



Minutes of the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual General Assembly Meeting of the  
World Memon Organization held on 18<sup>th</sup> Nov 2013 at J.W. Marriot Hotel,  
Deira, Dubai

**ITEM 1 – CALLING TO ORDER AND RECITATION OF FEW VERSES FROM THE HOLLY QURAN**

Mr. A. Sattar Dada, President, WMO called the meeting to order at 10.00AM and this was followed by the recitation of few verses from the Holy Quran by Moulana Mohamed Ahmed.

**ITEM 2 – WELCOME ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT WMO**

President WMO Mr Abdul Satar Dada welcomed all members and delegates and thanked the Host Middle East for making excellent arrangements for the AGM and all the delegates for taking their time off to attend the AGM. WMO has completed 10 years of service and while much has been achieved, there is a long way to go. The Governance Committee has proposed some major changes to the WMO Structure and it is hoped with these changes the WMO can do more for the Global Community. After 10 years we are still having issues in India and these needs to be resolved soon. The Ladies and Youth Wings have become very active in the recent times and are working well. Need the commitment of everybody to take the WMO forward

**ITEM 3 – TO CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 11<sup>TH</sup> AGM HELD ON 23<sup>RD</sup> JUNE 2012 IN LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM**

The minutes being circulated earlier, were considered read and were proposed to be approved by Mr H.M. Shahzad and were seconded by Mr Moosa Careem.

**ITEM 4 – TO RECEIVE AND APPROVAL THE WMO ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2012, PRESENTED BY SECRETARY GENERAL, WMO**

The WMO Annual Report was read out by Mr Pir Mohamed Kaliya, Secretary General. It was pointed out by a member of the audience, in the printed version the date of the AGM is mentioned as 15<sup>th</sup> Sep 2013 where as it should be changed to 18<sup>th</sup> Nov 2013. There been no other changes/comments the annual report was approved by the house unanimously.

**ITEM 5 – TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS FOR PERIOD ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DEC 2012**

Mr Abdul Wahid Nathani queried why there is no Auditors Opinion in the consolidated accounts and Mr Pir Mohamed Kaliya clarified this - as the consolidation is not a true consolidation since only Audited Accounts of Europe, UAE and Pakistan are consolidated with the other Chapters been separate legal entities and hence can't be consolidated and the auditors have hence not given an opinion on the consolidated accounts report.



The accounts were thereafter approved by the house on being proposed by Ahmed Shaikhani and seconded by Dr Naseem Shekhani

#### **ITEM 6 – APPOINTMENT OF THE AUDITORS FOR PERIOD ENDING 31<sup>ST</sup> DEC 2013.**

The present Auditor for WMO have indicated their inability to continue and therefore Mr Newsad Gani was authorised by the house to discuss with alternative Auditors and appoint a suitable auditor and negotiate their remuneration

#### **ITEM 7 – ANY OTHER MATTER WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR**

1. REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE - Chairman Governance Committee Mr Yunus Suleman presented the proposal of the Committee for changes to be adapted to the Structure of WMO in order to make it more effective and transparent. Mr Suleiman Noor Mohamed (Solly Noor) stated this proposal has already been approved by the Trustees. He further stated, this proposal is making changes at the Top level to make it more cost effective, we don't need a BOM and BOT. The following proposal was thereafter approved by the house after been proposed by Mr Ahmed Shaikhani and seconded by Mr M.H.Omar
  - a. Retain WMO CF and Dissolve the present WMO
  - b. Thereafter change name of WMO CF to "WMO"
  - c. Transfer all present WMO Assets to New WMO
  - d. Appoint legal counsel to revise the WMO CF Constitution/Articles of Association to adopt the changes proposed by the Governance Committee
  - e. Obtain Tax opinion to support the proposed changes
  - f. Adopt the above mentioned changes at EGM or at the 12<sup>th</sup> AGM
2. Mr Rashid Godil raised the issue of separate Jamats being admitted as Apex Bodies at Chapter level and Mr H.M.Shahzad ASG Pakistan Chapter clarified, No new Jamats are admitted as Apex Bodies in Pakistan, and this was done long before and this practise has been discontinued since then.
3. Mr Rafeek Noorani, suggested the WMO must do more to promote Memoni Language.
4. Mr Solly Suleiman of South Africa made a presentation of the proposed Hospital Project in Durban. The hospital will be based on Islamic Ethos but run for profit. The financial projections' are for a 10-12% return in 5 years based on Capital Appreciation and dividend payment and invited all members present to support this project by investing in the Private Placement of the shares in the project company. He also informed that Mrs Zohara Noormohamed, wife of WMO CF Chairperson Mr Solly Noor will be the recipient of MINA Award for 2013 for her social work
5. Dr Muhammad Farooq Sattar, Parliamentary Leader for MQM in the National Assembly, Lower House of Pakistan Parliament was called upon to address the gathering by the Chair. Dr Sattar in his speech urged the community to Think Global and Act Local. WMO should stand for "Weapons of Mass Ornaments" and promote Unity & diversity/pluralism in the Memon Community. Dr Sattar offered a suitable plot of land in the city of Hyderabad in Pakistan to WMO for WMO to build a Cardiac



Hospital as a Trust/Commercial venture was accepted on behalf of WMO by WMO CF Chairman Mr Suleiman Noor Mohamed and the official of the Pakistan Chapter were requested by him to submit a proposal for same to the Board of Trustees of WMO. In conclusion Dr Sattar requested the WMO to develop a 10-20 Road Map for the community to be identified as "Denewale hath, not lenewale hath" ( it should be suitably translated in English e.g. "Giving Hands and not taking hands etc)

6. Dr Bushra Gadit, made a presentation for the formation of the Memon Health Forum and was requested to submit a proposal for consideration by the BOM
7. 12<sup>th</sup> AGM – The proposal to hold the 12<sup>th</sup> AGAM in Karachi, Pakistan on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014 was confirmed, on the assurance given by Pakistan Chapter Officials, there will not be any problem in obtaining visa for Indian passport holders to attend the AGAM
8. Mr Farook Moosa making a statement praised President Satar Dada for the dedication to WMO and for the leadership provided by him and his team to advance the cause of Memons.
9. Special Awards – The Middle East Chapter presented special appreciation awards to the Office bearers of WMO, WMO CF, Vice Presidents and other prominent social workers in Dubai and all those who supported/helped to host the AGM in Dubai.
10. A Qazi Award was announced by Ms Memoona Darvesh in the memory of.....

#### **ITEM 8 + 9 - CLOSING REMARKS AND DUA**

President Mr Satar Dada thanked all present for their corporation for conclusion of the day's proceedings and invited Mr Rafeek Noorani to conclude the AGAM meeting with a recital of a dua. The meeting closed at 12.15PM