



Rawalpindi Chamber of Commerce & Industry

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Minutes of the 9th Meeting of the Executives Committee of the Chamber

Date and Time: 28 June, 2025 at 11:30 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)
Mr. Bilal Maqbool
Mrs. Falak Anjum
Mr. Mohammad Badar Haroon
Mr. Afzaal Saeed Butt
Mr. Bilal Javed
Mr. Uzair Zahid Bakhtaweri
Mr. Muhammad Imran
Mr. Muhammad Samiullah
Mr. Rahman Ullah Khan
Mr. Kamran Saeed
Mr. Attique Ahmed Malik
Mr. Waseem Ahmed Minhas
Mr. Ali Waqas
Mr. Naveed Kanwal
Sardar Tanveer Sarwar
Mr. Ayad Afzal Sheikh

Not Participated: Mr. Akhtar Amin
Ms. Naureen
Mr. Hamza Munir

The 8th meeting of the Executive Committee of the Chamber commenced with the recitation of the Holy Quran by Mr. Ayad Afzal Sheikh.

Mr. Usman Shaukat welcomed all the Executive Committee Members for their participation in the meeting. Later the President started the proceedings according to the following agenda points which were circulated vide letter No.12/2025/3341 dated 23rd June, 2025.

Res No.64: To confirm the Minutes of the 8th meeting of the Executive Committee held on 31st May, 2025.

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

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“Empowering Business”



Decision

The minutes of the 8th meeting of the Executive Committee held on 31st May, 2025 were approved by Mrs. Falak Anjum and Mr. Mohammad Badar Haroon and seconded by Mr. Afzaal Saeed Butt and Mr. Bilal Javed. House also accorded a unanimous approval for the Minutes of the 8th Executive Committee Meeting.

Res No.65: 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.

Decision:

The total of 91 applications for Associate Class and 21 applications for Corporate Class were approved by Mr. Uzair Zahid Bakhtaweri and Mr. Muhammad Imran and seconded by Mr. Muhammad Samiullah and Mr. Rahman Ullah Khan. House also accorded a unanimous approval.

Res No.66: To overview the activities from last Executive Committee Meeting till date

During the discussions over the past one month activities, President Mr. Usman Shaukat briefed the recent meeting held with Syed Abbas Mehdi, Executive Director Export Development Fund (EDF) board alongwith Chairman Building Committee Mr. Mohammad Nasir Mirza. He informed the house that we have requested them to release the payments as soon as possible which they have assured and accepted. President further informed that we have signed a MoU with National University of Technology (NUTECH) I-12 Islamabad and we have offered 10 x scholarships to the deserving students. All together we require Rs.15 Lac for the students whereas Syed Asad Mashadi has donated Rs.5 Lac for these scholarships. Mr. Saqib Rafiq said that the Executive Committee Members should also add and pool to this fund. President also briefed the recent meeting with Federal Minister for (IT and Telecommunication) Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja where she has requested to highlight the skillset and the courses of IT for the students. President requested the house to give input regarding these courses.

President briefed his discussions with Mr. Najam Rehan, President Medical Welfare Council and requested the house for some regular contribution for the Council. President added that the council is doing a wonderful job under the supervision of Mr. Najam Rehan and we all should support this noble cause. Mr. Mohammad Badar Haroon added that all the members of the Executive Committee used to contribute Rs.10,000/- per annum for the council in the past. This practice may be revived. Mr. Afzaal Saeed Butt suggested that Chamber should also increase its contribution towards Medical Welfare Council and Dastarkhawan. President replied that we are already contributing for the council on monthly basis. After detailed discussions among the members of house. House decided that each member of the Executive Committee will contribute a minimum of Rs.25,000/- per year either from Zakat or Charity. The upper limit was kept open for contribution.



President appreciated Mr. Kamran Saeed for arranging the session on Cyber Crime which was well attended and appreciated by the members. President suggested him to arrange the session again in Chamber on any convenient day.

President informed about the recent donation of RCCI for the Victims of Ghaza & Philistine. Mr. Afzaal Saeed Butt, Mr. Mohammad Badar Haroon alongwith other members of the house appreciated the gesture of Chamber for this donation.

Mr. Rahman Ullah Khan appreciated President Mr. Usman Shaukat for settling down their issues at Dry Port. He informed that there was a locked room at the Dry Port which was locked in the name of Islamabad Chamber of Commerce and Industry and was kept locked for years but now with the intervention of RCCI the room is opened for everyone and anyone can go and sit there with respect.

President Mr. Usman Shaukat briefed about his recent meetings at Higher Education Committee about the allocation of the Research Projects to different students and Research Teams. He showed reservations on the process and topics of Research. Mr. Mohammad Badar Haroon added that topics should be allocated through Chamber/Industry.

During the discussions over the ring road and Economic Zones President informed a new company as a subsidiary of RCCI will be formed to look after all the affairs of Economic Zones alongwith Ring Road Rawalpindi. Mr. Badar Haroon said that Economic Zone should be linked with Dry Port to provide an ease to the businessmen. Mr. Kamran Saeed said that we worked for shifting the Ghalla Manda outside the city in the past and we should pursue government for developing such economic zones rather doing it ourselves. He further said that being an important stakeholder he is never asked nor included in any of the Economic Zone Development Committee led by Syed Asad Mashadi. Mr. Saqib Rafiq said that anyone can be added to the committee and he should contact Syed Asad Mashadi for inclusion. President briefed the meetings with Uzbekistan Delegation and appreciated Mrs. Falak Anjum for arranging this delegation to Chamber.

Res. No.67: 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.13,772,016/- and expense incurred was Rs.13,740,015/-.

Decision:

Mr. Kamran Saeed and Mr. Attique Ahmed Malik approved and Mr. Waseem Ahmed Minhas and Mr. Ali Waqas seconded the summary of total revenue and expenses for the month ending month of May, 2025. House unanimously approved the details of revenue and expenses.

Res. No.68 To discuss the upcoming events of RCCI

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

- Med Health Expo , 29-30 July, 2025 at Pak China Centre Islamabad.
- Gems and Jewellery in September 2025.
- Build Expo 2025



President appreciated Mr. Muhammad Imran for the First Chapter of Revive Peshawar.

Res. No.69: Approval of RCCI Staff Matters

House approved the following staff matter:

- Regularization of the Service of Syed Qamar Abbas, Naib Qasid w.e.f. 17th February, 2025 (after expiry of one year contract agreement).

Mr. Saqib Rafiq added that he has heard some rumors about the resignation of Mr. Mohammad Azan Bhatti as Mr. Azan Bhatti has approached few members and he is asking this matter in front of the house so that everyone know the reason. He asked Secretary General to brief the matter to the House. Mr. Irfan Manan Khan, Secretary General told the house there were 3 cases for Chinese Delegation for Canton Fair who withdrew their cases from Chamber but later on we came to know that all 3 of them have applied for the Chinese Visas in Chinese Embassy. Upon inquiry it was revealed that all the 3 cases applied on Chamber's invitation letter. The matter was confirmed by the Chinese Embassy, however a procedural investigation was carried out and it was found that all the 3 cases were dealt by Mr. Mohammad Azan Bhatt. When the employee was asked he did not have any answer to this matter. During the course of investigation Mr. Azan Bhatti resigned and left the Office. Mr. Irfan Manan further added that we don't see financial involvement in this matter but seemingly the employee has tried to facilitate the applicants to strengthen his personal relations and might be some personal benefits. Mr. Saqib Rafiq inquired whether the employee is officially cleared, Mr. Irfan Manan Khan replied that the employee is not cleared yet.

Res. No. 70: Any other point with the permission of the Chair.

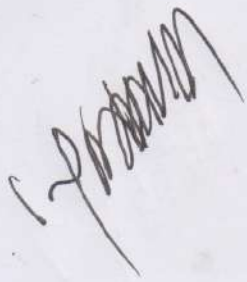
Mr. Afzaal Saeed Butt added that the Training Courses are required for members on the topics like exports, social media etc.

Mr. Bilal Javed requested that the Chief Manager State Bank be called in Chamber to discuss different banking matters.

Sardar Tanveer Sarwar said that the benefits offered by Chamber should be advertised among members and Chamber should also support the members from Bahria Town as they are facing number of problems these days.

Mr. Muhammad Imran added that Access Road to the Industrial Estate is in bad condition and should be repaired as soon as possible. He also added that Toll Plaza is charging toll from both sides and still the government is not repairing the road which is creating the problems for the industrialists.

Mr. Mohammad Badar Haroon highlighting the problems of Non-Development charges as implemented by Management Board as a number of people are approaching with their concerns. He also added that the test for Thalassemia should be made mandatory before



marriages and Chamber should approach the Government for this matter. He also inquired the President about the stance of Chamber on Finance Bill. President replied that Finance Bill has number of anomalies and the Business Community has reservations and we are into discussion with government and other Chamber on different forums. Mr. Badar Haroon further asked the President that what are the exact duties of EC on duty.

Mrs. Falak Anjum stated that certain ambiguities exist on the financial matters of the Egypt Achievement Awards and her reputation is being negatively affected due to this issue. Mrs. Falak demanded that investigation be carried into the issue to ascertain the facts of the matter and clarify her position in the matter.

Mr. Kamran Saeed requested a session with CTO to discuss the Traffic problems of city and a session with Dr. Hafeez on Cyber Crime. He also inquired about Goods Transport Standing Committee and his previous suggestion on naming the room of EC with Mr. Tahir Taj Bhatti. President replied that we will discuss with the seniors if the room can be named as suggested, furthermore he requested Mr. Kamran Saeed to discuss the matter of Standing Committee in person.

Mr. Bilal Maqbool requested everyone to support Med Health Expo 2025 from 29-30 July, 2025 at Pak China Centre Islamabad.

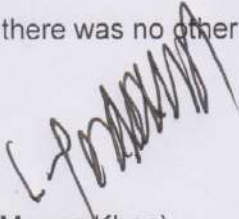
Mr. Naveed Kanwal requested that Chamber Police Coordination Committee should be revived and activated for the larger facilitation of the Business Committee. He also suggested that RDA, TMA and other government department should be approached to clean the drains to avoid any flood in the city during the monsoon season.

Mr. Ali Waqas suggested that the final SOPs for new membership should be circulated among the executive committee members. He also suggested a visit to NDMA.

Mr. Muhammad Samiullah highlighted that FBR is harassing the Business Community with different illegal measures. They should be approached to settle down the problems. He also suggested the CDM Machine be installed in Chamber. President replied that we are already in discussions with different Banks including Bank Al-Falah for setting up a branch office in Chamber.

Mr. Waseem Ahmed Minhas said that the condition of PESSI hospital is not good and we should look into the matter.

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


(Irfan Manan Khan)
Secretary General