ELSA Annual General Meeting

Date: 11 August 2011 (Thursday)
Time: 5:15 pm
Venue: Ballroom 1, LG2, Suntec Singapore Convention and Exhibition Centre, Singapore

Presented: Prof. Zheng Min Hua (China) - President
Prof. Tran Binh Giang (Vietnam) – Vice-President
Prof. Michael K W Li (Hong Kong)- Secretary General
Prof. Hong-Jin Kim (Korea) – Treasurer
Prof Davide Lomanto (Singapore) – Chief Editor

Prof. Humayun Kabir Chowdhury (Bangladesh)
Dr. Sarder A Nayeem (Bangladesh)
Dr. Kenneth Y Y Kok (Brunei)
Dr. Zhang Zhongtao (China)
Dr. Heng Tat Leong (Hong Kong)
Dr. Chan Chun Yin (Hong Kong)
Dr. Chau Kai Fung Kenneth (Hong Kong)
Dr. David Tsui Ka Kin (Hong Kong)
Dr. Cheung Yui Shan (Hong Kong)
Dr. Chu Chik Wah (Hong Kong)
Dr. Yiu Hak Lim (Hong Kong)
Dr. Lai Kai Cheong (Hong Kong)
Dr. Hung Lai Fai (Hong Kong)
Dr. Wong Chun Sing (Hong Kong)
Dr. Lai Tak Mun (Hong Kong)
Dr. Chan Kin Chun (Hong Kong)
Dr. Lam Chin Ton Dennis (Hong Kong)
Dr. Lee Man Kit Derek (Hong Kong)
Dr. Wong Kin Hung Simon (Hong Kong)
Dr. Paul Lesenn (Hong Kong)
Dr. Med Stefan Saad (Germany)
Prof. Son Truong (Germany)
Dr. Zameer Pasha (India)
Dr. C Palanivelu (India)
Dr. P.K. Reddy (India)
Dr. Venugoda Venkatesh (India)
Dr. Barlian Sutedja (Indonesia)
Dr. Errawan Wiradisuria (Indonesia)
Prof. Seigo Kitano (Japan)
Dr. Jun-Gi Kim (Korea)
Dr. Pang Heong Keong (Macau)
Prof. Hock Lim Tan (Malaysia) – Paediatric Surgery representative
Prof. Ye Myint (Myanmar)
Prof. Win Myint (Myanmar)
Dr. Rey Melchor F Santos (Philippines)
Dr. Jose Macario Faylona (Philippines)
Dr. Hiloegaroes C Dineros (Philippines)
Dr. Raymund Andres G. OPL (Philippines)
Dr. Jeffrey Domino (Philippines)
Dr. Eric Au (Philippines)
Dr. Vivencio Villaflor (Philippines)
Dr. Crisostomo Arcilla (Philippines)
Dr. Vic Porciuncul (Philippines)
Dr. Serafin Hilvano (Philippines) - Past President – Exec council
Prof. Abdullah AL-Dohayan (Saudi Arabia)
Dr. Cheng Kiong Kum (Singapore)
Dr. Charles Tsang (Singapore)
Dr. Charles Tan (Singapore)
Dr. Peter MY Goh (Singapore)
Dr. William T Chen (Taiwan)
Prof. Suchart Chantawibul (Thailand)
Dr. Suthep Udomsawaengsup (Thailand)
Dr. Jirawat Wongsri Chanalai (Thailand)
Dr. Hathai Kunaprayoon (Thailand)
Dr. Rolf Ulrich Hartung (UAE)
Dr. Raad Almehdi (Oman)
Ms Desiree Chan (Secretary)

1. Welcome speech and President’s remark

Prof Zheng, the President of ELSA welcomed the BOGs for attending the meeting. To start with, he appreciated and congratulated Dr. Kum for his effort and excellent arrangement for ELSA 2011 meeting.
2. **Minutes of previous meeting adoption**

The minutes of previous meeting (26 Nov 2010) was adopted with no amendment. The Minutes was passed with a proposal from Prof Tan and seconded by Dr Hartung.

3. **Report by General Secretary**

Prof Li reported the current number of ELSA members in total 1137 members with 179 Active memberships and 958 Life memberships.

4. **Treasurer Financial Report**

Prof Kim reported that this year the total income included the membership fees and the contribution from ELSA 2009, China, were US$3,464.80 and US$9,963.58 respectively. The balance as at 15 Aug 2011 was US$ 79,771.44. We had appointed F.S Li & Co. to audit the financial report of ELSA. The audit report was passed with a proposal from Prof S Hilvano and seconded by Dr Leong Hing Tat.

5. **Chief Editor Editorial Report**

5.1 **Journal**

We would have 4 issues per year and Prof Lomanto encouraged the members to submit their papers actively.

5.2 **Website**

The website updated the membership list that allowed members to search their status and active/life membership no by their names or countries. A video gallery was added in the website, and Prof Lomanto advised the members to upload their videos to websites for education sharing, or we would use it by the sponsor company in order to strengthen the financial status of ELSA.

5.3 **Newsletter**

Newsletter would be issued and hardcopies would be circulated during the ELSA meetings and email to the BOG. Electronic version would be uploaded in the website and suggestions and comments about it were welcomed.
6. Election of the office bearers and Board of Governors for the years 2012-2014

6.1 Election of the office bearers

President: Prof Davide Lomanto

Remark: Dr CK Kum was nominated by Dr. Peter MY Goh (Singapore) and was seconded by Prof. Zheng Min Hua (China) while Prof Davide Lomanto was also nominated. Since there were 2 nominees, it had to be decided by election. And the result was Prof Davide Lomanto (34) vs Dr CK Kum (28)

Vice President: Prof. Abdullah AL-Dohayan (nominated by Dr. Peter MY Goh (Singapore))

Secretary General: Dr Kevin Kwok Kay Yau (Hong Kong) (nominated by Prof. Zheng Min Hua (China) and seconded by Dr Leong Hing Tat (Hong Kong))

Treasurer: Dr. William T Chen (Taiwan) (nominated by Prof Michael Li (Hong Kong) and seconded by Prof Davide Lomanto (Singapore))

7. AOB

7.1 Dr. Peter MY Goh (Singapore) and Dr. Cheng Kiong Kum (Singapore) had different opinion about the result of the president’s election. The final decision was made by Prof. Zheng Min Hua (President) and would follow the constitution that the result “will follow on a simply majority vote of the members”.

7.2 Dr Hartung proposed to amend the constitution and this issue would be discussed in the next BOG meeting in Saudi Arabia.

The meeting was adjourned at 6: 45 p.m.