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Association of East Asian Research Universities

Minutes of the 10th Board of Directors Meeting

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Taiwan University

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<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
I.	<u>Introductory Remarks from Outgoing Chairperson President SASAKI and Incoming Chairperson President CHEN</u>	
A.	<u>Turnover of AEARU Chair from Chairperson President Takeshi SASAKI, University of Tokyo to the new 2002-2004 Chairperson President Wei-Jao CHEN, Taiwan University.</u>	Taiwan U
1.	Chair Wei-Jao CHEN called the 10 th Board of Directors Meeting to order at 09:45 A.M.	
B.	<u>Turnover update</u>	
2.	Chair CHEN welcomed all the guests for attending the 10 th Board of Directors Meeting. Chair CHEN also expressed his great appreciation to President SASAKI and the University of Tokyo for their support in transferring the Secretariat to Taiwan University.	Taiwan U UT

3. Chair CHEN welcomed President Chang-Sun HONG of KAIST for joining the Board of Directors Meeting for the first time. Chair CHEN also showed great gratitude to President ZHU Qing-Shi of USTC for taking the responsibility of the new Vice-Chair of AEARU.

II. Vice Chairperson ZHU's Report

4. Vice Chair ZHU Qing-Shi congratulated Chair CHEN on his new position for the AEARU Chair.
5. In addition, Vice Chair ZHU expressed his appreciation to the Secretariat for organizing the 10th Board of Directors Meeting. USTC
6. Vice Chair ZHU stated that AEARU has been one of the most active and well-organized association in East Asia. He expressed his wish that this association will make more progress in the near future and the cooperation between members will become more successful under Chair CHEN's leadership.

III. Review of Draft Minutes from 7th AGM and 9th BOD held at HKUST on October 4, 2001

7. Chair CHEN asked all the members to review the draft minutes from the 7th AGM and 9th BOD held in HKUST last October. There were no suggested changes. HKUST

IV. Review of 2001 Workshops and Student Summer Camps

8. Chair CHEN reviewed the AEARU Activities Member University Participation 2000-2001 with all the members. According to the chart, Chair CHEN noted the participants of the 4th Web Technology Workshop and the 4th Computer Science Workshop were less than others. USTC
- A. 4th Web Technology Workshop, USTC, November 7-11, 2001
 9. Chair CHEN remarked that there were many workshops on web technology and computer science among the AEARU activities, perhaps this was the cause for attracting fewer participants to attend the workshop.

10. Responding Chair CHEN's concern, President Paul C. W. CHU recommended that, in order to increase the number of participants of each activity, AEARU should decrease the quantity of workshops in the future.
- B. 3rd Cultural Workshop, Seoul National University, November 16, 2001
- C. 5th Molecular Biology Workshop, Fudan University, November 22-23, 2001
- D. 4th Computer Science Workshop, Kyoto University, December 4-5, 2001
11. Chair CHEN pointed out that 14 people representing 11 member universities participated the 4th Computer Science Workshop at Kyoto University. Kyoto U

V. Preview of 2002/2003 Workshops and Student Summer Camps

- A. Workshops to be held in/proposed for 2002
1. 1st Workshop on Advanced Materials Research, Tohoku University, May 30-31, 2002
12. Chair CHEN explained that Tohoku University had received positive responses from 10 member universities. Due to the joining program with the Inauguration of International Frontier Center on Advanced Materials, Tohoku University expected 150 participants to attend this workshop. Tohoku U
13. From the tentative program provided by Tohoku University, Prof. L. L. CHANG, Hong Kong University, was listed under Invited Lectures. President CHU corrected that Prof. L. L. CHANG should be from HKUST, not Hong Kong University.
14. Responding to President CHU's concern, Chair CHEN suggested the Secretariat to confirm with Tohoku University for Prof. L. L. CHANG's full name. (The Secretariat had tried to confirm with Tohoku University for Prof. L.L. CHANG's full name; however; we

have yet to hear from them.)

2. 2nd Environmental Workshop, POSTECH, June 18-19, 2002
(cancelled)
15. Chair CHEN announced that POSTECH had cancelled this workshop because they had only received 10 abstracts by the deadline. POSTECH had decided to host the next environmental workshop again in the future. POSTECH
16. Prof. CHIU explained that according to her correspondences with POSTECH, they would like to reorganize this workshop by proposing topics of a wider range to attract wider participation. Prof. CHIU also commented that the reason for the cancellation of this workshop might need to return to the topic that was discussed previously concerning the quantity of the AEARU workshops. The numbers of the AEARU workshops were getting larger which also tended to attract fewer participants to attend each workshop.
3. 1st Science and Technology Parks Workshop, Tsing Hua University-Hsinchu, July 24-25, 2002
17. Prof. Hsiou-Wei LIN explained the details of this workshop, of which the preliminary presentation topics included the presentation of models of cooperation between industrial and educational institutions, the presentation of hi-tech industrial parks and incubator centers in different areas, and others. THU-Hsinchu
18. Chair CHEN pointed out that 15 people representing 6 member universities had already applied for this workshop and THU-Hsinchu expected to receive more applications.
4. Student Summer Camp (Topical), Tohoku University, July 30-August 5, 2002
19. The topic of this year is New Technologies and Environment. Four undergraduate students from each member university could apply for this program. Tohoku U

5. Student Summer Camp (General), Nanjing University, August 25, 2002
20. Chair CHEN explained that this summer camp was originally scheduled on September 20, which was inappropriate for most universities thus it was rescheduled to August 25. Two undergraduate students from each university could apply for this program. The topic of this camp is Education and the Progress of Society. NJU
Taiwan U
6. 2nd Workshop for Development and Collaboration of Asian Business Schools, Taiwan University, September 2002
21. This workshop has been postponed from April to September 27-28. The theme of this workshop is Executive MBA (EMBA) education and regional alliance in Asian Pacific area. Taiwan U
7. 1st Workshop on Network Education, Taiwan University, Nov 13-14, 2002
22. Chair CHEN explained that this workshop would explore the relationship between network and education, especially on how technology would make education more effective and how it would benefit the quality of education.
8. 6th Molecular Biology and Biotechnology Workshop, Osaka University, November 21-22, 2002
23. This workshop has been rescheduled from October 29-30 to November 21-22. Osaka U
9. 2nd Microelectronics Workshop, Peking University (unscheduled)
24. The Secretariat has been contacting Peking University concerning this workshop; however; the Secretariat has yet to hear from them. Peking U
25. As from the 9th BOD, President ZHU was asked to contact Peking University. Professor YANG explained that they also had not received information from Peking University.

- B. Workshops to be held in/proposed for 2003
- Taiwan U
1. Student Summer Camp, Taiwan University
26. There are two AEARU Student Summer Camps each year, one would be general and the other one would be topical, Professor LIN had inquired USTC for their preference.
27. President ZHU responded that they would like to hold the 2003 Student Summer Camp General. They had planned to hold a cultural summer camp at the university's guesthouse at the Yellow Mountain, Anhui. They would like to introduce Chinese culture in Ming and Chin Dynasties to the students. Taiwan U
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28. Chair CHEN stated that if USTC preferred to hold the Student Summer Camp General, then, Taiwan University would like to hold the Student Summer Camp Topical in the summer of 2003.
2. Student Summer Camp, USTC
29. USTC had decided to hold the Student Summer Camp General in the summer of 2003. USTC
3. 1st Medical Center Workshop, HKUST/Peking University/Taiwan University
30. President CHU described that Prof. Chia-Wei WOO originally proposed this workshop and it would be held at the research hospital at Shenzhen. At this moment, President CHU had already contacted medical schools from the United States and he would continue discussing with Taiwan University and Peking University about this workshop. HKUST
Taiwan U
31. For this workshop, HKUST would like to focus on the following three areas: 1) Hospital management, 2) Commercialization of research products in biotechnology area, 3) Development of joint programs.
32. President CHU added that since 11 of the 17 member universities have medical school, he would communicate with other presidents on this workshop. Due to the weather condition of Shenzhen, President CHU recommended to hold this workshop in either spring or fall.

33. President SASAKI indicated that he had received letter from the University of Tsukuba concerning the celebration of the 30th anniversary of their university in 2003. President SASAKI suggested that they might be ready to host a workshop on Web Technology and Computer Science next year. President SASAKI would continue to contact the University of Tsukuba about holding a workshop in 2003.

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VI. Matters Arising from the 7th AGM and the 9th BOD

A. Funding ideas for the next edition of AEARU Printed Brochure

34. Prof. LIN explained that the printing cost of the current edition of the AEARU Printed Brochure was supported by POSTECH, which cost U.S\$6,000 for 1,000 copies. The next issue should be printed in 2003, but there is a question on how to fund the cost.
35. President SASAKI suggested adding the contents of the brochure to the AEARU website, which could also be viewed by the public.
36. Concerning the funding problem of the AEARU Brochure, President CHU recommended to start collecting member's fee from the universities and this fee could be used for AEARU Brochure or other activities.
37. President ZHU indicated the usage of the member's fee might become complicated. For example, it would be difficult to categorize which activity would be supported by the member's fee and which activity would be supported by the host.
38. President CHU responded that the member's fee should be used for routine operations such as mailing, printing and designing the brochure, but fees for workshops or student summer camp would still follow the tradition, which would be supported by the host and/or participants.
39. President ZHU agreed with President CHU's idea on the usage of member's fee, he suggested that the member's fee be around U.S\$1,000-\$2,000 per university.
40. Besides collecting the member's fee, President SASAKI also suggested all the members to contribute parts of the cost for the brochure. Since

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there are 17 member universities; each university only needs to contribute a little amount.

41. This matter will be re-discussed during the 8th Annual General Meeting at KAIST.

B. Proposal of inviting CLUSTER students to AEARU's Student Summer Camps in the future

CLUSTER

42. President SASAKI explained that during his term as AEARU Chair, there were officially 2-3 correspondences with CLUSTER. At that time, President SASAKI had responded to CLUSTER that AEARU was yet well established enough to create a formal link with CLUSTER. However, President SASAKI commented that it might be beneficial to start inviting CLUSTER students to attend our student summer camp if they find this proposal agreeable.

43. President SASAKI added that if AEARU established a formal relationship with other institutions, financial difficulties such as the responsibility for CLUSTER students' expenses might be raised. Chair CHEN suggested all the hosting universities of the camp to decide if they would like to invite CLUSTER students to attend their camp or not.

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44. Responding Chair CHEN's suggestion, President ZHU would like to invite CLUSTER students to attend the 2003 Student Summer Camp General, USTC. The expenses would depend on the number of the students and the budget, which would be arranged in the near future.
45. President SASAKI stated that perhaps the idea of inviting CLUSTER students could only be applied to the member universities who are prepared to do so.
46. This proposal of inviting CLUSTER students would be announced and discussed at the 8th Annual General Meeting at KAIST.

C. President CHUNG's comments concerning the quality and quantity of the AEARU Workshops

47. Chair CHEN restated President CHUNG's comments on some of the

existing workshops such as Microelectronics Workshops were having difficulties attracting sponsorship or participation from the member universities.

48. Concerning the Microelectronics Workshop President, ZHU suggested that since we had yet to hear from Peking University, maybe we should consider finding a new host for this workshop. USTC
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VII. Other Matters

- A. Change of the presidentship at Tsing Hua University-Hsinchu and the Certificate of Appreciation from AEARU to President LIU THU-Hsinchu

49. President CHEN announced that the presidency of Tsing Hua University-Hsinchu had been changed from President Chung Laung LIU to President Frank Hsia-San SHU effective February 2002. The Secretariat had sent a congratulation letter to President SHU and a Certificate of Appreciation to President LIU. BOD

50. President CHU gave a brief description of President SHU and he suggested that it would be thoughtful for the Chair, on behalf of the AEARU, to send a congratulation letter to President SHU.(Chair CHEN had already sent the congratulation letter to President SHU dated February 8, 2002)

51. President SASAKI said that according to the tradition, AEARU Secretariat awards a Certificate of Appreciation to the ex-president of the member universities and announce the turnover of the presidency during the next Annual General Meeting.

52. Prof. LIN explained that the Secretariat had already sent the Certificate of Appreciation to President LIU by mail in March, but the turnover announcement will be arranged during the 8th AGM at KAIST.

53. Chair CHEN added that the Secretariat also had prepared a Certificate of Appreciation to the ex-chairperson and it would be presented to President SASAKI during the 8th AGM.

VIII. Dates and Venues of Future Meetings

A. 8th AGM at KAIST, September 30-October 1, 2002.

54. President Chang-Sun HONG provided the itinerary of the 8th AGM, which would be held at KAIST during September 30-October 1. He explained that all the guests would arrive at Incheon International Airport on September 29 and would stay overnight in Seoul. Before the arrival at KAIST on September 30, there would be a city tour including the Industrial Site Tour at the Samsung Electronics. The 8th AGM and the 11th BOD would be held on October 1. Finally, the departure date for the guests would be October 2.

KAIST

55. Chair CHEN asked about the departure from Korea, whether all the guests could depart directly from KAIST to Incheon International Airport, or they would need to return to Seoul.

56. President HONG responded that there would be direct limousines from Daejeon to Incheon International Airport; guests could decide whether they want to depart to the airport directly or return to Seoul for other purposes.

B. 11th BOD at KAIST, September 30-October 1, 2002

Sep 29 (Sun) Arrival at Incheon Airport (overnight in Seoul)

Sep 30 (Mon) Tour on the way to KAIST in Daejeon

Oct 1 (Tue) AGM and BOD

Oct 2 (Wed) Departure

C. 12th BOD in 2003 at the University of Tokyo

57. President SASAKI described that the schedule for the 12th BOD had yet to be fixed. However, the meeting would be held in May 2003 and UT would contact board members concerning the fixed date in the near future.

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D. 9th AGM in 2003- unscheduled

58. Since the 5th AGM was held in Taipei, the 6th AGM was held in Osaka, the 7th AGM was held in Hong Kong, and the 8th AGM would be held in Daejeon, it was agreed that the 9th AGM should be held in China.

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59. President ZHU offered to hold the 9th AGM at USTC.

E. 13th BOD in 2003- unscheduled

KAIST

60. The 13th BOD would be scheduled after the 9th AGM in 2003. This would be discussed during the 8th AGM at KAIST.

IX. Adjournment

61. President HONG asked for further suggestions or requests for the 8th AGM at KAIST. President ZHU suggested adding culture activities to the program.

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62. President CHU mentioned that the topic of the higher education reform had been very popular in most countries particularly in Taiwan and Hong Kong. He suggested discussing about this topic at the next meeting.

HKUST

63. Chair CHEN adjourned the meeting at 11:30 A.M.