# **MINUTES OF THE PSAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

# **MEETING HELD ON 10.07.2013 AT 11.30 A.M.**

## **AT ASSOCIATION’S OFFICE, KARACHI**

Present:

Ms.Ava A.Cowasjee Chairperson

Mr.Tariq Haleem Vice Chairman

Capt.Javed Iqbal Executive Committee Member

Capt.K.Asad Sarfaraz Executive Committee Member

Capt.Syed Mushtaq Ali Executive Committee Member

Mr.Khalid W.Khokhar Executive Committee Member

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal Secretary General

Mr.Syed Tahir Hussain Deputy Secretary

Regrets:

Mr.Bilal-ur-Rehman Executive Committee Member

Mr.Ovais-ur-Rehman Executive Committee Member

Mr.M.Younus Vayani Executive Committee Member

Mr.Kareem Ispahani Executive Committee Member

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held at 11.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 10.07.2013 at Association’s office, Karachi.

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal welcomed and thanked Mr.Khalid W.Khokhar for accepting the offer to join Executive Committee in order to fill the vacancy caused due to the resignation of Capt.Sikander Kazi.

**1) To confirm minutes of the EC meeting held on 29.04.2013.**

The minutes of the above meeting were approved by all present.

**Matters arising:**

**a) SRB-PRA**

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal informed that he met with SRB officials namely Mr.S.Mushtaque Kazmi, Member (Tax Policy) and Mr.Naeem uddin A.Farooqui, Deputy Commissioner on 24.06.2013 to get update on SRB-PRA tax collection issue who informed that so far no understanding has been reached as yet and they are still negotiating.

**b) Update on Members’ Directory, 2013**

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal presented copy of new Member’s Directory 2013 and informed that for the first time since 1995 the size of directory has been enhanced from pocket size to A5 size and from normal paper to 115 grams matt finish paper. In order to generate funds 45 advertisements were incorporated in the directory. Approximately Rs.1.0 million was earned as a consequences from this publication. He informed that as per past practice PSAA publishes it every 2 years. However, he suggested to publish it every year in order to generate funds.

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Capt.Javed Iqbal was of the opinion that PSAA should publish it as per past practice and should not race to collect funds as we will not be able to get same response from advertisers every year and also bring bad name.

2) To approve Election Schedule for the year 2013-2014.

The Election Schedule for the year 2013-2014 was approved by all present.

3) To appoint Election Commission for the Elections 2013-2014.

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal informed the meeting that we have to appoint a three member Election Commission to supervise/monitor election process. All members were invited for this purpose whereafter following three volunteered themselves:

c) Capt.S.T.Qaim, Bulk Shipping & Trading (Pvt) Ltd.

b) Mr.Syed Muhammad Shah, EastWind Shipping Company (Pvt) Ltd.

a) Mr.Muhammad Ali, Uniship Agencies (Pvt) Ltd.

The meeting unanimously approved all these three names.

**4) To discuss membership application.**

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal presented membership application of M/s.Blue Pak Shipping which represents Perma Shipping.

Ms.Ava A.Cowasjee replied Perma Shipping is a NVOCC. She suggested not to accept membership application whose proposer or seconder is belongs to same group of companies.

Mr.Khalid W.Khokhar inquired about granting membership to NVOCCs in the recent past to which Mr.Amir Ali Jamal replied in negative.

Mr.Khalid W.Khokhar added that previously it was decided that if there is no vessel handling experience then membership will not be granted.

Mr.Tariq Haleem inquired what does our Memorandum & Articles of Association say in this regard.

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal replied it says experience of vessel handling is required.

Mr.Tariq Haleem suggested amendment in Memorandum & Articles of Association in order retain prerogative of the EC to decide about granting the membership of vice versa.

Capt.Javed Iqbal seconded Mr.Tariq Haleem’s suggestion.

All present decided to pend decision on application for the time being.

**5) Any other business with the permission of the Chair.**

a) Capt.Javed Iqbal inquired about refund of double berth hire charged by FAP/PQA

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Capt.Syed Mushtaq replied nothing happened despite assurance by Mr.Haseeb Pirzada, GM (Marketing), FAP.

Mr.Amir Ali Jamal informed that PSAA had already raised this issue with PQA and FAP. In the last meeting between PSAA and PQA held on 12.12.2012 PQA informed that FAP is in litigation with PQA on this issue hence PQA cannot comment since the matter is *sub-judice.* He added PSAA will again raise this issue with PQA in follow-up meeting with PQA.

Ms.Ava A.Cowasjee informed she will consult with Mr.Mohammed A.Rajpar in this regard to decide further course of action. She informed that she tried to meet with Mr.Ghouse Akbar who was travelling.

b) Mr.Amir Ali Jamal informed that M/s.Sea Consortium Pakistan (Pvt) Ltd. has changed name to M/s.X-Press Feeders Pakistan (Pvt) Ltd. and had submitted all relevant documents in this regard. The participants agreed to this change.

c) Mr.Syed Tahir Hussain informed that The Surveyors Association of Pakistan has approached PSAA and requested for help because their members are facing difficulties in order to obtain port entry passes and photography permission from the concerned departments.

Ms.Ava A.Cowasjee informed that Surveyors raised this issue with her two years back and she had arranged a meeting with then Chairperson of KPT Mrs.Nasreen Haque and discussed the issues.

It was decided that as and when PSAA next meets Chairman KPT to raise these issues.

d) Capt.Syed Mushtaq Ali informed Customs is renewing Shipping Licence for one year only as compared to past practice of three years.

e) All participants deeply appreciated the initiative of Mr.Mohammed A.Rajpar of organizing a get-together over Hi-Tea on 03.07.2013 at Beach Luxury Hotel of Ports and Shipping professionals to discuss  matters of mutual interest.

f) Ms.Ava A.Cowasjee informed participants that increase in remuneration of Secretariat staff is due. After due deliberation it was decided to increase remuneration of Mr.Muhammad Mubbashir, Office Assistant; Mr.Syed Tahir Hussain, Deputy Secretary and Mr.Amir Ali Jamal, Secretary General by 10% (inclusive of all allowances) effective 01.07.2013.

There being no other business, the meeting terminated at 1.00 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

**Confirmed**

**Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**