



Rawalpindi Chamber of Commerce & Industry

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Minutes of the 2nd Meeting of the Executives Committee of the Chamber

Date and Time: 8th November, 2024 2024 at 11:00 AM
Venue: Mian Parvez Aslam Hall
Participants: Mr. Usman Shaukat (President in Chair)
Mr. Khalid Farooq Qazi (SVP)
Mr. Fahad Barlas (VP)
Mr. Saqib Rafiq (Immediate Past President)
Mrs. Falak Anjum
Mr. Mohammad Badar Haroon
Mr. Afzaal Saeed Butt
Mr. Bilal Javed
Mr. Uzair Zahid Bakhtaweri
Mr. Muhammad Samiullah
Mr. Rahman Ullah Khan
Mr. Kamran Saeed
Mr. Attique Ahmed Malik
Mr. Tahir Taj Bhatti
Mr. Akhtar Amin
Mr. Ali Waqas
Ms. Naureen
Mr. Hamza Munir
Mr. Ayad Afzal Sheikh

Regrets: Mr. Bilal Maqbool
Mr. Muhammad Imran
Mr. Waseem Ahmed Minhas
Sardar Tanveer Sarwar

The 2nd meeting of the Executive Committee of the Chamber started with the recitation of Holy Quran by Mr. Mohammad Badar Haroon.

The house offered prayers for the swift recovery and continued good health of Mr. Sohail Altaf, Former President.

Mr. Usman Shaukat welcomed all the Executive Committee Members for their participation in the meeting.

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“Empowering Business”



Later the President started the proceedings according to the following agenda points which were circulated vide letter No.12/2024/3437 (Revised) dated 1st November, 2024.

Res. No.10: To confirm the Minutes of the 1st meeting of the Executive Committee held on 8th October, 2024.

Mr. Usman Shaukat, President RCCI announced the agenda item No. 1 for approval.

Decision

The minutes of the 1st meeting of the Executive Committee Meeting held on 8th October, 2024 were approved by Mr. Mohammad Badar Haroon and seconded by Mr. Afzaal Saeed Butt. House also accorded a unanimous approval for the Minutes of the 1st Executive Committee Meeting.

Res. No.11: To consider the applications for the Chamber's Membership of the firms/companies mentioned in the attached list.

President announced the agenda item No. 2 for approval.

Mr. Mohammad Badar Haroon suggested that the addresses of the companies should be thoroughly checked and verified. He also suggested that the proposer and seconder should also be made mandatory for new applications. Mr. Saqib Rafiq endorsed the suggestions.

Mr. Irfan Manan Khan, Secretary General replied that there are few agents who have registered their fake companies to propose and second the fake membership.

Mr. Afzaal Saeed Butt added that Executive on duty should verify all the cases. He briefed his own experience when he was on duty as Executive in the Chamber.

Mr. Saqib Rafiq added that number of members have changed their addresses but not intimated Chamber regarding their change. This was highlighted during the recent Election campaign when number of businesses was not found on the addresses mentioned in the voters list. He suggested that we should adopt some mechanism to update their addresses.

Decision:

The total of 200 applications for Associate Class and 15 applications for Corporate Class were approved by Mrs. Falak Anjum and seconded by Mr. Bilal Javed. House also accorded a unanimous approval.



Res No.12: To overview the activities from last Executive Committee Meeting till date

President Mr. Usman Shaukat briefed his recent interactions with different Ambassadors and informed that we may consider some sector specific delegation to Jordan, Tashkent, Bosnia, Iraq and Yemen.

During the briefing over online meeting with Dhaka Chamber, President informed that working group has been proposed to further work out the working relationship between Pakistan and Bangladesh.

During discussions over the Egg Day President thanked and appreciated Mr. Sonny Martin for arranging Chef Gulzar Hussain on World Egg Day. President added that we are planning **British Education Day** in Chamber with the collaboration of British Council.

Res. No.13: To discuss monthly financial statement of Chamber

President Mr. Usman Shaukat briefed the financial position to the house and informed that total revenue collected during the past one month was Rs.4,667,400/- and expense incurred was Rs.5,526,523/-

Decision:

Mr. Uzair Zahid Bakhtaweri approved and Mr. Muhammad Samiullah seconded the summary of total revenue and expenses for the month ending month of October, 2024. House unanimously approved the details of revenue and expenses.

Res. No.14: To discuss the upcoming events of RCCI

President Mr. Usman Shaukat briefed the upcoming events of Chamber, which are as follows:

1. World Diabetes Day – 13th November, 2024 –RCCI.
2. Visit of Chairman Senate Syed Yousaf Raza Gillani – 13th November, 2024 – RCCI
3. Belgium Catalog Exhibition – 18th November, 2024 – RCCI.
4. Visit of Indonesian Head of Economics 20th November, 2024- RCCI.
5. Pindi Food Fest 29 November to 1st December, 2024 at Top Rakh, Ayub Park Rawalpindi.

Res. No.15: Approval of RCCI Staff Matters

No staff matters for discussion.



Res. No.16: To discuss the monthly Newsletter and quarterly publication of RCCI

President briefed the house about publication of Monthly and Quarterly publication of RCCI. The house approved the following Editorial Board:

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| 1. Mr. Usman Shaukat | President |
| 2. Mr. Khalid Farooq Qazi | SVP |
| 3. Mr. Fahad Barlas | VP |
| 4. Mr. Muhammad Samiullah | Executive Committee Member |
| 5. Mr. Ali Waqas | Executive Committee Member |
| 6. Ms. Naureen | Executive Committee Member |
| 7. Mr. Irfan Manan Khan | Secretary General RCCI |
| 8. Mr. Zulfiqar Ahmed | PRO RCCI |

The editorial board will assist in preparing/designing monthly & Quarterly Newsletters.

Res. No. 17: Any other point with the permission of the Chair.

Mr. Tahir Taj Bhatti said that traffic and encroachment problems inside the city should be addressed which includes parking area for Motorcycles. He also said that we need to reconstruct the Nullah Lai as many of its segments are encroached and blocked.

Mr. Ali Waqas said that we need Business Facilitation Centre (BFC) in RCCI. He also suggested an expo for women and E-Pak session in Chamber.

President Mr. Usman Shaukat asked Mr. Tahir Taj Bhatti and Mr. Ali Waqas to discuss the topics in detail with him after the meeting.

Mr. Afzaal Saeed Butt suggested that we need the Passport Office in Chamber. He also suggested that the NADRA office in Chamber should also provide regular services as at present it is an executive office only.

Mr. Bilal Javed added that the China Visas are getting refused and we need to talk to the Chinese Embassy to look into cases referred by RCCI.

Mr. Mohammad Badar Haroon suggested that the NADRA office at RCCI should also provide bio-metric services to our members. He also added that we need representation in district committees of local government. President requested him to meet him in his office for detail discussion.

Mr. Saqib Rafiq appreciated Mr. Najam Rehan, President RCCI Medical Welfare Council and requested the Executive Committee Members for maximum donations.

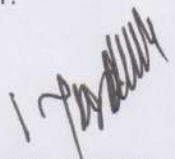


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Mr. Kamran Saeed said that Indian High Commission is not issuing visas to Pakistanis and Chamber should talk to them. President replied that Indian visas are not endorsed due to political tension.

Mr. Hamza Munir added that every 2nd day-new SRO is issued which create problems. There should be a mechanism for issuance of SROs. He also added that there are number of problems with TMA which should be addressed. President requested him to meet him in his office for detailed discussion.

Since there was no other point, the meeting was adjourned with vote of thanks to the chair.


(Iran Manan Khan)
Secretary General