ASSOCIATION FOR MACHINES AND MECHANISMS

Minutes of the Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) held on 9th July 2008

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of the Association of Machine and Mechanisms was held on 9th July 2008 at 1530 hours at the Meeting Hall, Machine Design Section, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Madras.

The meeting was attended by Dr Gen (Rd). Sundaram Prof. C. Amarnath Prof. R. Gnanamoorthy Prof. K Gopinath Prof. N Siva Prasad

Dr. Sandipan Bandyopadhyay.

The meeting was adjourned and the members met again.

Lt Gen Dr V J Sundaram, President, Association of Machine and Mechanism (AMM) welcomed the members. Prof R Gnanamoorthy, Secretary, briefed the activities of the association.

One nomination was received for each post for the communication sent to the members. Following office bearers were elected during AGM.

President : Prof. C. Amarnath, Department of Mech Engg, IIT Bombay.

Vice-president : Prof. Subir Kumar Saha, Department of Mech Engg, IIT Delhi.

Secretary : Dr. Sandipan Bandyopadhyay, Dept of Engg Design, IIT Madras

Treasurer : Dr Shankar Pillai, Dept of Mech Engg, IIT Madras.

The new office bearers will take in-charge from August 1, 2008.

Following new activities were proposed in the meeting.

- a) Starting a competition on mechanism design on the sidelines of NaCoMM. Prof. Saha, the coordinator of NaCoMM'03, has expressed his willingness to transfer Rs. 20,000/-, surplus from the conference, to AMM funds for this purpose.
- b) Prof. Ghosal, coordinator of NaCoMM 2007, is willing to transfer the excess of Rs. 100,000/-from the conference to AMM. The modalities of the transfer has to be worked out.
- c) AMM workshop: AMM activities would include the organisation of more frequent workshops for the benefit of the mechanism community in the country. In this regard, there is a proposal in place for a workshop at IIT Madras, during October 23-25, 2008, on the design of mechanisms for solving real-life problems.

The members of AMM thanked the services rendered by the old office bearers and welcomed the new office bearers.