



**DETROIT TELUGU ASSOCIATION**

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### **MEETING MINUTES**

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Meeting Date: 21Feb 2018

Meeting Location: DTA Office,  
26233 Taft Road, Novi, MI

Approval: Approved

Recorded By: Srinivasa Chittaluri

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**1 ATTENDANCE**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Present</b>
Neelima Manne ( <i>President</i> )	Yes
Sudheer Bachu( <i>President Elect</i> )	Yes
Srinivasa Chittaluri( <i>General Secretary</i> )	Yes
Sushma Yarlagadda ( <i>Cultural Secretary</i> )	Yes
UN Rao ( <i>Treasurer</i> )	Yes
Anil Chittoju ( <i>Joint Treasurer</i> )	Yes
Rajagopal Durairajan( <i>Publications Secretary</i> )	Yes
Anand Andra( <i>Member-At-Large</i> )	Yes
Jyothi Marupudi( <i>Member-At-Large</i> )	Yes
Srinivas Bandi( <i>Member-At-Large</i> )	Yes
Subratha Gaddam( <i>Member-At-Large</i> )	Yes

**2 QUORUM**

YES

**3 MEETING LOCATION**

Building: DTA Office, 26233 Taft Road, Novi, MI

State: Michigan

Conference Call: No

**4 MEETING START**

Meeting Schedule Start: 7:30PM EST

Meeting Actual Start: 7:45PM EST

**5 AGENDA**

1. Legal case status update (Proceedings so far) - President
2. DTA attorney legal fees payments
3. Discuss on court order

**6 MINUTES****6.1. Legal case status update (Proceedings so far) – President**

- i. Mr. Chittaluri, General Secretary requested to Mrs. Neelima Manne, President to explain to Executive Committee about the emergency meeting. Why? What purpose? Also asked the legal committee updates and the communication is not being shared with 2018 EC?
- ii. **Mrs. Manne, President briefed on the current status and said that there was a court order on February 14th, 2018 to pay 49% of legal fees to the third party. Regarding the legal committee which the EC was not aware before the emergency meeting, Mrs. Manne also informed that the legal committee member are not finalized and said that will wait till Feb 28 hearing and proceed based on the outcome.**

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- iii. Mrs.Marupudi, Member-At-Large asked the question why DTA attorney have not send the hearing information to you (Mrs. President)? **How come DTA will pay?**
  - iv. Mrs.Manne said that she don't have any information proceedings on 1/24/2018 and 2/14/2018 from DTA attorney and got briefed after the court ruling.
  - v. EC members had requested to share all the legal communications with EC from now onwards, Mrs.Yarlagadda , cultural secretary had asked if it's okay to get only important outcome from lawyer meeting and court hearings.
  - vi. Mr.Durairajan (Publications Secretary) raised the question on what would be DTA's response regarding the recent court order on which judge had passed the motion asking DTA to pay 49% of third party defendant lawyer fees, EC members had the same concern expressed for all we don't know during the next proceedings other parties might request the court to instruct DTA to pay for their dues. **DTA may not have that much money. How come DTA will pay?**
  - vii. Mr.Chittoju also raised a concern on how come DTA will pay?
  - viii. Mr. Bandi, Member-At-Large also had raised a point from **general body decision to not pay any amount to defendants or plaintiff.**
  - ix. Mr. Chittaluri shared and circulated the **2017 General body minutes to all the EC** members, on which general body member's majority of them rejected the proposal to pay defendants or plaintiff.
  - x. Mr. Bachu (*President Elect*) also said that we need to collect all the points from EC to present it to lawyer and also **wanted to go for EC decision on having 1 or 3 member to be a representative from DTA 2018 EC to lawyer.**
  - xi. Mr.Andra (*Member-At-Large*) also mentioned to have three members team so they can share the information without burden on single person and take collective decision. **How come DTA will pay?**
  - xii. Mrs.Manne mention that we need to go for EC decision to have 1 or 3 members to co-ordinate with lawyer on behalf DTA 2018 EC.

**Decision:** 1. DTA 2018 EC unanimously decided that that all the communication and corresponding and case relevant legal matters should cc'd to [2018-DTA-EC@googlegroups.com](mailto:2018-DTA-EC@googlegroups.com)

**Decision:** 2. EC had no choice to that keep **Legal Committee on HOLD till February 28th court proceedings.**

**Decision:** 3. With lot of conversation among the EC members to go either 1 or 3 representatives went for voting. Majority of the EC members would like to go for 1 representative (if need who voted I can add). Also EC unanimously decided that Mr. Rao, Treasurer Liaison between DTA Executive Committee and the DTA attorney. **He should cc'd to all the correspondence to DTA 2018 EC email which is [2018-DTA-EC@googlegroups.com](mailto:2018-DTA-EC@googlegroups.com) . Mr. Rao, Treasurer said he will also let EC know when he meets with attorney in person or discuss over the phone.**

## 6.2. DTA attorney legal fees payments

- i. Mr. Chittaluri proposed to negotiate the DTA attorney payments, after conversations among the EC, The DTA EC decided that Mr. Rao will talk to DTA attorney (Joel) and will communicate to the EC about the negotiation of payments.

## 6.3. Discuss on court order – EC All

- i. Mr. Rao will go and meet to DTA attorney to ask the all possible options to file a motion to re- consider the court order. It is decided that he will CC **DTA 2018 EC email group and any one available from 2018 EC can go along with Mr. Rao.**

## 7 MEETING END

Meeting Schedule End: 8:30 PM EST

Meeting Actual End: 8:50 PM EST

