APNME ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

By SKYPE

Location and Time	Location and Time
Beijing (China) Sunday, 6 November 2016 at 11:00 am	Hamilton (New Zealand) Sunday, 6 November 2016 at 4:00 pm
Hong Kong (Hong Kong) Sunday, 6 November 2016 at 11:00 am	Kaohsiung (Taiwan) Sunday, 6 November 2016 at 8:00 am
Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia) Sunday, 6 November 2016 at 11:00 am	Lahore (Pakistan) Sunday, 6 November 2016 at 8:00 am
Melbourne (Australia - Victoria) Sunday, 6 November 2016 at 2:00 pm	Seoul (South Korea) Sunday, 6 November 2016 at 2:00 pm
Singapore Sunday, 6 November 2016 at 11:00 am	Sydney (Australia - New South Wales) Sunday, 6 November 2016 at 2:00 pm
Tokyo (Japan) Sunday, 6 November 2016 at 12:00 Noon	Wuhan (China) Hong Kong (Hong Kong) Sunday, 6 November 2016 at 11:00 am
Yogyakarta (Indonesia) Sunday, 6 November 2016 at 10:00 am	

MINUTES

Present: Minkang KIM, Mayumi NISHINO, Dorrie HANCOCK, Kun ASTUTI, Derek PATTON, Chris DRAKE, Amna AURANGZEB, Shaogang YANG, Meiyao WU, Derek SANKEY, Mei-Yee WONG.

1. Welcome and Call to Order

2. Acceptance of Minutes of the Previous Meetings (6 December 2015))

Decision: Minutes approval proposed by Shaogang and	Action by:	Due Date: for
seconded by Dorrie. Accepted by committee	Chair and	new committee
	Secretary	

3. Matters Arising

a. Proposal on Change of Title for Chairperson (see Attachment 1)

Background: The changes proposed are aimed at advancing the progress of APNME into the future and are changes to the *titles* used in APNME; it is not about *persons* (people). The change of title from Chairperson to President has a flow on effect. To avoid confusion, it seems we should also change the existing title of Honorary President of APNME to a new title Honorary Associate of APNME. These are small changes, but will require changes to the wording to the constitution, and therefore require to be done with transparency. If the proposal is accepted at this AGM then the amendment on the Constitution will be put forward for approval at the next AGM in Wuhan.

Discussion: Advice was sought regarding the dynamics of the proposal from a legal perspective regarding the impact on the constitution.

Decision: Minkang proposes and Derek Sankey seconds that	Action by:	Due Date:
the title of Chairperson of APNME is changed to President of	New	APNME Wuhan
APNME. All agreed with the proposal, none disagreed and	Committee	2016 AGM
none abstained, and the proposal was therefore accepted.		

Decision: Minkang proposes and Derek Sankey seconds that	Action by:	Due Date:
the title of Honorary President be discontinued and changed	New	APNME Wuhan
to Honorary Associate of APNME. All agreed with the proposal,	Committee	2016 AGM
none disagreed and none abstained, and the proposal was		
therefore accepted.		
Decision: Minkang proposes and Derek Sankey seconds that	Action by:	Due Date:
retrospectively past Chairpersons to be referred to as past	New	APNME Wuhan
Presidents of APNME. All agreed with the proposal, none	Committee	2016 AGM
disagreed and none abstained, and the proposal was therefore		
accepted.		
Decision: Minkang proposes and Derek Sankey seconds that	Action by:	Due Date:
fin the first instance five people be invited to be Honorary	New	APNME Wuhan
Associates: Dr. Monica Taylor, Professor Nobi Iwasa, Professor	Committee	2016 AGM
Tan Chuanbao, Professor Wang Xiao-lei, and Professor Terry		
Lovat. All agreed with the proposal, none disagreed and none		
abstained, and the proposal was therefore accepted.		

b. The Tenth Anniversary Publication

Background: The APNME 10th anniversary publication as a special issue of JME is targeted to be published before APNME 2017 in Wuhan. The names of the authors will not be disclosed here as the review process is still undertaken and the final decision letters have not been sent out.

4. Chairperson's Report (see Attachment 2)

Decision: May proposes to accept the Chairperson's Report and	Action	Due Date:
Amna seconds this proposal. All agreed to accept the Chairperson's		
report.		

5. Treasurer's Report (see Attachment 3)

Discussion: May informs of a typo on page 3 of her report, in the Income and Expenditure section the date is no 1 January 2014, but 1 January 2015.

Decision: Amna proposes to accept the Chairperson's Report and	Action	Due Date:
Kun seconds this proposal. All agreed to accept the Chairperson's		
report.		

6. Secretary's Report (see Attachment 4)

Background:

Discussion: Derek Sankey expresses concern that 4 of the members in the new committee will be standing down at the AGM in Wuhan because their committee term will expire.

Decision: May proposes and Kun seconds that the Secretary's	Action	Due Date: 20
Report be accepted. All agreed. Minkang will send notification to all	by:	November 2016
new committee members for nominations for President and	Minkang	
Secretary and convene the meeting for 20 November 8am in		
Beijing, China; 12 Noon in Hamilton, New Zealand; 9am in Hong		
Kong; 9am in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; 10am in Melbourne,		
Australia; 10am in Sydney, Australia; 8am in Seoul, South Korea;		
8am in Tokyo, Japan; 7am in Wuhan, China; at 6am in Yogyakarta,		
Indonesia.		

7. APNME 2017 Conference

Background: Minkang gave a verbal report updating on the progress of conference organisation. Main speakers are being organised. The submission of abstracts is open. Government approval is being sought, but has not been secured yet. Discussion:

8. Any Other Business

Signed:

Discussion: Derek S wants to ask Chris if it is a sensible move to inform the membership of the changes proposed in the Chairperson's report before the next AGM to assess if there is a large body of membership who could be against these proposals. Chris' skype connection was intermittent during the meeting and it dropped out before he could reply.

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Decision: Derek Sankey therefore proposed, and Dorrie seconded,	Action	Due Date: 20
that the retiring Chairperson send the query to Chris asking	by:	November 2016
"whether it would be sensible and prudent to immediately inform	Minkang	
all members of APNME of the decision to change the title of		
Chairperson to President and Honorary President to Honorary		
Associate to ascertain if there is strong opposition to the change of		
titles". If Chris agrees, to this proposal, Minkang to take action.		

Meeting closed after 1 hour and 10 minutes. 3.10pm (Sydney time)

Dorrie HANCOCK (secretary)

Minkang KIM (chair)

<u>Attachment 1: Proposed changes to the APNME Constitution</u>

Under Matters Arising (Agenda Item 4), it is proposed that:

- 1. The title Chairperson of APNME is changed to President of APNME. This will bring it into line with similar academic societies such as AME and PESA. This is important for the continued growth of APNME within the Asia-Pacific region, where the title 'president' is more recognisable and carries more status than the title Chairperson;
- 2. Retrospectively, persons serving as Chair/President of APNME assume the title of Past President of APNME on completion of their term of service;
- 3. To avoid confusion, the current title Honorary President be discontinued and changed to Honorary Associate of APNME. In the first draft of the APNME Constitution (2008), Clause 12 says: 'The Committee may from time to time invite a respected educationist, whether or not a Member, to be the Honorary President of the Association for an agreed period of time'. It is proposed that we retain the core idea, but expand it to more than one such person and rename the role as Honorary Associate. This is in line with the use of such a title in universities for the appointment of respected academics as honoraries. It is also the term used for a category of membership on the Editorial Board of *Journal of Moral Education*;
- 4. In the first instance, it is proposed that five persons are invited to be Honorary Associates of APNME. These are: Dr. Monica Taylor, Professor Nobi Iwasa, Professor Tan Chuanbao, Professor Wang Xiao-lei, and Professor Terry Lovat.

Proposer: Minkang Kim Seconder: Derek Sankey

Attachment 2: APNME Chairperson's Report

In preparing this report I am very aware that it will be the last. I will be standing down from the Committee at this AGM. In a way, this AGM marks a transition point in the life of APNME, which, as all members know, is celebrating its first 10 years. Professor Tan Chuanbao and Professor Xiao-Lei Wang who joined in 2008 and Dr. Dorrie Hancock who joined in 2009 are also standing down. At the AGM to be held in Wuhan, in April 2017, other members of the Committee who have been long-term APNME members (Prof. Laurance Splitter, Dr. Visha Balakrishnan and Dr. Derek Patton) will make way for new faces on the Committee, which will take APNME forward into the future. I am very grateful to all members of the Committee for their constant support. I wish the new Committee all the best as they take APNME forward into its next decade.

When I became the Chairperson in 2014, I was very aware that I was inheriting a very productive period of growth and development under the previous Chair, Chris Drake. Membership had increased significantly, successful conferences has been run and the website had been established to international standards. I said that my aim would be to strengthen the academic standing of APNME, so that it becomes a recognisable academic society in the Asia Pacific region. In perusing that aim, and building on previous discussions between the *Journal of Moral Education Trust* and Chris Drake, I have sought parity with the *Association of Moral Education (AME)* that has enjoyed a close relationship with the JME over the past years. These communications were very productive. At the last Conference in Sydney, Dr. Monica Taylor and Prof. Wiel Veugelers spoke about the Trust and possibilities for closer ties with APNME. It has now been decided that, from 2017 onwards, members who attend Conference will have the same benefit as those who attend the AME Conference, receiving a subsidised subscription to the JME as part of their Conference fee. This link to the JME Trust does much to enhance the status of APNME as an academic society.

Prior to my taking up the role of Chair, the Committee had suggested the idea of a 10th Anniversary publication in some form or another – perhaps an on-line production or book or special issue of a journal. Again, I saw this as an opportunity to take a bold step by using the publication to signal the academic achievement of APNME. I took the view, which was ratified by the APNME Committee, that Dr. Monica Taylor should be a co-editor of whatever form of publication we produced, because the formation of APNME had been her idea when she was Editor of the *Journal of Moral Education (JME)*. After negotiation with the current Editor of JME, it was agreed that we would aim for a Special Issue (SI) of *JME*. Authors were chosen to represent a spread across the region. I am very grateful to the authors for their hard work and patience through what seems like an endless process of editorial revision and peer review. Despite very productive collaboration between the two editors at the start of the project, some difficulties arose that resulted from a clash between pre-Internet ways of handling the review process versus the Scholar One Internet approach. Unfortunately, a major difficulty arose because we communicated via Skype, where no record was kept of what was discussed and agreed. A big mistake! Nevertheless, despite these difficulties, the aim of producing the SI remains intact and there is every reason to believe it will eventually be published in 2017.

Many members who attended the Sydney Conference in December 2015 have said how much they enjoyed it, including the Banquet Dinner held on board a party boat touring the iconic Sydney Harbour. It was all good fun, but I was also delighted with the high standard of presentations and posters presented at the Conference, which gave a clear signal of the status of APNME as an emerging academic community of scholars. I am also pleased to say that the Conference was able to add some US\$5,000 to the APNME account, by way of subs and profit.

In keeping with my aim of raising the academic profile of APNME, and after reflecting on the management of APNME, I believe that some important changes are needed to the Constitution. APNME Members, who attended the last AGM in Sydney, will recall that the issue of the future of APNME and the Constitution was discussed in some detail.

At this forthcoming AGM, November 2016, under Matters Arising from the Minutes of the previous AGM in Sydney, I am proposing two changes which I believe will assist the progress of APNME into the future, as a recognised academic society in the Asia-Pacific region and beyond.

These are:

- 1. I propose that the person who is head of APNME should be called the **President of APNME**, not the Chairperson of APNME. This will bring it into line with AME, which has been the main academic society for moral education, especially in the US and Europe, though some members of APNME are also members of AME. It will also bring it into line with other regionally based international academic societies, such as the *Philosophy of Education Society of Australasia* (PESA), to which some APNME members also belong. Within the Asia-Pacific region, the title of President carries much more status than the title Chairperson, and will therefore be more attractive to senior members to take on the role.
- 2. To avoid confusion, I propose that the title Honorary President be discontinued and instead APNME has a number of Honorary Associates. In fact, if we look back to the first drafting of the Constitution, it was never intended that there would only be only one fixed 'Honorary President'. Clause 12 says: 'The Committee may from time to time invite a respected educationist, whether or not a Member, to be the Honorary President of the Association for an agreed period of time'.
 I am proposing that we retain the core idea, but expand it to more than one such person and rename the role as Honorary Associate. This is in line with the use of such a term in universities for the appointment of respected academics who perform a similar function in faculties. It is also the term used for a category of membership on the Editorial Board of JME.
 I would also support the notion that such persons can attend Conference without paying a conference fee.

In closing, I wish to thank all members of APNME for their support of APNME during the period I have been Chair, and before. Without the members, there is no APNME. As we look towards the future, we can be confident that the first ten years have built very firm foundations. In particular we have established a strong tradition of collegial friendship, which is always clearly displayed when we meet together at our conferences. We have a high class website and a body of members that grows and expands across the region year by year. There is a big need for APNME in our region in developing moral education and therefore a lot of work to be done, in a spirit of collegial trust and harmony. I wish you well.

THE ASIA-PACIFIC NETWORK FOR MORAL EDUCATION HONG KONG

REPORT BY THE TREASURER

FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1ST JANUARY 2015 TO 31ST DECEMBER 2015

I am pleased to present the Receipts and Expenditure Account of The Asia-Pacific Network for Moral Education ("APNME") for the period from 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2015 and its Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2015. APNME is a society registered in Hong Kong in accordance with the Societies Ordinance with certificate CP/LIC/SO/19/38934 dated 31st July 2008.

The period to 31st December 2015 recorded receipts of HK\$50,804.13 and expenditure of HK\$8,154.75, resulting in a net surplus of HK\$42,649.38.

As at 31st December 2015, the Association's total net assets/available funds amounted to HK\$180,318.88.

It is requested that the Association accept, approve and adopt the attached accounts, namely the Association's Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2015 and Receipts and Expenditure Account from 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2015.

18th June 2016

Mayumi Nishino Treasurer

Notes to the Accounts

1. Cash at bank at 31st December 2015 comprised:

HK\$80,000 on deposit.

HK\$40,000 on deposit.

HK\$34,015.01 in savings account (including interest).

HK\$ 45.25 in current account.

US\$ 3,368.93 in Foreign currency savings (equivalent HK\$ 26,258.62)

The total HK\$ equivalent therefore amounted to HK\$180,318.88

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Income and expenditure account for the period from 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2015 (Amounts are expressed in Hong Kong Dollar ("HK\$")

	2015 HK\$		2014 HK\$
Income			
Shanghai (China) conference	10,678.42	US\$1,376.60	
Sydney (Australia) Conference	24,405.12 15,580.20	US\$1,992.33	
Deposit Renewal	130.08 9.92		121.35 10.72
Paypal	0.34		
Bank Interest	0.05		0.29
Total income	50,804.13		132.36
Expenditure			
Website development	8,000.00		26,000.00
Bank charge	54.75		450.00
Travel expenses for preparation for Indonesia con	nference		8,190.00
security device replace	100.00		100.00
exchange-rate loss (US\$ 1911)			35.54
Total expenditure	8,154.75		34,775.54
Net surplus for the period	42,649.38		(34,643.18)

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REPORT BY SECRETARY

FOR THE 2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday 6th November 2016

1. New APNME Committee 6 November 2016

A new APNME Committee will take office at the next AGM on 6th[†]November 2016. In alphabetical order, the member of the new Committee will be:

Kun ASTUTI

(standing down 2017 AGM, eligible for re-election)

Vishalache BALAKRISHNAN

(standing down 2017 AGM, NOT eligible for re-election)

Jiyoung CHOI

(standing down **2017** AGM, eligible for re-election)

Mayumi NISHINO

(standing down 2017 AGM, NOT eligible for re-election)

Derek PATTON

(standing down 2017 AGM, NOT eligible for re-election)

Laurance SPLITTER

(standing down 2017 AGM, NOT eligible for re-election)

WONG MeiYee

(standing down **2018** AGM, **eligible** for re-election)

WU Meiyao

(standing down 2019 AGM, eligible for re-election)

YANG Shaogang

(standing down 2019 AGM, eligible for re-election)

ZHAO Zhenzhou

(standing down 2017 AGM, eligible for re-election)

In addition, Hongyan CHENG who is the Local Organiser of the 2017 Wuhan Conference is a member of the Committee until the AGM that will be held during the Wuhan Conference.

At the time of the 2016 AGM, or shortly after, the new Committee will need to elect a new Chair and a new Secretary, as these two posts become vacant at the 2016 AGM.

2. 2015-2016 APNME Committee membership

The members during 2015-2016 were:

Kun ASTUTI

Visha BALAKRISHNAN

Jiyoung CHOI

Dorrie HANCOCK (secretary)

Minkang KIM (chair)

Mayumi NISHINO (treasurer)

Derek PATTON

Laurance SPLITTER

TAN Chuanbao

Xiao-lei WANG

ZHAO Zhenzhou

3. Meetings

Since the last AGM held 6 December 2015 during the Sydney Conference there have been 3 committee meetings:

- 1. 7 December 2015, at Sydney Conference
 - Present: Minkang KIM, Mayumi NISHINO, Kun ASTUTI, Visha BALAKRISHNAN, Jiyoung CHOI, Derek PATTON, TAN Chuanbao.
 - Apologies: Dorrie HANCOCK, Laurance SPLITTER, Xiao-lei WANG, ZHAO Zhenzhou.
- 2. 18 June 2016, by skype
 - Present: Minkang KIM, Mayumi NISHINO, Dorrie HANCOCK, Kun ASTUTI, Visha BALAKRISHNAN, Jiyoung CHOI, Derek PATTON, Laurance SPLITTER and Mei-Yee WONG.
 - Guests: APNME member in Wuhan (conference proposing group) -Prof. CHENG Hongyan
 - Apologies: TAN Chuanbao, Xiao-lei WANG and ZHAO Zhenzhou.
- 3. 17 September 2016, by skype
 - Present: Minkang KIM, Mayumi NISHINO, Dorrie HANCOCK, Kun ASTUTI, Visha BALAKRISHNAN, Derek PATTON, Laurance SPLITTER, and Mei-Yee WONG
 - Apologies: Jiyoung CHOI, TAN Chuanbao, Xiao-lei WANG, and ZHAO Zhenzhou

4. Membership

There are now 148 APNME members, a total of 41 new members since the 2014 APNME conference in Shanghai, China.

There is currently no annual membership fee. However, conference registrations include a payment to APNME of \$25.

Dorrie Hancock

Secretary