

PROCEEDING OF THE MEETING OF THE PUNJAB MEDICAL COUNCIL HELD UNDER THE CHAIRMANSIP OF DR. MANMOHAN SINGH, PRESIDENT PUNJAB MEDICAL COUNCIL ON 24-4-2005 AT 10:AM

The following attended the meeting: -

1. Dr. Neeti Rajan Singh – Vice President, Punjab Medical Council
2. Dr. Gursharan Singh – Member, Punjab Medical Council
3. Dr. Rajinder Pal Singh Virk – Member, Punjab Medical Council
4. Dr. Yash Kumar Sharma – Member, Punjab Medical Council
5. Dr. Balraj Gupta – Member, Punjab Medical Council
6. Dr. Amrik Singh Bhatia – Member, Punjab Medical Council
7. Dr. A.S. Thind – Registrar, Punjab Medical Council

With the permission of the President the meeting started.

Members of the council expressed deep grief on the sudden demise of S. Prof. Gursewak Singh former Vice Chancellor, Punjabi University, Patiala. The council's members observed one-minute silence in respect of the departed soul. Dr. Balraj Gupta proposed a resolution which was seconded by all the members and it was resolved that a condolence message signed by all the members of the council by sent to chairman Dr. Manmohan Singh, worthy son of S. Prof. Gursewak Singh at his official residence at Patiala.

The following agenda was discussed:

1. Confirmation of the proceeding of the meeting held on 17-11-2004

The proceeding of the council meeting held on 17-11-2004 were circulated to all the members vide office letter No. PC/2005/129-135 dated 20-1-2005. The council unanimously confirmed the proceeding of dated 17-11-2004.

2. Entry in Medical Register

The council was informed about the latest position of the medical register maintained in the office of the Punjab Medical Council and it was informed that approximately 12000-registered medical Practitioner has respondent against the total of 34409 registered medical practitioner. It was decided that the pendancy, if any, be made up at the earliest and registration certificate be issued at the earliest possible time.

3. Action against complaint cases-Proceeding of Disciplinary Committee.

Proceeding of the Disciplinary Committee and Ethical Committee will be discussed in the next Council's meeting.

4. Additional registration qualification

The council approved the registration of post graduate / diploma issued by the university/institution (but not recognised by MCI) situated in the State of Punjab/ outside Punjab, with a rider the such doctors will able to practice in the state of Punjab.

5. Finalization of Nursing Home/Clinic Registration proforma.

Deafer for the next council meeting.

6. The President informed the members of the council that necessary correspondences have been to the govt. regarding tenure of the council. The council has received a letter from the govt. that the matter is under consideration. It was decided that the govt. may be approached to issue the necessary notification u/s 7 of the Council Act.

It was also decided that the identity card issued to the members of the council be again issue and the date of validity be extended.

It was also decided the any member coming across any violation of ethics will inform, of the same to the council. All the members will be sent the proceeding and copies of the complaint through E-mail. All the members were requested to submit the E-mail ID to the Registrar. Dr. Gursharan Singh took the responsibility to sent the E-mail ID's to the Registrar through E-mail.

It was also unanimously resolved that council meeting will be held (once in a month) on IInd Sunday at 10:00 A.M. Alongwith the council meeting there will be committee and tenure of the council will be submitted to the President.

It was also decided that the distribution of Distt. to the member of the council will be made by Dr. Neeti Rajan Singh, Vice President. The Vice President was entrusted the responsibility of making criteria/procedure regarding granting of credit hours to each CME. It was felt that proper invitation to the members of the council be extended by the organizer. The organizer be asked to submit the list of delegates attending the conference/CME duly signed by the members of the council who will be attending the conference/CME.

It was further decided that the credit hour account of the registered medical practitioners will be put on net w.e.f. 1-7-2005.

In the previous council's meeting it was decided that all the Registered Medical Practitioners practicing in the State of Punjab have to register themselves with the Punjab Medical Council. However it was come to the notice of the members of the council that some of the doctors have still not got themselves registered with the Punjab Medical Council or have not registered their Additional Qualification. It is in contravention to the rules and regulations of the council. A fresh notice should be put up in the press highlighting this requirement. Similarly P.G. Students from all India quota should be registered with council. Necessary letters be sent to Principals of the Medical Colleges.

In case the registered medical practitioner is registered with other councils and have not got himself registered with the Punjab Medical Council he be allow to get himself registered with Punjab Medical Council on payment of additional fee. This will be a additional registration to the parent registration. However before registering such doctors NOC will be sought from the parent registering body and the registration number of the parent registering body will have to be mentioned in the permanent registration certificate. In case there no proper registration then the practicing doctor should be debarred from doing practicing in the State of Punjab. If the doctor fail to get additional qualification registered then the registered medical practitioner should not allow to practice in the specialty.

In the previous D.C./Ethical Committee proceeding it has been felt a few doctors summon for appearance before the council make un due excuse. It is decided that if a doctor is not appearing for 1st time due to some unavoidable circumstances be given IInd chance to appear before the council/committee if the doctor again fail to appear then the council decided that the permanent registration of such doctor be suspended.

The council will meet in the office of the council and after the council meeting there will be D.C. and Ethical Committee meeting which will be concurrent and the decision taken will be finalized there and then. So that cases could be deal with expeditiously.

The council has acquired more space. It was resolved then by doing partition an enclosure for the President and Board Room/Committee Room will be made. It was resolved that these rooms be furnished properly and the expenditure be incurred.

It was felt that some sort of Advertisement can be inserted by the registered medical practitioners in the present scenario. What to advertise. What not to advertise and how many time to advertise will be discussed in the council's meeting. Dr. Balraj Gupta was entrusted to frame guidelines/proposal regarding advertisement. This will be discussed in the next council's meeting.

Some of the members showed concern about the foreign doctors (registered in order countries) organising camps with the collaboration of local doctors. It was resolved that in case they are interested to organise camps or conduct some surgical procedure in the State of Punjab they must get themselves temporary registrartion. Even if this type of work is charitable even then onus lies with the doctor concerned. Dr. Gursharan Singh is entrusted to formulate and submit the guidelines for such type of case. In case a practitioner is doing illegal practice in the state of Punjab or is doing practice without a valid registration then the medical council will pursue such cases and even will not hesitate to get the case registered with the police.

The registered medical practitloner is to display his registration certificate wherever they practice. It has been observed that the doctors posted in Govt. hospitals do not obey this rules. It is resolved that all the registered medical practitioners whether they are in Govt. job or are practicing should display as and when they visit other cities. The information of the

erring doctors will be submitted to the council and necessary action will be taken against the negligent identity card for the purpose of inspection of hospital premises. The members will not inspect the local practitioners/hospital but will be authorized to inspect hospital/practitioner in other areas.

The council felt that certain rules and amendments are required in the present Act. Dr. Gursharan Singh was entrusted to frame amendment and rules keeping in view the present status. The rules/amendment should be brought base.

It was brought to the notice of the council that a few registered medical practitioners works in the hospitals established byh the unqualified doctors. It was resolved that such doctors be given a notice. In case of failure strict action should be taken against the doctors.

The president informed the council about the proceeding All India State Medical Council meet held at Karnataka Medical Council, Bangalore on 27-3-2005 at 9:30 AM. The proceedings of the meeting were placed on record. The President desired kto have next interstate council meeting in the State of Punjab. The council unanimously resolved that the interstate council meeting will be held in State of Punjab.

President,
Punjab Medical Council,
Mohali.

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A copy is forwarded to :-

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