

Minutes of the 12th APEC Biennial General Meeting

Friday 25th April, 2009
Cosmos Hall, Toshi Center Hotel
Tokyo, Japan

1. Call to order

The Meeting was called to order at 12:30pm by the President, Prof. Hideaki SUDA (Japan), who presided in the Chair.

2. Roll call

An attendance form was signed by 9 organizational members and representatives of national endodontic societies (see list attached to these Minutes). Participants were from Australia, Indonesia, Iran, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, and Taiwan.

3. Apologies

Apologies had been received from Dr. Seung-Tae KIM (Treasurer of APEC, Australia), Dr. Ernest R VIZCARRA (Honorary Life Member of APEC, Philippines), Dr. Gary CHEUNG (Honorary Auditor of APEC, Hong Kong), Prof. Ma Edna JIMENA (Past President of APEC, Philippines), Dr. Phillippe O ZIMET (Past President of APEC, Australia), Dr. Dewi A MARGONO (Councillor, Indonesia), Dr. Masoud PARIROKH (Councillor, Iran), Dr. Jac Meng LAM (Councillor, Malaysia) and Prof. Samuel DORN (Councillor, USA).

4. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 11th Biennial General Meeting which was held on Friday 27th April, 2007 at 5:30pm in Nuri Room, Jakarta Convention Center, Jakarta, Indonesia

The President stated that the Minutes had been circulated to all members and hence the Meeting accepted that the Minutes be considered as having been read. He also reported that the Councillor Meeting for this BGM had accepted the Minutes after correcting some minor spelling errors.

A motion was moved to accept these Minutes as a true and accurate record of that Meeting – proposed by Dr. Gerald Kian-Chong LIM (Singapore), seconded by Prof. Seung Jong LEE (Korea). Accepted unanimously.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes

5.1 Regional Journal – archiving the meeting

The President stated that an article on the previous APEC Meeting in Jakarta was published in the Australian Endodontic Journal (AEJ), 33(3):148, 2007.

5.2 Motion “APEC adopts the Australian Endodontic Journal as the official publication of the Confederation.”

A motion was moved by Dr. Gerald Kian-Chong LIM (Singapore) to accept and seconded by Dr. Marcus YAN (Australia). Accepted unanimously.

6. Membership

The President reported that APEC has one honorary life member, 12 organizational members and 3 individual members.

7. Constitution

The President reported that the agenda was circulated one month before the BGM and there was no proposal for amendment.

8. President’s report

The President, Prof. Hideaki SUDA (Japan) reported on the matter of IAE (International Association of Endodontology) and stated that ESE decided not to pursue the IAE, and therefore, after a long dispute, the establishment of IAE was abandoned. He thanked Prof. Paul ABBOTT, Past President of APEC and Dr. Gerald KC LIM, Immediate-past President of APEC, who worked with him on this matter. He reported the 11th Biennial General Meeting and the 14th Scientific Meeting of APEC were held in Jakarta, Indonesia in 2007. He thanked Dr. Dewi A MARGONO and Indonesian LOC members. He also thanked the Chair of this Scientific Meeting, Prof. Nobuyuki TANI-ISHI (Japan) and Japan LOC members for the 12th Biennial General Meeting and the 15th Scientific Meeting of APEC, Tokyo, Japan in 2009. The President expressed his gratitude to the Australian Endodontic Association for sponsoring the APEC web site and providing the APEC with a home. He also thanked Dr. Ralph Reid, Editor-in-Chief of AEJ for his support

in publishing APEC activities in the Journal. Finally, The President thanked all those with whom he worked over the last two years during his presidency.

A motion was moved by Dr. Gerald Kian-Chong LIM (Singapore) to accept the President's report and seconded by Prof. Paul V ABBOTT (Australia). Accepted unanimously.

9. Secretary's report

The Secretary, Prof. Sung Kyo KIM (Korea) reported that all the materials for the BGM had been circulated to all members, hence the Meeting accepted that the report be considered as having been read. He also reported that the Country reports (APEX) were submitted from 12 member countries and was thankful to those who provided the Country Reports. He also thanked Prof. Nobuyuki Tani-Ishii, the Congress Chairperson; Prof. Hiroshi Nakamura, the President of Japan Endodontic Association (JEA); and Japanese LOC members for their organizing the 15th APEC Scientific Meeting, April 24-26, 2009 in Tokyo, Japan. He also acknowledged and thanked the Australian Society of Endodontology (ASE) for maintaining the APEC website at ADA as well as publishing activities and news of APEC matters in the AEJ. Finally he specially thanked all those with whom he worked over the last two years during his secretaryship.

A motion was moved by Prof. Hideaki SUDA (Japan) to accept the Secretary's Report and seconded by Prof. Paul V ABBOTT (Australia). Accepted unanimously.

10. Treasurer's report and Financial Statement

Because the Treasurer, Dr. Seung-Tae KIM (Australia), was absent, the President reported it on his behalf. The Treasurer's report had been circulated to all members, hence the Meeting accepted that the report be considered as having been read.

10.1 Membership rates

The President stated that the Membership rates be remained the same as before.

10.2 Others

None.

A motion was moved by Prof. Hideaki SUDA (Japan) to accept the Treasurer's report and the Financial Statement and seconded by Prof. Seung Jong LEE (Korea). Accepted unanimously.

11. Election of office bearers and Councillors

The following had been duly proposed for the listed positions. All nominations were unopposed and hence the President declared the nominees as being elected:

President	Dr. Akbar KHAYAT	Iran	Automatically proceeded
President -elect	Prof. Sung Kyo KIM	Korea	New election
Secretary	Dr. Seung-Tae KIM	Australia	New election
Treasurer	Dr. Seung-Tae KIM	Australia	Same as before
Immediate Past President	Prof. Hideaki SUDA	Japan	Automatically proceeded
Hon. Auditor	Prof. Seung Jong LEE	Korea	Same as before
Hon. Auditor	Dr. Gary CHEUNG	Hong Kong	Same as before

A motion was moved by Prof. Hideaki SUDA (Japan) to accept this decision and seconded by Dr. Gerald Kian-Chong LIM (Singapore). Accepted unanimously.

12. Honorary Life Members

The President declared the nomination of Prof. Paul ABBOTT as an Honorary Life Member of APEC. Prof. ABBOTT was the President of APEC 1997-1999, and the President of IFEA 2004-2007.

A motion was moved by Prof. Hideaki SUDA (Japan) to accept this decision and seconded by Prof. Seung Jong LEE (Korea). Accepted unanimously.

13. Any other business

13.1 Other countries to join APEC

The President reported that he had contacted Pakistan, Bahrain, and Thailand which showed interest in joining APEC and the President had sent the constitution of APEC to these countries. But there was no response yet.

13.2 Maintaining the Web site and links

The President thanked ADA Inc. for sponsoring the APEC web site.

13.3 Registration of APEC Constitution

The President reported that APEC had lost its registration in Hong Kong and stated that we should know whether APEC needs to be registered. Dr. Gerald Kian-Chong LIM (Singapore) volunteered to contact Dr. Robert Ng or Dr. Gary Cheung (Hong Kong) on this matter.

13.4 Others

Dr. Gerald Kian-Chong LIM (Singapore) suggested having additional APEC Councillor Meetings between two successive BGMs in order to discuss APEC affairs including the following Scientific Meeting. It was decided that the new office bearers should take it into consideration.

14. Next meeting (in 2011)

The president stated that APEC had decided to have stand alone meetings whenever possible and suggested to have the next meeting in Iran under new President. The new President, Dr. Akbar KHAYAT (Iran), replied and suggested to decide its place, Iran (new President) or Korea (new President-elect), in the next 3 months.

A motion was moved by Dr. Akbar KHAYAT (Iran) to accept this decision and seconded by Prof. Hideaki SUDA (Japan). Accepted unanimously.

15. Closure of meeting

The President-elect, Dr. Akbar KHAYAT (Iran), expressed deepest thanks to the President, Prof. Hideaki SUDA (Japan), for the great accomplishments during his presidency. The President, Prof. Hideaki SUDA (Japan) declared that the 2011 APEC Meeting will be notified within three months and finally thanked all those in attendance for their time and interest in attending. The Meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm.

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