2013 Executive Committee Meeting

The Asian-Pacific Association for Biomechanics

Friday, 30th August, 12:30 - 13:30
KIST International Cooperation Building, Seoul

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Agenda

1. Opening Remarks: Chairman (T. Yamaguchi)
2. Self-Introduction of Attendants
3. Report on APCB 2013 (Seoul): Prof. Kyehan Rhee (Myongji University)
4. Discussion on future activities:
   (1) 8th AP Biomech: Proposal from Prof. T. Ohashi (Hokkaido University)
   (2) 9th AP Biomech with ISB meeting in Brisbane in 2017:
       Proposal from Prof. M. Pearcy (Queensland University of Technology)
5. Resignation of the Current Chairman and Election of Next Chairman
6. Adjournment
7. Next meeting

1. Opening Remarks

Prof. Yamaguchi, APAB Chairman, reported 6th AP Conference on Biomechanics was cancelled because of the Tohoku Earthquake, and he expressed special thanks to the committee member's consolation. Then, the chairman gave thanks to Prof. Young Ho Kim, the conference chair of the 7th AP Conference on Biomechanics (APCB 2013), and all of the conference committee for having such a wonderful conference.

2. Self-Introduction of Attendants

The attendants introduced themselves about name, affiliation, and country.

3. Report on APCB 2013 (Seoul)

Prof. Kyehan Rhee (Myongji University), scientific program chair, reported on APCB 2013 as follows:

- 341 participants
  - International: 128 / Domestic: 213
- 17 countries
- 243 presentations
  - Plenary: 4 / Invited: 8 / Oral: 101 / Poster: 130
(Note: these data due to an official announcement after the conference)

Prof. Young Ho Kim added an announcement that the special issue of JBSE* (Journal of Biomechanical Science and Engineering) on 7th APCB will be published September 2013.
* http://jbse.org/index.php

Q: How many industries have attended?
A: The number of sponsors is 28 including companies and some organizations.

4. Discussion on future activities

(1) 8th AP Biomech.

Prof. T. Ohashi (Hokkaido University) presented a proposal of the 8th APCB at Sapporo,
Japan, as follows (See the attachment document No.1),

-Date: Late of August 2015
-Venue: Hokkaido University or Sapporo Convention Center.
-Chair: Prof. Shigeru TADANO (Hokkaido University)
-Secretary Generals: Prof. Toshiro OHASHI (Hokkaido University) +1
-Program:
  50 oral presentations, 200 poster presentations,
  1 or 2 Plenary talks and 4-5 Keynote talks are considered.
-Awards:
  Best papers, Selected papers to JBSE Special Issue and Yamaguchi medal for young investigators
-Other information:
  Information about Sapporo city, Hokkaido and Hokkaido University was also provided.
  (JSME Annual Meeting will be held in 13-16 September 2015 at Sapporo.)

After exchanging idea about the schedule, 24-27 August was chosen as the 1st candidate date of 8th APCB. It would be fixed after getting approval of Prof. Tadano.

Q: Let us know financial information.
A: Registration fee plan to be taken as the same level as this time. Travel and accommodation fee in August is more expensive than the other month, but 10-20% discount of hotel charge is available on the conference.
Q: Do you have a guesthouse in Hokkaido University?
A: No we don't.
Q: If you use Sapporo Convention Center, can you use at academic discount?
A: It checks later.

It was agreed on holding the 8th APCB in Sapporo at the end of August 2015.

(2) 9th AP Biomech.

Prof. M. Pearcy (Queensland University of Technology) presented a proposal of the 9th APCB with ISB congress in Brisbane, Australia, as follows,

-Date: Late of July - Early of August 2017
-Venue: Brisbane Convention Center. (See the attachment document No.2)
-Chair: Prof. Mark Pearcy (Queensland University of Technology)
It was agreed on holding the 9th APCB joint with ISB congress in Brisbane, 2017. Then, committee's idea was exchanged about how APCB and ISB congress would be open together. It was pointed out that WCB 2010 at Singapore had been held with APCB. It was taken as future subject about the collaboration style of ISB and APCB.

5. Resignation of the Current Chairman and Election of Next Chairman

Chairman Yamaguchi made mention that ten years had passed since the start of APAB, and he expressed his intention to resign from the chairman. Prof. Takeo Matsumoto (Nagoya Institute of Technology) was recommended as next chairman and approved by the committee. Prof. Matsumoto gave the greeting as the new chairman.

6. Adjournment

(1) About management of the APAB
There was a proposal to set the term of office for the chairman, and to make officers other than the chairman, for example, a secretary general, a secretary of the treasury, etc.

(2) Yamaguchi medal for young investigators
There was a proposal to choose the medal candidates or winner by evaluating the total activity of research and academic contribution before the conference.

On above issues, we will make a draft proposal until next committee meeting, and discuss again in next meeting.

7. Next meeting
During 7th World Congress of Biomechanics, July 6-11, 2014, Boston, USA.

Finally, Chairman Yamaguchi gave us a greeting of resignation.

Attachment Documents
No.1 APCB2015 The 8th Asian Pacific Conference on Biomechanics in Sapporo Japan
No.2 Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre http://www.bcec.com.au