

**North American Sankethi Association (NASA)**  
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**Notification of the Year 2009 General Body Meeting (GBM) July 4, 2009**

Dear Members:

The 2009 Annual GBM will convene on Saturday, July 4, 2009 at 9.00AM at the New Windsor Conference Center, New Windsor, MD. The order of business will be as follows:

1. Roll call
2. Reading/Confirmation of minutes of the preceding meeting
3. President's address
4. Secretary's Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Reports of Special Teams
7. Old and unfinished business
8. New business
9. Good and Welfare
10. Adjournment

Please note that per NASA bylaws only members in good standing as of the Record Date (June 23, 2009) may vote in any formal motion or election of office bearers. We would encourage nonmembers desirous of joining NASA to consider life membership instead of annual membership. Membership form may be printed from our website [www.Sankethi.org](http://www.Sankethi.org). 2008 NASA GBM minutes published in our newsletter Volume 25. No.3 dated August 5, 2008 is included below for your ready reference.

**2008 NASA GBM Minutes**

The 2008 NASA GBM was held on July 6, 2008 at the New Windsor Conference Center at 10:00 am

1. Welcome speech by Dr. Sridhara, NASA president
2. Roll call was taken. 40 registered members were in attendance. Quorum for 2008 GBM was established.
3. Copies of 2007 GBM minutes were made available to members. 2007 GBM Minutes had also been sent to all members in May 2008 newsletter. Sundaresan identified that the 2008 GBM notification published in the May 2008 newsletter was not signed by the secretary. A corrected 2008 GBM announcement will be added to NASA records, which will include the secretary's signature for the notification of 2008 GBM. A second correction was also noted. Item 19 of 2007 GBM minutes stated no need for filing tax returns. However, due to average gross receipts exceeding limits established by IRS, the implications for tax returns due for previous years have to be addressed. Sundaresan motioned to accept 2007 GBM minutes along with the correction. Dathatri Seconded. 2007 GBM minutes were accepted.
4. When the meeting was called to order, the general body observed a few moments of silence for those Sankethis who passed away this past year, namely, Mrs. Lakshmi Rao, Dr. S.N. Subbarao, Dr. K. Ramachandra Murthy and Harave Keshavamurthy.
5. Dr. Sridhara started president's speech by thanking BOD and their spouses/families for their excellent work. He commented on the difficulty the BOD had with regard to the fulfillment of treasurer's functions in a timely manner. He thanked Satyanarayana and Mahesh Rao for putting in long hours to get papers in order. He also pointed out NASA's aims and objectives and made references to several NASA activities that met NASA's aims and objectives. He thanked the founding fathers for well defined NASA's aims and objectives. He highlighted the key goal of the outgoing NASA Board in building the spirit of community and enthusiasm among Sankethis around North America including Canada and how this has been accomplished very well by numerous regional meetings and well attended annual events. As many as 20 new life members representing all parts of US and Canada joined NASA during the last two years. Active participation from the Texas region

is a testament to this. He mentioned that the new NASA Directory was just published and that it would help in building new relationships. The directory includes NASA Aims and Objectives and the Sankethi Anthem.

6. While the sprit of the community is growing, he called on all members to take stock and engage in productive and constructive participation and communication to build the community during this Silver Jubilee year. The president thanked NASA's Silver Jubilee Committee for their contributions.
  7. Sundaresan made a motion of special thanks to the president and BOD for all the hard work. Nataraja seconded the motion, which was then duly accepted.
  8. Sundaresan pointed out that the term of all committees appointed by Dr. Sridhara would expire along with his presidency. The appointment of any committees during the next two years is the responsibility of the new president.
  9. Sundaresan made a motion to thank the Silver Jubilee Committee and it was seconded by Dathatri whereupon the motion was accepted.
  10. NASA secretary Dr.Keshava Kumar presented the secretary's report. In his report, he mentioned that the maintenance of the NASA website is free of charge to the members. No confidential information has been provided to the website administrators. He acknowledged that the website needed many upgrades which are being discussed with the website administrators. He also noted that many successful NASA regional events were held thought the year.
  11. Dr. Jayaram made a motion to accept the secretary's report. The motion, duly seconded, was accepted
  12. NASA treasurer Satyanarayana presented the treasurer's report.
  13. A request was made to expand abbreviations in the treasurer's report. Treasurer's report was accepted
  14. Report of special teams was taken up. Sundaresan presented the Audit Team report. It was noted that 2006 Treasurer's report would be revised to reflect changes and entered in to NASA records.
  15. There were no other committee reports.
  16. There was no old or unfinished business.
  17. No new business items were discussed.
  18. NASA President S. Sridhara requested Dr. Jayaram, who had been identified as the election officer in the May 2008 newsletter, to conduct the election of office bearers for the 2008-2010 term.
  19. Election officer Dr. Jayaram conducted the elections and the following President and BOD members were elected uncontested for 2008-2010 term:
    - a. President: Dr. Keshava Kumar
    - b. BOD members (\* indicates members elected in absentia)
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| Arun Chickmenahalli * | Ganesh Rao           |
| Lalitha Hanasoge      | Shanthi Keshava Rao* |
| Mayank Keshaviah*     | Divakar Rudrapatna*  |
| Ramki Nagaraj         | Ranjini Srikantiah   |
20. Good and welfare discussions marked the completion of the last item of the agenda.
  21. Motion of thanks to the Chair and BOD, duly made and seconded, was carried unanimously.
  22. 2008 NASA GBM meeting adjourned.

NASA General Secretary  
Ranjini Srikantiah  
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