

**AEARU**  
**Association of East Asian Research Universities**

**Minutes of the**  
**Fifth Annual General Meeting**  
**October 28, 1999**  
**Taiwan University, Taipei**

**PRESENT**

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| Prof. Chia -Wei WOO                          | President, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology              |
| Prof. Duk In CHOI                            | President, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology          |
| Prof. Kenjiro SUZUKI                         | Chair, Committee for International Academic Exchange, Kyoto University |
| Prof. Li XIE                                 | Vice President, Nanjing University                                     |
| Prof. Tadimitsu KISHIMOTO                    | President, Osaka University  |
| Prof. Hui-Sheng CHI                          | Vice President, Peking University                                      |
| Prof. Sung-Kee CHUNG<br>(Chairperson)        | President, Pohang University of Science and Technology                 |
| Prof. Wei-Jao CHEN                           | President, Taiwan University   |
| Prof. Hiroyuki ABE                           | President, Tohoku University   |
| Prof. Yoshiyuki NAITO                        | President, Tokyo Institute of Technology                               |
| Prof. C. L. LIU                              | President, Tsing Hua University - Hsinchu                              |
| Prof. Qingshi ZHU                            | President, University of Science and Technology of China               |
| Prof. Shigehiko HASUMI<br>(Vice Chairperson) | President, University of Tokyo   |
| Prof. Yoichi IWASAKI                         | Vice President, University of Tsukuba                                  |

**SECRETARY**

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| Ms. Dana WALKER | International Affairs Coordinator,<br>Pohang University of Science and Technology |
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## **IN ATTENDANCE**

### *Hong Kong University of Science and Technology*

Ms. Loretta PANG                      Director of International Programs

### *Kyoto University*

Prof. Muneo TOKUNAGA              Graduate School of Letters

### *Osaka University*

Prof. Toshiomi YOSHIDA              International Center for Biotechnology  
Mr. Kenji FUJIWARA                  Deputy Head, International Relations Division  
Ms. Yoko KIMOTO                      International Exchange Section, International  
Relations

### *Taiwan University*

Prof. Mu-Lan HSU                      Director, Center for International Academic  
Exchanges

### *Tohoku University*

Prof. Naofumi IWATSUKI              Chair, Special Committee of International Academic  
Exchange  
Prof. Yoshio TAGUCHI                  Chair, Special Committee for International Student  
Exchange  
Mr. Yuzo HOSHI                          International Exchange Division  
Ms. Yuki INOUE                          Student Exchange Division

### *Tsing Hua University - Hsinchu*

Prof. Tien-Ko WANG                      Secretary General  
Prof. Hsin-Hsiung CHEN                  Special Advisor to the President

### *University of Tokyo*

Prof. Shunsuke OTANI                      Graduate School of Engineering  
Ms. Hiroko TODA                          International Affairs Division

### *University of Tsukuba*

Mr. Koji TSUKAMOTO                      Associate Head, Division of International Relations

## **APOLOGIES**

President WANG Shenghong              Fudan University  
President Ki-Jun LEE                          Seoul National University  
President WANG Dazhong                      Tsinghua University - Beijing

## MINUTES

| <u>ITEM</u> | <u>SUBJECT</u>  | <u>ACTION</u>                         |
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| <b>I.</b>   | <b><u>INTRODUCTORY REMARKS BY THE CHAIRPERSON</u></b>   |                                       |
| A.          | <u>Workshop Participation</u>   |                                       |
|             | Chairperson CHUNG called the 5th Board of Directors' Meeting to order at 3:25 p.m. He noted that many workshops were planned for the year 2000, with some members bearing more active roles than others in volunteering for the next workshops. Discussion followed how best to increase participation. The conclusion was to encourage all members to be more active.          | ALL                                   |
| 2.          | It was noted that Nanjing University could be more active than it has been. It was suggested that AEARU send all members the table showing how active each has been. Thus the inactive members would notice what they have been missing.  |                                       |
| B.          | <u>Members Attendance at Annual General Meetings</u>  |                                       |
| 3.          | Chair CHUNG commented that it was unusual for the Chinese Mainland not to come to the Annual General Meeting, nor send a representative, as did Fudan University and Tsinghua University-Beijing.   |                                       |
| 4.          | President CHEN informed the Board that a visa problem was not what prevented them or representatives from coming to the Annual General Meeting. It was offered as a possible explanation that university from the Chinese Mainland, presidents' foreign trips might be limited in numbers.  |                                       |
| 5.          | President WOO suggested that perhaps the Chair send a letter to Tsinghua University-Beijing, Fudan University and Seoul National University stating that the AEARU meeting was scheduled so far ahead of time, that it should have had precedence over other meetings.  | POSTECH<br>Fudan<br>SNU<br>TS-Beijing |
| <b>II.</b>  | <b><u>VICE CHAIRPERSON HASUMI'S REPORT</u></b>  |                                       |
| A.          | <u>Transfer of AEARU Secretary Duties to the University of Tokyo</u>  |                                       |
| 6.          | Vice Chair HASUMI asked Chair CHUNG about moving AEARU business from POSTECH to the University of Tokyo. Chair CHUNG assured incoming Chairperson HASUMI that Secretary WALKER would organize a smooth transition of AEARU information from POSTECH to the University of Tokyo before Christmas, or earlier. This includes transferring the website to the University of Tokyo. | POSTECH<br>U-Tokyo                    |

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| <b>III.</b> | <b><u>SECRETARY WALKER'S REPORT</u></b>   |   |
| A.          | <u>AEARU Brochure</u>   |   |
| 7.          | Secretary WALKER stated she will update the brochure with any necessary changes, both on the website and the hard copy that POSTECH is supposed to print.   | POSTECH   |
| 8.          | Chair CHUNG reiterated his commitment to assume responsibility for the printing of the AEARU Brochure, once consensus has been made during the first half of the year 2000 on its contents as seen AEARU's Website by all 17 AEARU Members  |   |
| B.          | <u>Transfer of AEARU from POSTECH to the University of Tokyo</u>  |   |
| 9.          | A meeting to transfer AEARU information from POSTECH to the University of Tokyo was suggested, but Chair CHUNG and Secretary WALKER assured the Board that this could be done without many problems.  | POSTECH,<br>U-Tokyo                             |
| <b>IV.</b>  | <b><u>NEW BUSINESS/HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS</u></b>   |   |
| A.          | <u>International Affairs Directors Attend the Next Board of Directors' Meeting</u>  |   |
| 10.         | President WOO suggested that at the next Board of Directors Meeting, scheduled to be held at POSTECH, that the Board Members should be accompanied by their International Affairs Directors. These Directors should consult with AEARU's first Secretary, Ms. Loretta PANG of HKUST and AEARU's second Secretary, Ms. Dana WALKER of POSTECH, so that the five International Affairs Directors would come to the meeting with their own Agenda. | HKUST<br>Osaka U<br>POSTECH<br>U-Taiwan<br>USTC |
| 11.         | It was commented that it is important that the liaison, contact person of each Member University for AEARU have excellent English skills.   | ALL   |
| B.          | <u>Order of Names, Considering Regional Differences</u>   |   |
| 12.         | Vice Chair and the next Chair HASUMI expressed concern of the order in which names of presidents should be used at AEARU events. It was officially decided that rather than use the personal/family name order, to continue to use the order in which each regional member used for their names, but that the family name would be printed in all capitals.   |   |

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| 13.         | It was also agreed to use American spelling in AEARU documents, rather than British spelling. |               |

### **V. ADJOURNMENT**

14. Chairperson CHUNG thanked President CHEN for hosting the meeting, and all business having been accomplished, Chair CHUNG adjourned the 5th Board of Directors' Meeting at 4:00 p.m.