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SINGAPORE PHYSICAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE 37TH SPEA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE MERSC LOUNGE, 21 EVANS ROAD SINGAPORE ON WEDNESDAY, 9 MARCH 2016 AT 7.30 PM.

- Present:**
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| 1. Prof John Wang | - President |
| 2. Ast/P Koh Koon Teck | - Vice-President
(Research & Publications) |
| 3. Mr Ong Bok Liong | - Vice- President
(Planning & Development) |
| 4. Ms Chow Mei Peng | - Hon Secretary |
| 5. Mr Randall Lim | - Asst Hon Secretary |
| 6. Dr Eugene Chew | - Committee Member |
| 7. Ms Mariette Ong | - Committee Member |
| 8. A/P Steven Tan | - Committee Member |
| 9. Dr Zason Chian | - Committee Member |
| 10. Mr Goh Ek Piang | - Advisor |
| 11. Mr Ng Kian Woon | - Hon Auditor |
| 12. Mr Raymond Ong | - Hon Auditor |
| 13. Mr Leonard Koh | |
| 14. Mr Vincent David | |
| 15. Mr Tan Shern Meng | |
| 16. Mr Kee Ying Huat | |
| 17. Mr C Kunalan | |
| 18. Dr A Saravanan | |
| 19. Mr A Murugapa | |
| 20. Mr Ong Eng Kwang | |
| 21. Mr Joel Chia | |
| 22. Mr Timothy D'Cruz | |
| 23. Mr Jeffrey Koh | |
| 24. Ms Helen Low | |
| 25. Ms Chua Mei Hui | |
| 26. Mr Clement Lim | |
| 27. Mr Albert Chia | |
| 28. Mr Edward Yeo | |
| 29. Dr Lee Kok Sonk | |
| 30. Mr Andy Chua | |
| 31. Dr Quek Jin Jong | |
| 32. Mr Tan Seck Heong | |
| 33. Mr Mohd Taufeek | |

- Absent with Apologies:**
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| 1. Mr Yong Tze Woon | - Hon Treasurer |
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- 1 Minutes of 36th Annual General Meeting
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1 President's Address

- 1.1 The President, Prof John Wang, called the meeting to order at 7.30pm. He was encouraged to have such a good turnout in attendance at this year's AGM. It also has the most number of new membership sign-ups. Prof John Wang expressed hope that this trend can be sustained.
- 1.2 President briefly shared a little history of SPEA and noted that it has been in existence for 41 years since its founding in 1975.
- 1.3 President observed that the status of PE in Singapore has continued to rise with greater emphasis in the school curricula and is recognized as an important vehicle for nation building and community bonding, and contributes to the health and well-being of citizens. The new Minister for Education, Mr Ng Chee Meng visited NIE and dropped in at the PESS department the previous week lending weight to this recognition. He advocated that a vote of thanks need to be extended to all the pioneers in Physical Education, e.g. Dr Lau Teng Chuan.
- 1.4 President informed members that SPEA has expressed appreciation of Dr Lau through helping to sell his autobiography, establishing the Lau Teng Chuan Book Prize, setting up the Lau Teng Chuan Professional Development Fund, and organizing the annual Lau Teng Chuan Sport Science Symposium. The 4th LTC Sport Science Symposium 2016 will be hosted in NIE.
- 1.5 President informed the members that SPEA has stopped actively recruiting Student Members since trend data suggested that these members do not sign-on as Ordinary or Life Members. Instead, SPEA persuaded the PESS Student Club to come onboard as a co-opted committee to help to organize the SPEA Family Day.
- 1.6 President informed the members that current SPEA membership is made up of 266 Life Members, 6 Ordinary Members, 4 Student Members, and 4 Honorary Life Members making a total of 280. Since 2012, there were 43 new members (including the 6 new members who signed up on 9 Mar 2016) and 2 renewals.
- 1.7 President summarized events that were organized in 2015 (details are available in the Report). In particular, he highlighted how the ASEAN Council of Physical Education & Sport (ACPES) was established in 2014 with SPEA being one of the founding members and is currently being registered and headquartered in Thailand. The process is taking a little longer than expected due to documentation in the Thai language and getting it approved by the relevant authority.
- 1.8 The 2nd ACPES conference will be held in the Philippines from 2-5 September 2016. President sought members' help to inform SPEA if they wish to attend the Conference so that we could negotiate for certain benefits, e.g. registration fee waiver or discounted accommodation, etc.
- 1.9 President informed members that 12 nominations were received for OPETA 2015. Ms Morna Tan Wang Lin was awarded the Outstanding PE Teacher Award 2015 (Merit) at a ceremony held in conjunction with the 3rd LTC PESS Symposium. Morna is from Fairfield Methodist Primary School.
- 1.10 President informed members that the LTC Book Prize winner in 2015 is Ms Jacinta Yeo Huiling. She was the top student of the MSc (ESS) Programme in PESS.

- 1.11 President highlighted some upcoming events in 2016, e.g.
- a) the 4th LTC Physical Education and Sports Science Symposium will be held on the morning of 8 April 2016,
 - b) another SPEA-PESS Family Day will be organized in 2016, members will be updated once information is available,
 - c) the next issue of the SPEA Newsletter will be published in November 2016.
- 1.12 President informed members that the LTC Professional Development Fund was setup in 2006. The initial purpose was to fund PE teachers who wished to upgrade themselves, e.g. through overseas studies. However, since MOE has increased its scholarship provision, a decision was made to combine the LTC Scholarship (setup up with donations received at Dr Lau's funeral wake and the sale of Dr Lau's book, "*Lau Teng Chuan. Sportsman, Teacher, Sports Administrator*") with the LTC Professional Development funds to better facilitate members' professional development efforts. The SPEA Management Committee agreed unanimously and formalised the application process in October 2016.
- 1.13 President informed members that SPEA has a new Facebook Page and encouraged members to like and share SPEA Facebook posts on their own Facebook pages. The SPEA Website has also been revamped.

2 Minutes of the 36th Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the 36th Annual General Meeting were adopted with the following amendments:

- Attendee number 6 should be read Dr Eugene Chew
- Attendee number 11 should be read A/P G. Balasekaran
- Attendee number 15 should be read Mr Tan Seck Heong

Proposed by: Dr Eugene Chew

Seconded by: A/P Steven Tan

3 Annual Report 2015/2016

The Annual Report was adopted with no amendments.

Proposed by: A/P Steven Tan

Seconded by: Ast/P Koh Koon Teck

4 Treasurer's Report 2015/2016

The Treasurer Report was adopted with no amendments.

Proposed by: Mr Leonard Koh

Seconded by: Mr Joel Chia

5 Appreciation Ceremony

A simple ceremony was held to thank all the people who have contributed to SPEA in various roles over the past 4 years. Please refer to Annual Report 2015/2016 for the details.

6 Election of Office Bearers

6.1 President thanked the out-going Management Committee for their hard work and contributions towards SPEA over the years, especially those who volunteered to continue to serve even though they are not able to make it to the AGM.

6.2 The President oversaw the election of Office Bearers for the next Management Committee. The election results were as follows (elected officials' names highlighted in **BOLD**):

Post	Nominee	Proposer/ Secunder	Nomination Closed/ Secunder	Remarks
President	Ast/P Koh Koon Teck	A/P Steven Tan/ Ms Mariette Ong	Ms Chow Mei Peng/ A/P Steven Tan	
Vice President (Research & Publication)	Mr Leonard Koh	A/P Steven Tan/ Mr Joel Chia	A/P Steven Tan/ Ast/P Koh Koon Teck	
Vice President (Planning & Development)	Mr Ong Bok Liong	Dr Eugene Chew/ A/P Steven Tan	Dr Zason Chian/ Mr Leonard Koh	Dr Lee Kok Sonk declined
	Dr Lee Kok Sonk	Ms Mariette Ong		
Honorary Secretary	Ms Chow Mei Peng	Prof John Wang/ A/P Steven Tan	Mr Joel Chia/ Mr Ng Kian Woon	
Asst Hon Secretary	Ms Mariette Ong	Ms Helen Low/ Dr Eugene Chew	A/P Steven Tan/ Ast/P Koh Koon Teck	
Honorary Treasurer	Ms Helen Low	Mr Joel Chia/ Mr Ng Kian Woon	Prof John Wang/ Dr Zason Chian	
Committee Members (5 members)	Mr Brian Lui	Prof John Wang/ Ms Chow Mei Peng	Mr Mohd Taufeek/ A/P Steven Tan	
	Dr Zason Chian	Ast/P Koh Koon Teck/ Dr Eugene Chew		
	Mr Joel Chia	Dr Zason Chian/ Ms Helen Low		
	Mr Edward Yeo	Prof John Wang/ Mr Randall Lim		
	Mr Albert Chia	Mr Joel Chia/ Prof John Wang		

Post	Nominee	Proposer/ Secunder	Nomination Closed/ Secunder	Remarks
Honorary Auditors (2 members)	Mr Mohd Taufeek	Ms Mariette Ong/ Dr Zason Chian	Ms Mariette Ong/ Dr A Saravanan	
	Mr Randall Lim	Mr Mohd Taufeek/ Mr Joel Chia		

6.3 When all committee positions were filled, the elections were proposed closed.

Proposed by: Ast/P Koh Koon Teck
Secundered by: Prof John Wang

6.4 President presented the new Management Committee to the members and thanked everyone for their participation.

7 Any Other Matters

7.1 New President's address

Ast/P Koh Koon Teck thanked members for the privilege to serve. Since it will be his 3rd term in the committee and the shoes he needs to fill are big, it was a tough decision that he made to take up the challenge to build upon the excellent work already accomplished by the likes of Dr Quek, Mr Goh Ek Piang, etc. He assured the members that his Committee and he will serve to their best abilities. He also encouraged and invited all members to contribute their ideas to build SPEA together.

7.2 Both the immediate past and new Presidents thanked members who participated in the AGM, especially Mr Ang Wee Boon who helped to document the proceedings as the Photographer.

7.3 As there were no other matters, the meeting was adjourned at 8.25pm.

Recorded by: Ms Shermaine Lou
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