

Annual General Meeting

May 20, 2016

National Taiwan Normal University

Taipei, Taiwan

1. Welcome and Introductions of the Board (2015 - 2016 fiscal year)

Officers:

- **President:** Ms Cheri Butler (present)
- **President Elect:** Dr. Narender Chadha (present)
- **Past President:** Dr. Hsiu-lan (Shelley) Tien (present)
- **Treasurer:** Mr. Andrew Rimington
- **Secretary:** Ms Diana Bailey

Committee Directors

- **Bylaws & Policies Committee:** OPEN
- **Membership Committee:** Ms Satomi Chudasama
- **Newsletter Committee:** Ms Natalie Kauffman
- **Nominations & Elections Committee:** Dr. Hsiu-lan (Shelley) Tien (present)
- **Professional Development Committee:** Ms Soonhoon Ahn (present)
- **Public Relations Committee:** Dr. Lisa Raufman (present)
- **Research Committee:** Dr. Tao-Ting Sung

Country Directors

- **Australia:** Ms Carole Brown
- **Canada:** Dr. Jose Domene (present)
- **China:** Dr. Leili Jin (present)
- **Guam:** Dr. Leah Beth Naholowaa
- **Hong Kong:** Dr. Joseph Chan
- **India:** Dr. Vandana Gambhir
- **Indonesia:** Mr. William Gunawan
- **Japan:** Mr. Yoshiji Ishikawa (present)
- **Korea:** Mr. Sungsik Ahn (present)
- **Macau:** Mr. Elvo Sou (present)
- **New Zealand:** Ms Jean Ottley
- **Pakistan:** Mr. Raza Abbas
- **Philippines:** Ms Carla Siojo (present)
- **Singapore:** Ms Sing Chee Wong (present)
- **Taiwan:** Dr. Yu-Jen Wang
- **USA:** Ms Ellen Weaver Paquette
- **Vietnam:** Ms Minh Chau Nguyen (present)

Staff:

- **Executive Director:** Dr. Marilyn Maze

2. **Approval of Minutes of the last meeting:** the minutes of the 2015 Tokyo meeting (see AGM Report) were approved by those present.

3. **President Report:** President Cheri Butler reviewed the accomplishments of the past year (see AGM Report) including the 2015 conference and 3 webinars.

4. **Financial Report:** Marilyn Maze reviewed the financial Report in the absence of Andrew Rimington, Treasurer (see AGM Report). Financial reserves for APCDA have steadily increased.

5. Recognition of Legacy Partners

Definition of Legacy Partner: Individual or organizational member who strongly supports APCDA (\$950 minimum donation). They are:

- Han Kok Kwang
- Dick Knowdell
- Roberta Floyd
- Soonhoon Ahn
- Marilyn Maze
- Cheri Butler

6. Recognition of Emerging Leaders

Definition of Emerging Leader: Graduate Student or recent graduate who:

- a. Has contributed to the field of career counseling through work or research
- b. Plans to use the information obtain at this conference to contribute to the field of career counseling

There were 7 applicants and 3 very impressive winners, who received free registration for the conference.

- Dr. Chao Mei Chiang, University of British Columbia, Canada (present)
- Dr. Vandana Gambhir, Keshav Mahavidyalaya, University of Delhi, India
- Yuan-Ying Jin, Korea University, Korea (present)

7. Awards

- **Natalie Kauffman** - For her boundless enthusiasm for excellence of the Asia Pacific Career Developments (Esther Tan accepted the award on Natalie's behalf)
- **Korea:** For developing a comprehensive program to advance the career development of youth (Sungsik Ahn accepted the award on behalf of Korea)

8. Nominations for Upcoming Election:

Brian Hutchison was nominated for President-Elect and accepted the nomination. He will be running against Raza Abbas, who was previously nominated.

Open Director positions are normally filled by those who volunteer. Lisa Raufman had volunteered to fill the Membership Director position, leaving Public Relations (PR) Director open. Clive Findlay accepted the PR Director for LinkedIn, Miguelito Relente accepted the PR Director for Facebook, and Woongtae Kim accepted the Bylaws and Policies Director. All were invited to the Board Meeting following the General Member Meeting.

9. Announcement of the Member Survey

The 2016 Member & Friend Survey is now open on the APCDA website. Please reply by the end of June.

10. Poll on 2019 Conference host country

Vietnam previously submitted a proposal to host the 2019 conference. During the conference, both Singapore and India volunteered as hosts. In order to determine the preferences of the membership, each of these 3 countries spoke briefly, then a poll was taken of those present. Encouragement for each related to the number of local career professional who might attend and the cost of traveling to the country. It was explained that we will hold our conference in a different Asia Pacific country each year, so all would have a chance at some point.

11. Discussion topics:

1. How can we increase the membership?
2. How can we reach out to other countries?
3. How can we keep our members engaged?

Ideas included:

- Asking Supporting Members for their email lists. Lists from ICCL and Singapore were offered.
- We should try to make our LinkedIn group more active. Public Relations could focus on various types of specialty areas, such as working with disabilities, etc. This might cause more lively discussions on LinkedIn.
- We should reach out to human resources, accrediting bodies, and schools
- Other countries could sponsor trips for Board members to visit them and speak at their meetings
- New professionals could receive one year of free membership. We need to reach out to accrediting bodies to find out who is new to our profession and offer free memberships to newly graduated/accredited members.