

**(Draft) Minutes of the Fifth Ordinary General Meeting of
The Association of Asia Pacific Physical Societies (AAPPS)
Solo Room, Horison Hotel, Hanoi, Vietnam
08:30, October 24, 2004**

Present were:

Official Representatives of Member Societies (11) and AAPPS President

Peter Johnston (Australian Institute of Physics)
Ling-an Wu (The Chinese Physical Society)
Pak Ming Hui (Hong Kong Physical Society)
Ching Ray Chang (The Physical Society located in Taipei, China)
Thiraphat Vilaithong (Thai Institute of Physics)
Phan Hong Khoi (Vietnam Physical Society)
Hideaki Takabe (The Physical Society of Japan)
Kunio Tada (The Japan Society of Applied Physics)
Dongchul Son (The Korean Physical Society)
Swee-Ping Chia (Malaysian Institute of Physics)
K. K. Phua (South East Asia Theoretical Physics Association)
Prof. Namkung (AAPPS President)

Proxies (1)

The Indian Physics Association (Namkung)

Council Members as Observers (4)

Nguyen Van Hieu (Chair, 9APPC)
Hiroshi Toki
Tien T. Tsong
Michiji Konuma (Special Advisor)

Other Observers (3)

A. Viet (Vietnam)
G. Ushioda (Japan, former President of JPS)
Seunghwan Kim (APCTP, Korea)

1. Opening

Prof. Won Namkung, as President of AAPPS, took the Chair and declared the meeting open.

2. Quorum

It was noted that the presence of eleven members and a non-voting proxy of one member meet the quorum for the OGM meeting, and that therefore the meeting was valid.

3. Agenda

The agenda was adopted.

4. Minutes of Previous Meetings

The Secretary reported the Minutes of the fourth OGM held in Taipei in 2000, and it was noted that the names of awardees of C. N. Yang's Awards should be appended to the minutes.

5. Brief Reports

- (1) President reported on the activities in the fourth council term.
- (2) Prof. T. Tsong briefly reported on the 8APPC.
- (3) Dr. Khoi reported on the status of preparation for 9APPC. He reported that more than 400 people in total registered including 132 participants from outside Vietnam.
- (4) President paid attention to the recent unfortunate illness of Prof. Pauchy Hwang, the Editor-in-Chief of the AAPPS Bulletin.
- (5) President acknowledged of the contracts from UNESCO for the AAPPS Bulletin, and he announced that Dr. Ahmed from UNESCO would come to the 9APPC on Thursday.
- (6) President in lieu of Treasurer reported on the status of AAPPS accounts in Pohang, Korea. The balance, as of October 19, 2004, was U\$15,696.33.
- (7) The JPS reported on the status of Tokyo Accounts. It was noted that the Treasurer should be responsible to report on all the accounts including AAPPS bulletin. It was decided that the Balance of all AAPPS accounts as of Dec. 31, 2004 should be reported by end of January of 2005.
- (8) Prof. Ushioda announced the International Conference of Sustainable Development in Johannesburg, South Africa, and he asked AAPPS for paying attentions to the conference.

7. Election of New Council Members

- (1) The secretary reported on the final slate of fourteen candidates to the new Council members, announcing that there were no more candidates proposed by the member societies.
- (2) The eleven representatives voted and, as the result, thirteen new Council members are elected. Including the ex-officio, the fourteen names are:

Name	From	Continue/New
Won Namkung	POSTECH, Korea	Ex-officio
Tien T. Tsong	Academia Sinica, Taipei	Continue
Swee-Ping Chia	INTI College Malaysia, Malaysia	Continue
Bing-Lin Gu	Tsinghua University, Beijing	Continue
Nguyen Van Hieu	Vietnam National University of Hanoi.	Continue
Caesar Saloma	University of the Philippines, Philippines	Continue
Kunio Tada	Kanazawa Institute of Technology, Japan	New
Hideaki Takabe	Osaka University, Japan	New
Jie Zhang	Chinese Academy of Science, Beijing	New
Pak-Ming Hui	Chinese U. of Hong Kong, Hong Kong	New
Peter Johnston	Royal Melbourne Inst. of Tech., Australia	New
V. C. Sahni	Centre for Advanced Technology, India	New
Seunghwan Kim	POSTECH, Korea	New
W.-Y. Pauchy Hwang	National Taiwan University., Taipei	New

8. The 10th APPC and 11th APPC

- (1) The Korean Physical Society with presentations by Prof. Seunghwan Kim proposed to host the conference in Gyeongju, Korea, while the proposed city would only be a tentative name that could be changed. This proposal was accepted unanimously.
- (2) Prof. Tada and Takabe expressed that Japanese societies would make proposal for the 11th APPC in 2007.

9. The AAPPS C. N. Yang Award

Prof. Khoi presented that the Vietnam Physical Society selected two candidates (Dr. Duc and Dr. Nguyen) for the AAPPS C. N. Yang Award to be given at the 9th APPC. The representatives reviewed the candidates CV and approved them unanimously.

10. Membership

Prof. Nguyen Van Hieu proposed the Vietnam Physical Society will replace the NCST in current AAPPS membership. It was seconded by Prof. Tsong and approved unanimously.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:00, October 24, 2004.

(Drafted by D. Son and edited by W. Namkung)