Minutes of the Twentieth General Body Meeting of IAGRG

The Twentieth General Body Meeting (GBM) of IAGRG was held on January 20,1999 at 18:30 Hrs in the Department of physics of the DDU Gorakhpur University.

- J. K.Rao, the president of the association welcomed the members, thanked the outgoing office bearers and members of the IAGRG Council and expressed satisfaction about the activities of the association in general.

- The minutes of the Nineteenth GBM were accepted.

- The report of the activities of the association for the calender year 1998 was presented by the association secretary Ramesh Tikekar. A statement about the financial status of the association was also presented by him which was accepted.

- It was resolved that the honourarium of the VREF lecture be raised to Rs. 2500/-.

- There was a general discussion regarding the unsatisfactory responses in the past and also at present for the essay competition organized by the association. No definite conclusion was reached in this regard. The general feeling expressed was that the members should encourage participation by research scholars and students in this activity.

- The GBM suggested organization of the following activities from the amount of the interest earned on IAGRG funds.

  (1)   Instituting a Prize of Rs.1000/- (to be given every three years) for the best Ph.D. thesis accepted by Universities in India, in GR and related areas.

  (2)   Providing travel support to deserving research students for participation in the IAGRG conferences.

- The GBM authorised the Council to do the needful to appoint Parasnis Phadke & Co., Chartered Accountants , Pune-16 as new Internal Auditors of IAGRG.

- D.C.Srivastava gave an account of the efforts made for reviving the activity of bringing out of Gurutva-the IAGRG Bulletin. He was requested to continue the efforts in this direction.

The meeting was concluded after expressing thanks to the DDU Gorakhpur University for hosting the twentieth IAGRG Meeting.

(Minutes prepared by R. Tikekar)

Secretary, IAGRG