

ASIAN AEROSOL RESEARCH ASSEMBLY

Minutes of the AARA Board Meeting held on August 28, 2007, 8:00PM at Kaohsiung, Taiwan

1. Acknowledgements and greetings. AARA President Dr. Mayya expressed his personal appreciation to all delegates and then introduced everyone. CAART president, Dr. W.J. Lee, invited Dr. Mayya to present a medal to each delegate as a token of appreciation.
2. Review of the 5th AAC by the organizers. Dr. Mayya invited the conference chair of the 5th AAC, Prof. Yuan, to give a brief review on the attendance and funding sources of the 5th AAC.
3. Report on the financial account of AARA. Dr. Mayya presented and explained the AARA account balance sheet from 2004-2007, and the 2006 to 2007 balance sheet for the AARA account opened in Mumbai after 4th AAC on Nov. 16th, 2006.
4. Report and discussion on Asian Young Aerosol Scientist Award. Dr. Mayya invited award committee chair, Dr. Shibata, to make a brief report on the two awardees' selection process.
5. Fund raising activities of the Award. Dr. Mayya invited all delegates to make donations to the award.
6. Website and logo for AARA. Dr. Tsai suggested the establishment of a website committee for the AARA logo design, as well as the creation and maintenance of the official AARA website. All delegates agreed to Dr. Mayya's suggestion that the new AARA president should take charge of the website establishment and the logo design.
7. Establishment of AAQR as AARA journal. All delegates agreed that they need to bring up and discuss lots of issues regarding this proposal within each country before they can make a decision. India delegate agreed to accept the proposal. Korean delegate proposed to form a committee and to support the journal with society funding. Prof. Otani suggested each country gives some input such as cost estimation. A conclusion was made to form a new committee to carry on with the mission.
8. Selection of new Board Members of AARA. Dr. C.J. Tsai was elected as the new AARA president.
9. Presentation of proposals for hosting AAC-2009. Thailand and China delegates both gave a 10-minute presentation. Thai showed strong association support and experience in holding large-scale conference as well as attraction to tourists. Also, having the conference in Thai has more potential to attract new people from powder technology

related field to the AAC. All delegates agreed that Thailand should host AAC-2009 but suggest Thailand to organize an association and become an AARA member.

10. Any other matter with the permission of Chair. Dr. W.J. Lee officially informed the AARA delegates that the board meeting of the CAART has voted for name change to Taiwan Association for Aerosol Research (TAAR) on Sunday, August 26th, 2007.
11. Closing of Meeting and Vote of thanks. Dr. Mayya officially announced the ending his duty at the end of the meeting. Group pictures were taken at the end.