will have to sign the register before receiving the ballot paper for voting at the Annual General Body meeting held during ABSICON. Membership cards should be presented for inspection before voting.

d. President elect (Election Officer) will conduct the election and declare the elected candidates in a separate Session during the GBM titled 'ELECTIONS ABSI'. The President elect will be assisted by President and Immediate Past President in counting of votes during the GBM. E voting may be implemented along the lines of ASI elections as soon as possible.

e. Withdrawal of Nomination - The candidates can withdraw their nominations in writing by email/Courier, which should reach the Election officer (President Elect) before 5pm of the first day of ABSICON

f. If there is no contest, the President elect shall declare the member elected for the post.

Proposed by DR SVS Deo

Seconded by Dr Naidu

## 6. CURRENT CONSTITUTION

Filling up vacancies

In the event, the position of President falls vacant due to unforeseen circumstances, President Elect will take over as President for the residual term.

### AMENDMENT

a) In the event, the position of President falls vacant due to unforeseen circumstances either at the beginning of the term or during the term of Presidency, there shall be no elections for the post of President. The President Elect will take over as President to fill in the vacancy of President and he/she will perform the duties of the President for the entire duration of this period. Furthermore, the President elect will continue to complete his duly elected original term as President.

b) In the event, the position of President elect falls vacant due to unforeseen circumstances either at the beginning of the term or during the term, elections to the Post of President elect shall be held within three months of vacancy . The ABSI President will be the election officer. In such condition President will conduct the election.

Proposed by Dr DJ Bhaumick

Seconded by DR Selvi Radhakrishna

## 7. CURRENT ABSI CONSTITUTION

Guidelines for conducting NATCON ABSI/Regional CME programmes/Workshops:

- Organising Secretary must be at the Conference to present the proposal
- All the surplus funds in its entirety remaining after conducting the Regional CME Programme /Annual Conference must be handed over to Central ABSI account.
- Audited accounts of the Conference must be submitted to the Hon Secretary at the next NATCON ABSI

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Organising Secretary must be present at ABSICON to present the proposal in the Annual General Body meeting. The Chairman, Organising Secretary & Treasurer of proposed ABSICON must be life members of ABSI at the time of submission of proposal. A MOU relating to conduct of ABSICON will be signed by Chairman, Organising Committee and Organising Secretary on behalf of ABSICON and by the President & Hon Secretary on behalf of ABSI.

The account for ABSICON/ABSI Regional CME programmes/Workshops will be opened only with ABSI PAN that will be provided by the Honorary Secretary of ABSI. The Honorary Secretary of ABSI will write to the Bank authorizing opening of Bank account for ABSICON/ABSI CME Programmes/Workshops. The Honorary Secretary & Honorary Treasurer of ABSI will have access to review the ABSICON bank account from time to time to ensure absolute transparency.

A minimum of Rs 1000 for every registered delegate must be paid by the Organising Committee of ABSICON to the central account of ABSI. All the surplus funds in its entirety remaining after conducting ABSICON/Regional CME Programme/Workshop must be handed over to Central ABSI account.

There shall be a maximum of FOUR Regional CME Programmes of ABSI - one each in North, South, East & West zones respectively. Out with the Four Regional CME Programmes conducted by ABSI, permission to conduct academic activities by Private Institutions under the auspices of ABSI can be given after payment of Rs 2 Lakhs in metropolitan Cities & Rs 1 Lakh in non metropolitan Cities/Towns respectively. There must be at least two local ABSI Members on the Organizing Committee of such academic meetings.

Audited accounts after conducting ABSICON/Regional CME programmes/Workshops must be submitted to the Hon Secretary of ABSI within the existing financial year.

Proposed by : Dr SN Basak

Seconded by : DR A Maji

#### **7. CURRENT ABSI CONSTITUTION**

Accounts of the year: ABSI Accounts shall be prepared by Hon. Secretary and audited by an auditor appointed by General Body within six months of closing of the year. This shall be placed in the Annual General Body Meeting, and after adoption, a copy will be sent to Headquarters of ASI.

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Accounts of the year: ABSI Accounts shall be prepared by Hon. Treasurer and audited by an auditor appointed by Hon Treasurer after obtaining approval from General Body within six months of closing of the year. This shall be placed in the General Body Meeting, and after adoption, a copy will be sent to Headquarters of ASI.

Proposed by Dr ML saha

Seconded by Dr Naidu

### **1. Any Other matter with permission of the chair**

Hony Secretary confirmed the dates of ABSICON 2015 at Indore between 26<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of June at Indore.

Dr ML Saha, Organizing secretary of ABSICON2014 donated a sum of Rs 5,00,000 to ABSI from ABSICON 2014 accounts. He requested that the interest of the money be utilized as ' ABSICON Bengal travelling fellowship' for training of junior surgeons in breast surgery in abroad. Proposed by Dr DJ Bhaumick and seconded by Dr SVS Deo.

Meeting ended by vote of thanks

Thanking You

Best Wishes

Dr. Diptendra Kr. Sarkar

Hony. Secretary, ABSI