

Pakistan: Awami Workers Party launched

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Awami Workers Party was launched yesterday at Awain Iqbal Lahore by holding its founding conference. Over 500 delegates and observers participated in a day long proceeding of the conference.

The conference started by one minute silence in memory of Iqbal Haider, who had died earlier on the day and also for Fanoos Gujjars' wife, who died also on the day. Fanoos Gujjar left Lahore after hearing the news of the death of his wife, he was elected as chairman of Awami Workers party in his absence.

The conference elected a 57 members Federal Committee and later the Federal Committee elected the new office holders of the AWP. They are Abid Hasan Minto (president), Fanoos Gujjar (chairman), Farooq Tariq (general secretary), Dr Hasan Nasir (senior vice president), Baba Jan (vice president), Javed Akhtar (deputy general secretary), Dr Farzana Bari (women secretary), Akhtar Hussain (secretary education), Nasir Mansoor (labour secretary), Younas Rahu (peasant secretary), Hamza Virk (youth secretary), Talib Hussain (finance secretary) and Nisar Shah (information secretary). They are elected for a period of six months and AWP first congress will be held after that.

The draft constitution of AWP was approved by the founding conference.

There was a very good mood of jubilation at the conference and lot of slogans were raised in favour the demands for the working class.

Nisar Shah, information secretary

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