

<b>Date:</b> December 6 <sup>th</sup> 2008 @6.00PM	<b>Location:</b> Shady Grove Campus, 9630 Gudelsky Drive, Rockville, MD 20850
<b>Kaveri Annual General Body Meeting 2008</b>	More than 125 paid members of Kaveri attended

Following was the agenda for the Annual General Body meeting held on 12/06/08 held at UMD—Shady grove campus, Rockville, MD.

- ✚ Report from 2008 committee; Highlights, Programs, Membership, Sports & Youth Activities, Financial Overview and details, Lessons learned:
- ✚ Resolutions, Question and answers
- ✚ Board Of Trustees Presentation
- ✚ Educational Event: Protecting Your Assets through Life, Marriage, and Death: Presentation by Mrs. Teja Rau, Attorney
- ✚ Introducing KEC09
- ✚ Kaveri Excellence Awards

Following are the minutes of the meeting:

1. Introduction: Mr Mrityunjay Mahashetty, Vice President, welcomed the audience and mentioned the agenda and logistics. Mrs. Meena Rao, Secretary, confirmed the proof of required attendance. Mrs. Vasudha Hegde sang a melodious inaugural song.
2. Mr. Shivu Bhat, President of Kaveri, presented the report on behalf of KEC-2008 committee. Shivu talked about highlights/achievements of the year, which included all the major programs presented for the year 2008, membership information, sports & youth activities. He mentioned that KEC-08 had conducted more than 15 successful events this year and 'raised the bar' overall. Shivu mentioned that in the history of Kaveri, the committee has achieved the highest number for the membership (322) and attracted very high number of participants (500 to 600) for all major events.
3. Shivu said, KEC-08 is very proud to have produced very innovative programs like, Kaveri Kala-Mela, 5 different sports tournaments (Tennis, Golf, Cricket, Carom and Badminton; with an overall participation reaching around 200 people), parallel activities for kids on all major programs, Harate Katte/Nala-Paaka, which attracted lots of new local Kannadigas to Kaveri. Kaveri Youth Committee members came on stage and explained their activities.

4. Some process improvements of the year were also briefly mentioned, which include new membership program/database, advanced ticket selling through Sulekha, bi-weekly community bulletins, discussion forum, website upgrade, MOU with KSR, etc.
5. 2008 Financial Report, reviewed by the auditor Mr. Sri Ananth, was presented with each event reference and overall receipts and disbursements. It was observed that overall Kaveri financial state is getting stronger and the current committee is expected to add few hundred dollars to the existing bank balance, apart from adding 8 life-membership collections. Based on the projected expenses, subjected to detailed audit, expected bank balance at the end of the year is \$145,885=00. Final audited report will be published on the Kaveri website very soon.
6. Special reference was made to the most successful program of the year – Kannada Kaliyona, through which we have successfully completed two semesters of Kannada classes at three locations (Centerville, Herndon, and Gaithersburg). Some of those Kannada Kaliyona students were invited on stage to present their devotional prayer. The little kids sang the prayer very well and impressed the assembled crowd. After which the Kannada Kaliyona program director, Phanindra Mankala explained their various effort and thanked all the teachers for their contributions.
7. Shivu thanked all the sponsors, Kannada teachers, volunteers & members for their support in making this a memorable year. President also invited all the KEC members on stage and praised their contributions to the community.

#### RESOLUTIONS, QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

8. As suggested by Mr. Sanjay Rao, first resolution was to accept the minutes of the previous general body meeting (SGM) held on May 31<sup>st</sup> (at NVCC Annandale), which is posted on Kaveri website. General body approved the same by a voice vote (claps).
9. Second resolution presented was related to the approval of the KEC presented financials for the year 2008. The resolution was proposed by Mr. K. Krishnamurthy and was seconded by Mr. Rajashekar Doddanna. General body approved the same by voice vote.
10. Shivu presented the third resolution about the upcoming the '4<sup>th</sup> KSR Vasantha Sahityothsava' to be held during May 2009, hosted by Kaveri. He briefly explained the memorandum of understandings (MOU) signed by Kaveri & KSR. He proposed that KEC-09 be authorized to conduct that conference, instead of Kaveri Vasanthotsava and do the required spending to make the conference successful. Smt. Shashikala

Chandrashekar seconded the resolution and was also approved by the general body by a voice vote.

11. Shivu explained the current communication policy (biweekly bulletin, authored by Pradeep Ramakrishnaiah, policy details are found on the Kaveri website) and proposed 4<sup>th</sup> the resolution to continue the same policy next year. This was seconded by Mr. Guru Nagaraj and the general body again approved through a voice vote.
12. Asset Management: There were lot of good ideas on how to manage Kaveri Assets including Microphone system and others. It was decided that Kaveri executive Committee will maintain the assets, with assistance from experts and keep BOT informed on regular basis. Treasurer/Joint treasurer or specific person within the executive committee shall maintain the asset records and their whereabouts. The GB suggested a body to be formed by the elected committee, to manage the same.
13. Questions/Comments: There was suggestion that the outside/visiting artists should be given 'prime time', than the local artists, for which KEC said it is a good idea and they will pass it on to next committee through lessons learned. Also one of the Kaveri member requested to send more emails on Kannada movies, which are not attracting big audience in the area. KEC said, it will do so per the communication policy.

#### BOT Presentation:

14. Mr. Suresh Ramachandra (Chair) presented the Board of Trustees (BOT) activities this year and presented the BOT team. He reassured that their responsibilities will continue to be an advisory body to KEC and manage the WKC funds.

#### Educational Event:

15. Mrs. Teja Rau, Attorney, presented how to protect your assets through life, marriage and death. She discussed how to write a will, why you need to write a will, what happens if you don't write it, etc. Also how you can protect your spouse and children, with proper planning. Mrs. Teju also discussed how we can track all of our assets and share with our spouses...

#### Introducing KEC-09;

16. Smt. Shailaja Rau and Sri. Krishna Murthy the polling officers for this general body meeting presented the KEC 2009 team and explained the nomination process. General body confirmed the following members as KEC-09 team, through voice vote. Mrs. Meena Rao accepted the nomination, on behalf of her team.

Position	Person
<b>Office Bearers</b>	
President	Meena Rao
Vice President	Jayashree Jagadeesh
Secretary	Narmada Ravindra
Treasurer	Guru Nagaraja
Joint Secretary	Keerthi Swamy
Joint Treasurer	Shalini Srinagesh
Youth Coordinator	<i>TBD</i>
<b>Committee Members</b>	
	Girish Vasudeva
	Harsha Gopal
	Prabhu Gowda
	Ramesh Venkatreddy
	Sharmila Murthy
	Shailan Mandayam
<b>Auditor</b>	<i>Shashi Murthy</i>

17. Kaveri executive committee recognized the following people for their outstanding achievements and contributions for the community, with a plaque. Community leaders KGV Krishna, Kanti Srikantaiah, Rajashekar Doddana, Usha Char & Ravi Dankanikote presented these wards respectively.

- **Shri Boggarm S Setty** – Community Sponsor – ***Maha Daani***
- **Dr. Ravi Harapanahalli** – Kaveri Artist - ***Kala Praveena***
- **Shri Haridas T Lahari** – Creative Artist -***Kaveri Aasthana Kalavida***
- **Ms. Jaishree Shankar** – **Outstanding Youth**
- **Shri Nagesh Subramanyam** - **Sportsman of the Year**

Meeting ended with a dedication song by Harsha Gopal. Meeting was adjourned by the president. Meeting Minutes were recorded by Joint treasurer – Mr. Ramu Murthy.

