

Minutes of AC Meeting of AFSUMB

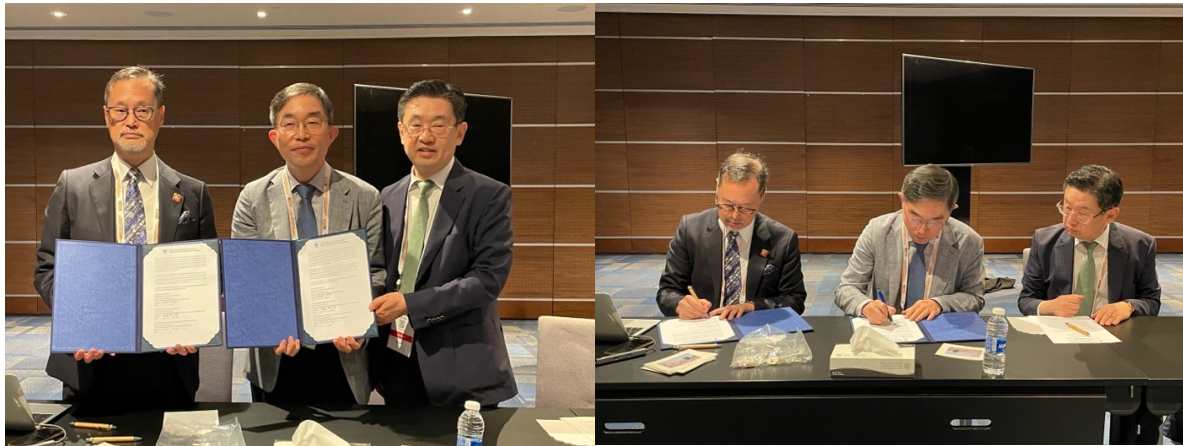
Time: 13:00 to 15:00 (Oman Time) on Monday, November 6, 2023

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Zoom Meeting ID: 207 328 1200 Passcode: 20231106

ATTENDEES: Onsite: 18, Online: 2

Position	Name	Attendance	
President	Iwaki Akiyama (JSUM)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
Immediate Past-President	Yung-Liang Wan (CTSUM)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
President-Elect	Jeong Yeon Cho (KSUM)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
Vice-President 1	Sudheer Gokhale (IFUMB)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
Vice-President 2	Jae Young Lee (KSUM)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
Secretary	Ching-Chang Hsieh (CTSUM)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
Treasurer	Masayuki Kitano (JSUM)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
Councilors	Jung-Eun Cheon (KSUM)	Absent	Request a leave of absence
	Akihiko Kikuchi (JSUM)	Absent	Request a leave of absence
	Ashwin Lawande (IFUMB)	Absent	No reply
	San-Kan Lee (CTSUM)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
	Kowk Yin Leung (HKSUM)	Online	Request a leave of absence
	Ping Liang (CMA/CSUM)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
Co-opted Councilors	Kanu Bala (BSU)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
	TP Baskaran (MSUM)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
	Erdenebileg Bavuujav (MSDU)	Onsite	Reply to attend
	Musarrat Hasan (USP)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
	Quan P.B. Nguyen (VSUM)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
	H. Sidharta (ISUM)	Absent	Request a leave of absence
	Tuangsit Wataganara (MUST)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
Representatives	Mukhtar Alam Ansari (USN)	Absent	Request a leave of absence
	Saqar Altai (OSUM)	Onsite	Host
	Gervais Wansaicheong Khin-Lin (MUSS)	Online	No reply
	Patria Cecilia Martinez (PSUCMI)	Absent	Request a leave of absence
Journal Editor	Yi-Hong Chou (CTSUM)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend
Website/Newsletter Editor	Hideyuki Hasegawa (JSUM)	Onsite	Speaker and Reply to attend



Before the AC Meeting, the Contract Ceremony was held for the AFSUMB 2024 Congress between AFSUMB and KSUM. From the left to right are Prof Iwaki Akiyama (AFSUMB), Prof Jae-Joon Chung, and Prof Jeong Yeon Cho (KSUM).

Agenda 1. Announcement and introduction of attendees

Agenda 2. Announcement of absence and substitute

Mukhtar Alam Ansari (USN); Jung-Eun Cheon (KSUM); Akihiko Kikuchi (JSUM); Ashwin Lawande (IFUMB); Patria Cecilia Martinez (PSUCMI); H. Sidharta (ISUM)

Agenda 3. Greetings from the President, Dr. Iwaki Akiyama

Agenda 4. Apologies for absence and introduction of observers

Mukhtar Alam Ansari (USN); Jung-Eun Cheon (KSUM); Akihiko Kikuchi (JSUM); Ashwin Lawande (IFUMB); Patria Cecilia Martinez (PSUCMI); H. Sidharta (ISUM)

Agenda 5. The minutes of the last AC meeting on December 14, 2022.

Attendees: 16 members onsite with 4 members online, please see [\[Attachment 1\]](#)

Agenda 6. President's Report by Dr. Iwaki Akiyama [\[Attachment 2\]](#)

President report:

Right now we have 17 affiliated societies of AFSUMB. But there are 48 countries in Asia according to the report of United Nations. This means it is just 38%. According to the preamble of the constitution we need to promote more countries to be an affiliated society of AFSUMB. But as you may know, many countries have small populations.

According to the Constitution and by-laws, a new society becomes an official affiliated society after 2 years of provisional membership. During this period, annual subscription fee is waived.

I would like to propose the new category of affiliated society as follows;

The annual subscription fee is waived.

The number of members must be less than 100.

The society has no voting right at the AC meeting.

The society has no right to recommend an administrative councilor as well as a co-opt councilor.

The society has no right to hold AFSUMB Congress.

The society has right to hold AFSUMB Workshop.

After the provisional membership, the society must choose either of this category or a normal affiliated society with duty.

Currently this issue is under discussion at the Constitution Committee.

The Constitution Committee will propose this issue at the AC meeting and General Assembly in Korea in 2024.

Agenda 7. Secretary's Report by Dr. Peter C.C. Hsieh [Attachment 3]

1. July 17, 2023. Prof Saqar Altai of OSUM emailed Dr. Hsieh regarding the AFSUMB workshop in Oman, originally arranged on Nov. 4, 2023. He made the final decision to hold the AFSUMB AC meeting only.
2. July 28, 2023, JST, 20:30- 21:30, Constitution Committee online Meeting. **(Agenda 11, [Attachment 11])** Chaired by Prof Gokhale, Conclusion: A) Principally all transactions of payments received by AFSUMB, and reimbursements made to AC members should be by electronic transfer. In exceptional cases, if the affiliate countries have difficulty in electronic transfer, then at the discretion of office bearers in consultation with AC a cash transfer can be done. B) PISUM application: No Constitutional statute and By-Laws restrict accepting the application. C) Congress agreement between AFSUMB and KSUM will be signed in Nov. at Muscat, Oman after the final revised version is done. D) Prof Iwaki Akiyama will propose a new class of affiliated membership to AFSUMB at the next CC Meeting. E) Secretary of AFSUMB should warn the affiliate organizations whose contributions get delayed. The constitution leaves it to the discretion of office bearers and AC, whether to apply fine for delayed payment.
3. July 30, 2023, Dr. Peter Hsieh emailed Dr. Gervais of MUSS reminding of his prior proposal on Dec. 14, 2022 AC meeting about AFSUMB workshop in Singapore in the future.
4. Aug. 5, 2023, Prof Kanu Bala of Bangladesh Society of Ultrasound (BSU) emailed Dr. Hsieh about the willingness of BSU to hold AFSUMB 2028 at Dhaka. Attached files included Application letter, Program outline, Venue (Intercontinental Hotel), General information, Places of interest in Dhaka. We will make final decision on AC meeting during AFSUMB Congress 2024 Seoul. **(Agenda 16)**
5. Sep. 9, 2023, 10-12 am CEST (4-6 pm HK/Taiwan time) First WFUMB AFSUMB student webinar. Topics: 1) Anatomy, US and intervention of Salivary gland by Prof YL Wan 2) US of Prostate by Prof JY Cho. There were about 200-300 registered participants. It's the milestone for the AFSUMB taking part in the event of Student Webinar.
6. Sep. 11, 2023, Prof Gokhale, the co-president of the AFSUMB Congress 2022 Hyderabad, emailed Dr. Hsieh about the surplus division of the Congress and were ready to transfer the surplus to the AFSUMB account. In favor of the AFSUMB account funding, we thank all of them for their efforts of all organizing committee of the AFSUMB 2022 at Hyderabad.

7. Oct. 14, 2023, 10-12 am CEST (4-6 pm HK/Taiwan time) Second WFUMB AFSUMB student webinar. Topics: 1) Safety use of ultrasound for medical diagnosis by Prof Naotaka Nitta 2) Ultrasound technology and development by Prof. Hasegawa. There were about 200-300 registered participants.
8. Oct. 19, 2023, Prof. Leung chaired the EC online meeting, two topics were discussed 1) Proposal on AFSUMB workshop 2024 Dhaka, 2) Report on progress of WFUMB AFSUMB student webinars.
9. Oct. 26, 2023, JST. 7 pm. Administrative officers meeting. Prof Iwaki reported recent WFUMB administrative office's job description. All officers have reviewed the draft of Agenda for the AC meeting.
10. Nov. 6, 2023, Oman time 1-3 pm. Second AC meeting of the AFSUMB in 2023 was held at room 10 of the Muscat Convention Centre, 3th day of the WFUMB Congress.
11. Please review the administrative officers (President, Secretary, and Secretariat) of each affiliated society, their terms, and update the information to Dr. Hsieh. [Attachment 4]

Agenda 8. Treasurer's Report by Masayuki Kitano [Attachment 5,6]

Agenda 9. Journal Editor's Report: by Dr. Yi-Hong Chou [Attachment 7]

Agenda 10. Website/Newsletter Editor's Report: by Dr. Hideyuki Hasegawa [Attachment 8]

Agenda 11. Committee Reports

- 1) Education Committee Report: Dr. Kowk Yin Leung [Attachment 9]
- 2) History/Archiving Committee Report: Dr. Musarrat Hasan [Attachment 10]
- 3) Constitution Committee: Dr. Sudheer Gokhale [Attachment 11]
- 4) Ultrasound Contrast Agent Committee: Dr. Jae Young Lee [Attachment 12]
- 5) Ultrasound Safety Committee: Dr. Akihiko Kikuchi [Attachment 13]
- 6) Nomination Committee: Dr. Jeong Yeon Cho No report

Agenda 12. WFUMB 2023 Congress Report

Dr. Saqar Altai gave brief reports of WFUMB at Muscat (Nov. 4-7, 2023).

Agenda 13. AFSUMB 2024 Congress Report

Dr. Cho reported the AFSUMB 2024 at Seoul (May 9-11, 2024). [Attachment 14]

Agenda 14. WFUMB 2025 Congress Report

Prof. Akiyama (JSUM) introduced the promotional video of the WFUMB 2025 at Kyoto (May 29- June 1, 2025). He also sent emails with links of 2 versions of the promotional video to all AC members.

1) Short version

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2) Long version

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Agenda 15. AFSUMB 2026 Congress Report

Dr. Bao Quan NGUYENPHUOC (VSUM) reported the recent progress of the AFSUMB 2026 (March 6-8, 2026 at Hanoi, Vietnam).

Agenda 16. Application of BSU for AFSUMB 2028 Congress

Prof Bala, on behalf of Bangladesh Society of Ultrasound (BSU), applied to hold AFSUMB 2028 Congress at Dhaka. Attached files included Application letter, Program outline, Venue (Intercontinental Hotel), General information, Places of interest in Dhaka. [Attachment 15, 16, 17, 18, 19]

Agenda 17. AFSUMB Education Workshop Report

- 1) WFUMB Organizing Committee invited AFSUMB to organize the AFSUMB Workshop during WFSUMB 2023 at Muscat on November 4, 2023. But due to some reasons, WFUMB Organizing Committee declined to do that.
- 2) On March 5, 2023, Prof. Bala from BSU proposed to hold 21st AFSUMB Workshop 2024 in Bangladesh on March 1-2, 2024. Theme: “Leading Edge Ultrasonography”. Venue: BIAM Foundation, 63 New Eskaton, Dhaka 1000, Bangladesh. Prof. Leung, our AFSUMB education committee chairperson, accepted this proposal and on Oct. 19, 2023 had discussed this issue during the education committee meeting. [Attachment 9]
- 3) On Nov. 6 at AC meeting, Dr. Gervais Wansaicheong Khin-Lin, on behalf of the MUSS, will propose to hold an AFSUMB workshop at Singapore in 2025 with application letter, program outline, venue, general information.

Agenda 18. Report of WFUMB students’ webinars by AFSUMB speakers in 2023

Prof. Yung-Liang Wan updated student’s webinars of WFUMB as below:

According to the history, it has been the honor of the AFSUMB to host the WFUMB-AFSUMB student webinar for the first time. After discussion in the EC and AC meetings, the AFSUMB decided to host the student webinars, including 5 sessions beginning from September 2023 to July 2024. There are two relevant topics in each session delivered by two speakers, respectively. The first two sessions were successfully completed on September 9 and October 14. There is rehearsal planned and assisted by the EC two weeks before each session. The webinars are recorded and edited before loading to the WFUMB website.

Agenda 19. Application of the Pacific Islands Societies of Ultrasound in Medicine (PISUM)

After the Constitution Committee cleared the AFSUMB Constitution and By-Law statute, application of the PISUM as an affiliated society of AFSUM was approved by majority vote of the AC meeting. The PISUM will become a provisional member of the

AFSUMB if approval at the General Assembly in Seoul, Korea on May 10, 2024. Annual membership subscription fees are waived during the two-year provisional period. The PISUM plans to become an official member of AFSUMB 2 years later.

Agenda 20. New or other business

Prof. Yung-Liang Wan reported that during the WFUMB 2023 conference in Muscat, Oman. Dr. Susan Westerway and Dr. Jo McCann from ASUM stated that the Pacific Islands Society of Ultrasound in Medicine (PISUM), affiliated with ASUM and serving as the Center of Excellence (COE) for WFUMB has applied for affiliation with AFSUMB. The ultrasound practice in PISUM is currently in its early stages, and due to limited resources in PISUM, they kindly inquire if any AFSUMB members could volunteer to PISUM for the ultrasound education involve delivering lectures and providing hands-on instructions to their members.

Agenda 21. Place and date of the next AC meeting

May 9, 2024 (Thursday), at 10: 00 AM, Coex, Seoul, Korea

Agenda 22. Closing Remarks from the President

Agenda 23. Adjournment and Group photos.

