

Report from Education Committee to AFSUMB 2019

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Prof. WJ Lee contacted several companies on the financial support on AFSUMB education activities. Enough funding was secured to support two AFSUMB workshops in 2019

2. AFSUMB workshop 2019 Dhaka

22nd WFUMB COE and AFSUMB workshop were successfully held in Dhaka 2019. Thanks to Prof. Kanu Bala, the local organizing committees, and the AFSUMB EC.

An informal EC meeting was held in Dhaka on 2 March, 2019. The minutes was attached (Appendix 2).

3. AFSUMB workshop 2019 Jakarta

Dr. Sidharta, the local organizing committee, would like to invite our EC committee to give suggestions and advices on the program. After collecting all the input, Dr. KY Leung had compiled a list of anonymous recommendations to Dr. Sidharta.

4. New Education Programs- hands on workshops

During the two EC meetings, Prof. WJ Lee introduced and briefed EC about the new Education programs- hands on workshops supported by industry, and this new program was discussed.

5. AFSUMB workshops 2020

Both Nepal Society and Mongolia Society showed an interest in organizing AFUSMB workshop in 2020. Dr. KY Leung had contacted the representatives from these two countries for confirmation, and reminded them to organize their workshop before the AFSUMB Congress in Beijing, China 2020 August.

Prof. Mukhtar Alam Ansari, President, Ultrasound Society of Nepal replied that they planned to organize AFSUMB workshop in Kathmandu by end of April 2020.

Dr. Sonin Sodov, representing Mongolia Society had forwarded the message to Dr Enkhbayar Dondog, President of MSDU, Director of WFUMB COE Mongolia and Dr Erdenebileg Bavuujav, Secretary General of MSDU, Education Coordinator of WFUMB COE Mongolia for their reply.

Dr. KY Leung
Chairman, EC, AFSUMB

Appendix 1

Minutes of informal meeting of AFSUMB Education Committee on 17 November 2018

Date: 17 November, 2018 (Saturday)

Time: 08:55-10:20

Venue: Board room, The Brilliant Convention Centre (BCC), Indore, India

Present:

Education Committee (EC)

Dr. KY Leung (Chairman)

Prof. WJ Lee

Prof. YL Wan

Prof. Kanu Bala

Prof. SH Kim (Secretary of WFUMB)

Prof. Sudheer Gokhale (Local organizer of the AFSUMB workshop)

Minutes:

Dr. KY Leung welcome all to attend the informal EC meeting.

1. Report on the AFSUMB Workshop in Indore 2018

The AFSUMB workshop was held successfully in BCC, Indore on 16 November 2018. Three scientific programs run parallel in three Halls. Prof. Gokhale reported that there were more than 500 participants, and their response to the talks were good. Concerning about the live ultrasound demos, Prof. Gokhale clarified that all the involved patients gave their verbal consent and regarded this demo as seeking an second opinion.

There were some discussions on the financial arrangement. The budget of US\$10,000, from AFSUMB, would cover the return airfare of all the five AFSUMB speakers and necessary charges, and the remaining amount of money would be transferred to the local organizing committee for organizing this workshop. All AFSUMB speakers were requested to send Dr. KY Leung and Prof. JW Lee their claim for reimbursements and supporting documents (receipt, air tickets or other documents), Dr. Leung would compile a summary, and then send to the Treasurer for processing. The reimbursement would be settled in the AC/EC meetings in AFSUMB workshop in Indonesia 2019. Dr. Gokhale would provide the details of the bank account to the Treasurer, and the teletransfer would be preferably completed by the end of this year. Dr. Gokhale would send Dr. KY Leung a report on this workshop.

2. Financial support to the AFSUMB workshops

Prof. JW Lee contacted several companies on the financial support on AFSUMB education activities. He reported that a few companies and KSUM agreed to donate funding to AFSUMB, and the total amount would be able to support (a) the AFSUMB workshop and AC meeting in Indonesia which had been decided, and (b) one more AFSUMB workshop in 2019. Prof. Lee added that there would be uncertainty about the sustainability of this kind of donation after 2019.

3. AFSUMB Workshops in 2019 and 2020

Both Nepal and Bangladesh ultrasound Societies showed an interest in organizing AFSUMB workshop in 2019. According to our previous record, Nepal Society held an AFSUMB workshop in 2014 while Bangladesh Society had not held any AFSUMB workshop so far. So, it was decided to select Bangladesh

Society to organize an AFSUMB workshop in 2019, and Nepal Society in 2020. As Mongolia Society showed an interest in organizing AFUSMB workshop in 2020 previously, this would be supported as well. Prof. Bala would prepare for the workshop in March 2019, and requested EC members to response quickly to his emails due to the shortage of time.

According to the last AC meeting, the AFSUMB workshop in Indonesia was scheduled in September 2019. Dr. Siharta was contacted, but there was no reply. He would be further contacted.

4. Nomination of new EC member

Dr. KY Leung proposed to add one more EC member in view of increasing activities of EC. Prof. Wan would like to nominate Prof. Gokhale to join the EC because of his good work in organizing the present AFSUMB workshop in Indore. Prof. Gokhale is respected by his colleagues, and pleased to contribute to the EC. It was agreed to accept Prof. Gokhale to join EC as a new member. Prof. Bala pointed out the differences between an EC member and an AFSUMB speaker. Being an AFSUMB speaker is not necessarily an EC member.

5. AOB.

- a. Vote of thanks to Prof. Gokhale and the local organizing committee in holding the AFSUMB workshop 2018.
- b. Vote of thanks to all the AFSUMB speakers including Prof. JW Lee, Prof. YL Wan, Prof. K Bala, and Prof. SH Kim for their support.

c. Proposal on AFSUMB Congress 2022

Prof. YL Wan had announced in the AC meeting last year to invite Societies to send him a bidding proposal on Congress 2022 by the end of September 2018. So far, he had received only one proposal which was from India Society before the deadline. Because the present informal EC meeting provides a convenient time, Prof. Gokhale was allowed to make a presentation on the initial proposal to seek comments from the key officers of AFSUMB. Since EC is not a formal meeting to discuss Congress, the final decision would be made in a future formal meeting. Prof. Bala commented that AFSUMB Congress 2010 was held in India. Prof. Wan clarified that Singapore Society showed an interest in bidding Congress 2020, but not 2022.

Prof. Gokhale proposed to hold AFSUMB Congress 2022 in the International Convention Center, Hyderabad. IFUMB would be the local organizing Society. This would be a three-day Congress from Friday to Sunday in either the last week of February or the second week of August. The expected number of local and overseas delegates would be 1,000-1,200 and 200-400 respectively. The local organizer would observe the rules and regulations of AFSUMB on organizing the Congress.

After discussions, the following suggestions were made:

- Increase the registration fees for local delegates from US\$200 to US\$300
- Assign one hotel to accommodate all faculty members
- Set up Young Investigator Award
- Early submit to AFSUMB the members of the local organizing committee and revised proposal
- Remind the 20% of surplus to AFSUMB

Prof. Bala requested Prof. JW Lee/ Prof. WL Wan to send email to local organizing committee of 2020 Congress on the surplus issue. Prof. Wan replied that the committee for 2020 Congress had mentioned to donate 50% of the surplus to AFSUMB during the bidding.

d. New ultrasound education proposals

- i) Prof. WJ Lee briefed a GE company's proposal on holding small-sized workshops with senior doctors (trainers) in a hotel, 3-4 times per year in selected Asia countries (Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia, Vietnam, Philippines, Myanmar), focusing on hands-on skills. According to this proposal, GE will support funding while AFSUMB will decide on the location, timing, scientific program, issuing certificates, and selecting one EC member to be the supervisor per program. Prof. Bala commented that the certificates should be issued by local Society or recognized by the local Government. Vietnam Society is a provisional (not yet formal) member of AFSUMB while Myanmar Society is not a member. Direct sponsorship to EC members from a commercial company should be avoided. The regulations of a local country on performing ultrasound examinations by a non-local doctor should be observed. After much deliberations, it was agreed to explore this new educational program as a pilot project, 3 times in 2019 (tentatively June, September and December), starting in AFSUMB-member countries. If this program is successful, it will be extended to South-East Asia countries (Prof. Bala agreed to help), and other ultrasound companies. It was also suggested to set up a designated funding (donated by GE) under AFSUMB for this program. Prof. Bala added that this proposal did not contradict the AFSUMB constitutions.
- ii) Prof. JW Lee briefed a Philip company's proposal on setting up a Healthcare/learning center, tentatively in Singapore, to organize symposiums with doctors from surrounding countries together with web-based learning system. It was agreed that this proposal would not be considered at the present stage.
- e. Prof. JW Lee reported that a working group would be set up to prepare guidelines on sonazoid, an ultrasound contrast agent. The working group included Prof BI Choi, Prof. Kudo, Prof. YJ Lee (chair of CA committee).

Dr. KY Leung
Chairman, EC, AFSUMB

Attendance

Members of the Education Committee from Chair Dr. KY Leung: Chair

Prof. WJ Lee

Wong J Lee

Prof. YL Wan

Prof. Kanu Bala

Kanu Bala

Wan Yung Lee

KY Leung

Secretary of WFUMB

Prof. SH Kim

Local organizer of the AFSUMB workshop

Prof. Sudheer Gokhale

Appendix 2

Minutes (draft) of informal meeting of AFSUMB Education Committee on 2 March 2019

Date: 2 March, 2019 (Saturday)

Time: 07:55-08:40

Venue: Conference Room. Room no 829, NINMAS, BSMMU, Block D, 7th Floor, Shahbagh, Dhaka

Present:

Education Committee (EC)

Dr. KY Leung (Chairman)

Prof. WJ Lee

Prof. YL Wan

Prof. Kanu Bala

Prof. Sudheer Gokhale

President Elect of WFUMB

Prof. SH Kim

Ex-member of the Education Committee, AFSUMB

Prof. Sien-Sing YANG

Attendance

CEO, Bangladesh Institute of Family Medicine and Research

Mr. M.H. Mohsin

Accompanying Prof. YANG

Mr. Zinsen YANG

Wife of Prof. Kim

Mrs. Bhyung Hee

Minutes:

Dr. KY Leung welcome all to attend the EC meeting in the early morning. This was an informal meeting.

1. Report on the AFSUMB Workshop in Indore 2018

Prof. Gokhale reported that the workshop was successfully held in Indore in 2018. The local organizing committee would like to donate the remaining budget from AFSUMB (after deducting the airfares of the AFSUMB speakers) back to AFSUMB. The EC committee thanked for his generous support to AFSUMB.

2. Report on the 22nd WFUMB COE and 27th AFSUMB Workshop in Dhaka on 1 and 2 March 2019

Prof. Bala reported that the workshop was well attended by around 200 participants. Although the title of this workshop was 'leading edge Ultrasonography', the emphasis was on the basic educational materials. Along this direction, several master courses would be organized in the future.

Dr. KY Leung had collected the information on the claim amount and supporting documents for reimbursement of airfares from all the four AFSUMB supported speakers. With joint effort by Prof. JW Lee, Prof. YL Wan,

and Prof. SS Yang, the remaining budget (after deducting the airfares) was ready. (Post- meeting notes, the remaining budget was given to the local organizing committee through Prof. Bala on 3 March 2019).

3. AFSUMB workshop in Indonesia 2019

Dr. KY Leung had communicated with Dr. Sidharta on the scientific program of the workshop in Indonesia. Dr. Sidharta would like to invite our EC committee to give suggestions and advices on the program. Because of the limited time in this informal meeting, Dr. KY Leung invited all to send him suggestions, if any after this meeting. After collecting all the input, Dr. KY Leung would compile a list of anonymous recommendations from EC to Dr. Sidharta. Prof. Bala suggested to seek comments from AFSUMB Council as well.

Prof. Wan and Prof. Gokhale had given their suggestions to Dr. Sidharta previously, but the response was slow. In response to Prof. SH Kim's question on the persons responsible to this workshop, it was clarified that Dr. Daniel Makes is the Chairman OC while Dr. H. Sidharta the Secretary OC.

4. New Education programs- hands on workshops

Prof. WJ Lee updated the progress of the new program on organizing small-sized workshops supported by an ultrasound company and supervised by one EC member per program. GE is interested in supporting this kind of workshop in Philippines, Malaysia and China in the second half of this year (2019). Philips is interested in supporting a workshop in Singapore. Prof. Bala would help in extending this kind of workshop in South-East Asia countries. Prof. Wan asked whether a country which is not a member of AFSUMB could be eligible to this kind of workshop. Members agreed that some countries like Myanmar, Cambodia or Vietnam need this kind of workshop. After some discussions, Prof. Kim, Prof. Bala and Prof. Wan suggested to invite the representative from these countries to attend the AFSUMB workshop in Indonesia so that this issue can be further discussed. Funding from AFSUMB or other sponsors would be explored.

5. AOB

5.1 AFSUMB workshop 2020

Both Nepal Society and Mongolia Society showed an interest in organizing AFUSMB workshop in 2020. They would be contacted later for confirmation, and reminded to organize their workshop before the AFSUMB Congress in Beijing, China 2020 August. Other countries would also be invited to submit their proposals to bid for future workshops.

5.2 Vote of thanks

- a. Vote of thanks to Prof. Bala and the local organizing committee in holding the WFUMB COE workshop and AFSUMB workshop in Dhaka 2019.
- b. Vote of thanks to all the AFSUMB speakers including Prof. JW Lee, Prof. YL Wan, Prof. K Bala, Prof. S Gokhale, Prof. SS Yang and Prof. SH Kim for their support.

5.3 AFSUMB Congress 2022 India

Since AFSUMB Congress 2022 had been decided to be held in India, Prof. YL Wan opinioned that this decision should be written in the minutes of the AFSUMB formal meeting in Seoul 2018.

Dr. KY Leung
Chairman, EC, AFSUMB