



**The 20th AAVS Assembly Meeting**  
**November 24th, 2022, 16:00-17:30 (Japan time)**

**Zoom**

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**Agenda 1: Welcome address**

The AAVS President, Dr. Omar, gave a welcome address. He informed the participants that the AAVS launched the 5-year strategic plan this year and initiated some activities with an aim to harmonize veterinary education in Asia.

**Agenda 2: Agenda**

The Secretary General, Dr. Haga, announced the meeting agenda (**Annex 2**).

**Agenda 3: Report from the 20<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee Meeting**

1) Overview of AAVS activities

Dr. Haga reported the activities since the last assembly meeting:

- organization of the 2<sup>nd</sup> AAVS Virtual Meeting on Veterinary Education in the time of COVID-19
- launch of the AAVS Strategic Plan 2022-2025,
- establishment of 2 working groups for veterinary education, one is for Veterinary Education Enhancement (VEE), chaired by Prof. Omar, AAVS President and Prof. Chang, AAVS Vice President, and the other for Veterinary Education Research (VER), chaired by Prof. Hafsa.
- AAVS sessions on veterinary education, and AMR and Food Safety, during the 2<sup>nd</sup> ICAVESS held by UGM, Indonesia, in collaboration with WOA

- a webinar on veterinary educational research held as an activity of the VER working group; and
  - AAVS Interschool Lecture Round started as an activity of the VEE working group.
- FAVA-AAVS Joint Education Committee (JEC) had a kickoff meeting and the JEC is going to develop the core curriculum and self-assessment tool and to standardize the Day-One Competency for Veterinary School in Asia. The AAVS EC had commented that JEC should collaborate with SEAVSA (South East Asia Veterinary School Association). As the first step, the JEC developed a document on “qualities and competencies to be developed through undergraduate veterinary education” (**Annex 3**).

## 2) Updates on AAVS Office operation

Dr Haga explained the changes on the statutory members of AAVS Office, which is established by Japanese Act. The President of the AAVS Office has been changed to Dr Haga and Dr Hori of the University of Tokyo has been assigned as a new statutory member of the AAVS Office. Both changes are from April 2022. The current roles and responsibilities of AAVS Office are the same as those explained at the 19<sup>th</sup> Assembly Meeting. The AAVS Office is supported by WOAHA Regional Representation for Asia and the Pacific staff, the Fellows of the University of Tokyo and Interns. Maintenance of AAVS Office is estimated to cost approximately 1,500USD per year covered by AAVS membership fees. AAVS Office has issued newsletters and since the last assembly meeting, two issues, No.2 and 3, have been published and available through the AAVS website. As for the Kei-ichiro Maeda Memorial Ise award, Dr. Haga introduced that two winners were selected in 2022.

- Yohei Takeda, Obihiro University of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine
- Fumie Magata, The University of Tokyo

He informed that the award lectures by 2022 winners will be held after the AAVS Assembly Meeting.

## 3) Membership status

Dr Haga reported the membership status:

- As of November 2022, there are 52 Regular Members and 1 Associate Member.

## **Agenda 4: Financial report**

The Treasurer, Dr Takiguchi, gave an interim financial report for 2022. Summary of interim financial statement for the Period of 1 January 2022 to 30 October 2022:

- The total income in USD was 33,425.70USD and the total expenditure in USD was 10,380.88 USD. The balance as of 31 October 2022 was 23,044.82USD.

## **Agenda 5: Election of Executive Committee Members**

Dr. Haga explained that the terms of Representative from South Asia, Representative from Southeast Asia, EC Member 1 and 2 will come to an end this year and proposed the following Members to continue or newly take those positions. The proposal was a result of confirmation of the intention of present members and discussions at the EC meeting which considered that international activities for the past two years were severely restricted due to COVID-19.

- Representative from South Asia – University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka
- Representative from Southeast Asia – Universitas Gadjah Mada
- EC Member 1 – Kasetsart University
- EC Member 2 – Central Luzon State University

Dr. Haga also noted the active participation of those candidates in AAVS activities, and explained that the reappointment of those positions are allowed in bylaws.

To this proposal, one Member expressed interest for joining the EC and another member asked for the criteria to become an EC Member. After some discussions, it was decided to have an extraordinary EC meeting early next year to decide the procedures for nomination and selection of EC members in order to make the process more transparent.

## **Agenda 8: Report from AAVS Working Groups**

### Veterinary Education Enhancement (VEE) (Annex 4)

Dr. Omar, the chair of the VEE WG, briefly reported the following activities:

- Cooperation of AAVS and FAVA on Veterinary Education Enhancement
  - Joint Education Committee was established, and as the first step, seven broad qualities and competencies expected for Asian veterinarians were drafted. Collaborative activities for further steps to develop common self-assessment tool are expected.
- Strengthening veterinary education and teaching resources on global topics of interest
  - further discussion should be made on what would be the best strategy to share resources among members. Common understanding on resource sharing should be explored in 2023.
- Interschool Lecture Rounds 2022
  - started this year and received good response. Three lectures would be conducted in 2022.
  - Lecture materials are available on the AAVS Members Platform
  - will continue and call for speakers in 2023

### Veterinary Education Research (VER) (Annex 5)

Dr. Hafsa, the chair of the VER WG, reported the following activities:

- Establishment of the working group in January 2022 and the first Core Group meeting in March 2022
- First webinar on VER in May 2022, inviting experts from RVC, UK.
- Quarterly meeting in October attended by the Core Group members and other general members, which discussed activities for 2023.
- Plan decided for next year:
  - Quarterly meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of February, May, August and November, with the contents of a faculty CPD (continuous professional development) session inviting general members and a quarterly review meeting attended by Core Group members.
  - A Google Space for Journal Club activities has also been established.

Dr Hafsa also explained that they are considering to call for additional general members of VER WG and any AAVS members interested in the VER activities are welcome to join.

## **Agenda 9: Open discussion on AAVS activities and any proposed issues from Member Institutions**

The discussion was moderated by Dr. Omar, firstly by reviewing the progress on the planned/proposed activities presented during the Assembly Meeting 2021, and with a slide listing planned/proposed activities for 2023. As for the enrichment of teaching resource sharing platform, not much progress had been made since 2021, and continuous discussion with FAVA and discussion on copyright issues were considered to be necessary.

Other topics discussed included:

- Encouraging more members to join, especially from South and West Asia
- How AAVS could initiate exchange of faculty members and students among AAVS member institutions
- Strengthening collaboration with FAVA and SEAVSA

## **Agenda 9: Hosting of the 21<sup>st</sup> AAVS Assembly Meeting**

Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Hokkaido University, agreed to host the AAVS 21st meeting in September 2023, as virtual, face-to-face or hybrid meeting. Holding some sessions or conference back-to-back with the Assembly Meeting would be explored.

## **Agenda 11: Closing remarks**

Dr. Omar gave closing addresses to the meeting participants, by expressing his gratitude for active

participation of AAVS members. He also expressed his expectation for having more opportunities to see each other at face-to-face meetings in 2023.

Lastly, he expressed his appreciation for the strong support provided by the AAVS Office and the WOAHA Regional Representation for Asia and the Pacific, and concluded the meeting.

*Takeshi Haga / Abdul Rahman Omar / AAVS Office*

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