

Minutes of the Meeting of ISOC Delhi Chapter

Date 8th August 2008, Time 5 to 7 pm

Venue: NIXI, Nehru Place, Delhi

The following members were present: B.C Jain, Rajesh Aggarwal, Ajay Tripathi, Rajiv Kumar, Lalit mathur, Puneet Tiwari, Manish Gupta, Deepak Mahajan, Anil prakash and Aashutosh Bhattacharya

It was informed that there are now 31 members, all of whom have paid Rupees 1000 each. But 3-4 of them have still not confirmed that they have become Members of ISOC by filling the online form available at www.isoc.org However, as there are more than 25 members who have confirmed membership of ISOC, we can now file application with ISOC for formal recognition of ISOC Delhi chapter. The Chair B.C. Jain was authorized to file this Application. The Bye-Laws were discussed, and it was agreed that the Chapter will serve persons in NCR (National Capital Region), which includes Delhi and some nearby areas. With this change, the Application now should be filed with ISOC for formal recognition.

It was also decided that simultaneously, the process of filing under Society's Registration Act will be started, which is necessary to become Legal Entity and open bank account. The Chair will get 7 members to fill up the required documents.

Regarding the office bearers (Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer), it was decided to continue the present set up till the elections are held after formal recognition. However, to activate the Program Committee, it was decided to add Anil Prakash, Manish Gupta and Ashutosh Bhattacharya to the Committee, and request Anil Prakash to chair the Committee. It was also decided that ISOC Delhi will meet more regularly, at least once in each quarter, and both the Membership Committee and Program Committee will present a report the Chapter in these meetings.

There was discussion on the ISOC Delhi website www.isocdelhi.in. While Spectranet has sponsored the domain name and Hosting charges, it was decided to request NIXI to sponsor the redesigning of the site. It should have a Members password protected area, where Minutes of the meetings and other information will be put. The emails membership@isocdelhi.in and info@isocdelhi.in will be created, and their passwords will be with Puneet Tiwari and Ajay Tripathi respectively.

There was lively discussion on what the core activities of Delhi Chapter should be. Till now, Delhi ISOC Chapter has got associated with IPv6 activities of NIXI and ISPAI, computer education in a poor school sponsored by Tulip, participation in TUG (Telecom Users Group) activities etc. It was decided to focus on the following issues:

- Acting as Remote Hub for IGF Meeting in Hyderabad in December.
- Getting Research Studies done in topics such as Local Loop and other issues of relevance (like Broadband Penetration, Use of old computers etc.)
- Making formal presentations to TRAI, Government and other relevant forums on various topics as listed above
- Getting involved in Internet awareness campaigns

The meeting ended with thanks.

Minutes of the Meeting of ISOC Delhi Chapter

Date 1st February 2008, Time 5 to 7 pm

Venue: Tulip, Okhla, Delhi

The following members were present: B.C Jain, Rajesh Aggarwal, Ajay Tripathy, Jatinder Kumar, Col Perhar, Tulika Pandey, Lalit Mathur, Satyen Gupta, Kulin Sanghvi, Puneet Tiwari, Joy Bandekar, Shailender Gupta

First, there was a field visit to nearby school run by an NGO for slum children, where Tulip has sponsored 5 computers for the school kids, and is also helping to provide the computer teacher. Shailender Gupta and Tulika Pandey also took a two hour introductory session with the kids. ISOC Delhi Chapter has also committed necessary help for the software.

The meeting started with ratifying the office bearers. Thereafter there was detailed deliberation on the proposed Bylaws of the Chapter. The Bylaws finally agreed upon unanimously by all the members present are at Annexure-1.

The following members were unanimously chosen for the Membership Committee: Col Perhar, Lalit Mathur and Puneet Tiwari. It was also agreed that Col Perhar will be the Chairman.

The following members were unanimously chosen for the Program Committee: Tulika Pandey, Jatinder Kumar, Satyen Gupta, Shailender Gupta, Kulin Sanghvi, Joy Bandekar and Rajiv. It was also agreed that Tulika Pandey will be the chairperson of this Committee.

It was also unanimously agreed that Elections by Postal Ballot will be held as early as possible, preferably before March end. All office bearers and members of the Membership Committee and Program Committee will hold charge till the Elections are held. Also, till that time, Executive Council will consist of all four Office Bearers and Chairpersons of the Membership Committee and Program Committee.

There was discussion on field activities undertaken. One school for slum children has already been adopted by Tulip and ISOC Delhi. Another school, for blind kids, will also be adopted by ISOC Delhi for creating awareness on the hardware and software needed for the blind kids. There was also discussion on lack of affordable software for the school kids in general, and about the lack of content in Indian languages.

There was an animated discussion on the severe breakdown in Internet across the country due to fault in undersea cables near Egypt. It was agreed that Chairman B. C. Jain will write a letter to concerned authorities so that a debate can ensue on how to respond to such incidents in future.

The Chairman also informed that during the ICANN meet in Delhi this month, there will be a meeting with ISOC Delhi office bearers on 11th February, and there will be a meeting of all members on 13th February. All members of Delhi ISOC Chapter are requested to attend this meeting.

The meeting ended with thanks to the host, Col Perhar.