

**PACIFIC RIM COLLEGE OF PSYCHIATRISTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Friday, 26 October 2018 13:30 – 16:00

Sedona Hotel Yangon (Ahlone Room)

Present: Prof Tsuyoshi Akiyama, Prof Mian Yoon Chong, Prof Susan Shur-Fen Gau, Prof Helen Herrman, Prof Hiram Mok, Prof Philip Morris, Prof Yong Chon Park, Prof Edmond Pi, Dr. Alan Teo, Prof Pichet Udomratn

Apology: Dr Isao Asai, Dr Susanna Every-Palmer, Dr Julian Freidin, Prof Soma Ganesan, Prof Hong Ma, Dr Narei Hong, Prof Hai-Gwo Hwu, Prof Ee Heok Kua, Prof Min Soo Lee, Prof Chee Ng, Prof Tao Li, Dr Shaohua Lu, Prof Shinji Shimodera, Prof Nor Zuraida Zainal

1. Welcome and Quorum

Prof Pichet Udomratn called the meeting to order at 13:30, welcomed members of the Board and declared a quorum.

2. Apology

Prof Akiyama reported that Dr Isao Asai, Dr Susanna Every-Palmer, Dr Julian Freidin, Prof Soma Ganesan, Prof Hong Ma, Dr Narei Hong, Prof Hai-Gwo Hwu, Prof Ee Heok Kua, Prof Min Soo Lee, Prof Chee Ng, Prof Tao Li, Dr Shaohua Lu, Prof Shinji Shimodera and Prof Nor Zuraida Zainal sent apology.

3. Approval of 2016 Board Meeting Minutes

The minutes of 2016 Board meeting was submitted and approved unanimously.

4. 18th PRCP meeting in Yangon

Prof Tin Oo reported on the 18th PRCP meeting. Registration is reported as 427. Prof Oo secured HelpAge International support. The scientific program is full, and there are 245 local delegates. Prof Pichet Udomratn and the whole board thanked Prof Tin Oo, Prof Kyi Min Tun and all Myanmar colleagues for their hard work and great contribution.

5. President's Report

Prof Udomratn reported on the success of Yangon meeting and the PRCP activities during the two years, including organization of symposium and workshop at the 5th Asian Congress of Schizophrenia Research (ACSR) meeting

in Bangkok, distribution of newsletter with Prof Philip Morris as editor, development of collaboration with AFPA and RANZCP, and initiation of Special Interest Group (SIG).

6. Withdrawal of Board Members

Prof Akiyama reported on the withdrawal of Prof Hai Gwo Hwu, Prof Ee Heok Kua, Prof Min Soo Lee and Dr. Shaohua Lu from the board. Prof Udomratn expressed thanks and appreciation to the withdrawing members on behalf of the board.

7. Membership Dues and Update

Prof Akiyama reported on the summary of membership between 2016 and 2018. Prof Alan Levenson (USA), Prof Masahisa Nishizono (Japan) and Prof Ee Heok Kua (Singapore) were approved as new emeritus members. The secretariat will send an invitation email to non-PRCP member presenter of 2018 congress with CC to the board members of the country or the region. As of now there are 68 regular members and 50 emeritus members. There was a discussion how we can increase the membership and waiver of one year annual fee for early career psychiatrists applying from Yangon Congress.

8. Financial Report

Prof Akiyama read the financial summary between 2016 and 2018 as prepared by Dr. Freidin. The finance of the PRCP is in a stable condition with the asset of USD 118,000 on 31 December 2017, expected loss around USD 2,000 during the year when there is no income from the Congress, which can be offset by income from the Congress.

9. Election of Board Members

Chair of the Nomination Committee submitted a slate of the current board members who agreed to continue serving on the board. Dr. Itsuo Asai, Dr. Susanna Every-Palmer, Dr. Julian Freidin, Prof Soma Ganesan, Prof Susan Gau, Prof Helen Herrman, Prof Hong Ma, Prof Narei Hong, Prof Hiram Mok, Prof Shinji Shimodera, Dr. Alan Teo and Prof Nor Zuraida Zainal will continue serving as board members. Prof Pichet Udomratn serves as Immediate Past President. Prof Tin Oo and Prof Kan Seob Oh were elected as new board members. Prof Samuel Law and Prof Andi Tanra may be considered after they are accepted as a member of the PRCP, and their intention to become a board member is confirmed.

10. Election of Secretary General

Prof Tsuyoshi Akiyama was elected as Secretary General.

11. Election of Treasurer

Dr Julian Freidin resigned as Treasurer and Prof Udomratn expressed thanks and appreciation to Dr Freidin's contribution to the PRCP on behalf of the board. Prof Philip Morris was elected as Treasurer.

12. Election of Vice Presidents

Prof Tao Li, Prof Yong Chon Park, and Prof Edmond Pi were elected as Vice President.

13. Election of President-Elect

Prof Chee Ng was elected as President-Elect.

14. Newsletter Planning

Prof Philip Morris agreed to take charge of the newsletter.

15. Asia –Pacific Psychiatry Journal

Prof Pichet Udomratn read the report prepared by Prof Chee Ng. The board will ask Prof Chee Ng to report on the progress on making the journal as joint journal between PRCP and AFPA.

16. PRCP bylaws amendment

The amendment to create Distinguished Fellow status was unanimously approved with a note on the transition procedures.

17. PRCP Future Plans

The PRCP aims to activate the collaboration with the societies in the region and with the AFPA. Also, the procedures to activate networking among the members were discussed, including special interest group, dissemination of message from members, and invitation of inputs for the planning of biennial congress.

18. 19th PRCP Meeting in 2020

Bangkok in liaising with the World Congress of Psychiatry and Malaysia were discussed as candidates. Prof Mian Yoon Chong will follow up within three

months.

19. 20th PRCP Meeting in 2022

Prof Philip Morris offered to host a meeting in Australia in 2022.

20. Other business

There was no other business.

21. Next meeting

Prof Mian Yoon Chong will explore the possibility of meeting at the time of World Congress of Asian Psychiatry in Sydney in February 21-24, 2019 and 6th ACSR meeting in Guangzhou in September 18-20, 2019.

Prof Pichet Udomratn expressed his appreciation for the collaboration of the board members during two years of his tenure and Prof Helen Herrman expressed the gratefulness of the whole board for the great leadership exerted by Prof Pichet Udomratn.

Respectfully submitted by Tsuyoshi Akiyama