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MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE NUTRITION SOCIETY OF SRI LANKA HELD ON 25TH JANUARY 2020 AT TAJ SAMUDRA HOTEL, COLOMBO

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on 25th January 2020 (1st day) was chaired by Prof. Anoma Chandrasekara, the Presidents of the Nutrition Society of Sri Lanka (NSSL). Fifty three (53) life members of the NSSL including the council members attended to the meeting. The presidents welcomed the members to the AGM.

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the AGM held on 13th January 2019

The minutes of the last AGM 13th January 2019 were proposed as correct by Dr. Kumari Rathnayake and seconded by K D Disna Kumari with the correction of Prof Renuka Silva's name.

2. Annual report 2019/2020

The Joint Secretaries; Dr. Chandima Wickramathilaka and Mr. Roshan Dela Bandara presented the Annual Report. They briefed on the last annual scientific sessions and the programs and activities conducted by the NSSL in 2019 and 2020 under various themes.

3. Treasurer's Report- 2019/2020

The Treasure's Report was presented by Dr. Dhammika Senanayake. The treasure's report was proposed as correct by Dr. Ananda Chandrasekara and seconded by Dr. Kumari Ratnayake.

4. Resolutions of NSSL constitution tabled at the AGM 2020

Three (3) resolutions were presented to the AGM and **only one resolution** was confirmed to be included into the constitution.

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Resolutions	Justification	Comments of the members	Final decision
1. The Council resolves that the phrase “served a period of one term of two years” mentioned in section 8.3 of the article 8, be removed and substituted with the phrase “served a period of one year”.	This resolution enables the most qualified and experienced council members who have served at least one-year period to become office bearers.	There were no restrictions from NSSL members about this resolution. Further, Prof. Renuka Silva suggested that it is better to keep this resolution open for past council members who served at least one year in the council to be applied for the office bearers’ positions.	The Presidents, Vice Presidents, Joint Secretaries, Treasure and Editor will be elected among council members who has served a period of one year as a council member. Since there are no suitable applicants for the position this year, this resolution is to be effective for the Joint Secretary post from this AGM onwards. For other positions from next AGM onwards.
2. The Council resolves appointing of an “Assistant Treasurer” among council members and insert “Section 8.2.1.6 The Assistant Treasurer” to the constitution after section 8.2.1.5	Projects and activities involving financial commitments increase the workload of the Treasurer. Presence of Assistant Treasurer will be of an immense help and he/she can get the experience to be the next Treasurer.	Majority of NNSL members were not in agreement with this resolution and Prof. Renuka Silva commented that there will be difficulties to identify level of authority for Treasurer and Asst. Treasurer in handling finances. Further, it was suggested to have an internal arrangement within the council to help the Treasurer.	Not confirmed
3. The council resolves appointing an advisory committee to The Nutrition Society of	An advisory committee representing different related sectors, government, non-	The majority of NNSL members were not in agreement with this resolution. Dr. Damayanti expressed	Not confirmed

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<p>Sri Lanka and insert “To appoint advisory committee representing different related sectors identified by the council, academia and industry can work at advisory level when the council need an opinion to make decisions. “to the beginning of the 1st sentence of the section 11.4.1 and change the second sentence by including “advisory committee”.</p>	<p>government, academia and industry can work at advisory level when the council need an opinion to make decisions.</p>	<p>her views as that there is already formed Council which is the apex body of the society to provide required guidance to the NNSL.</p>	
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5. Election of new office bearers/council member for the vacancies 2020/2021

There were nine (09) vacancies for council which included eight council member positions (08) and one (01) Joint Secretary position. Applications were called among the life members. Since there were 10 applications, it was decided to have a vote to select appropriate number of members to the council. However, later as one applicant withdrew her application and voting was not required. Among them Dr. Ananda Chandrasekara was elected to the vacant Joint Secretary Position as he has already served one in year as a council member.

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Elected council members were as follows.

1	Dr. Chandima Wickramatilake	President
2	Dr. Dhammika senanayake	Vice President
3	Dr. Ananda Chandrasekara	Joint Secretary
4	Ms R.P.M. Sandamali	Joint Secretary
5	Dr. Disna kumari	Editor
6	Mr. M.R.K. Dharmapriya	Treasurer
7	Prof. Anoma Chandrasekara	Council member
8	Prof. Terrence Madhujith	Council member
9	Mr. K. Rasika Roshan Seneviratne	Council member
10	Ms. Joshepkumar Thamilini	Council member
11	Ms Malika Gayathri Fernando	Council member
12	Ms. M.R.P. Hasanga	Council member
13	Dr. Champa Jayalakshmie Wijesinghe	Council member
14	Ms. Eranga Harshani Silva	Council member
15	Mr. T.S.M. Tillakaratne	Council member

1. Any other matters

None

Prepared by Joint Secretaries

Thank you.

Dr. Ananda Chandrasekara

R P M Sandamali

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06.02.2020

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