

**SINGAPORE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION**  
**UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE 57TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)**

**Held on 9 April 2017 (Sunday) at 2 pm at the Alumni Auditorium, Level 2,  
2 College Road, Alumni Medical Centre, Singapore 169850**

**Members Present: 17**

**In Attendance:**

Mr Martin Ho, Chief Administrator

Mr Lee Sze Yong, Manager

At 2 pm, there were 13 members and were insufficient for quorum required under Article XI, Section (3)(i) of the SMA Constitution. The President, Dr Wong Tieng Hua, adjourned the meeting for thirty minutes in accordance to Article XI, Section (3)(ii). At 2.30 pm, with 17 members signed in, President, Dr Wong Tien Hua called the meeting to order.

At the request of Honorary Secretary, Dr Daniel Lee Hsien Chieh, all who were present rose and observed a minute of silence in memory of 19 members of the Association who passed away since the last AGM.

**1 OPENING ADDRESS**

- 1.1 President, Dr Wong thanked members present for taking time out to attend the AGM.
- 1.2 In his address to members at the meeting, Dr Wong shared in summary the activities of 2016, starting from the report on Managed Care Survey by the SMA Workgroup on Managed Care to the participation in Health Insurance Task Force. During his address, he also thanked:
  - Minister Dr Vivian Balakrishnan, for gracing the SMA Annual Dinner 2016 as Guest of Honour;
  - Prof Sir Sabaratnam Arulkumaran, for taking up the 2016 edition of the SMA Lecture;
  - all council members for their volunteer service to SMA;
  - A/Prof Gerald Chua, the current Executive Director of SMA CMEP;
  - Dr Tan Yia Swam, Editor of SMA News, and the deputy editors and editorial team;
  - A/Prof Poh Keng Keong, Editor of Singapore Medical Journal;
  - Prof Wong Tien Yin, Chairperson, SMA Charity Fund;
  - Dr Lee Pheng Soon, for assisting in matters relating to medical indemnity during this period of significant changes;
  - the SMA secretariat, for ensuring the smooth operations of SMA.

**2 GROUND RULES**

- 2.1 Honorary Secretary, Dr Lee Hsien Chieh, highlighted the Ground Rules and sought members' cooperation to speak at the microphone and to identify themselves by name for the recording of the proceedings.

**3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 56th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

- 3.1 The minutes were adopted as proposed by Dr Tan Tze Lee and seconded by Dr Toh Choon Lai. There were no matters arising from the 56th AGM minutes.

**4 REVIEW OF ANNUAL REPORT OF THE 57TH SMA COUNCIL 2016/2017**

- 4.1 Dr Lee referred members to the SMA 57th Annual Report 2016/2017.
- 4.2 The SMA 57th Annual Report 2016/2017 was adopted as proposed by Dr Anantham Devanand and seconded by Dr Toh Choon Lai.

**5 AUDITED STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

- 5.1 Dr Tammy Chan, Honorary Treasurer, presented the accounts for SMA Group.
- 5.2 Dr Chan highlighted a surplus of \$544K for 2016. Compared to 2015, SMA's surplus was mainly due to investment gains, income from provision of administration services for indemnity providers and increased fees from ethics course. Our expenses were slightly lower than the previous year.

- 5.3 The main bulk of income came from services rendered to indemnity provider, which will come under strain in 2017 due to the changes in indemnity arrangements for public sector doctors. Membership subscriptions contribute about 21% of total income for the SMA Group. The bulk of expenses were towards membership related activities, publication expenses and general office manpower expenses.
- 5.4 Dr Chong Yeh Woei, Executive Director of SMA Pte Ltd (SMAPL), presented the accounts for SMAPL.
- 5.5 He highlighted that SMAPL's main role was to invest SMA's surplus to generate a better return as compared to bank deposits. The total value of the investments is about \$4.5 million, with roughly 2.95% annualised returns since its inception. UBS is SMAPL's appointed agent for managing investments.
- 5.6 Due to expected market movements in 2017 and the projected interest rate environment, SMAPL has rebalanced its portfolio to a 60% equity portfolio, from a 60% bonds portfolio.
- 5.7 Dr Bertha Woon proposed and Dr Ng Chee Kwan seconded to adopt the audited SMA and its Group, SMA PL and SMA Trust Fund financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016.

## **6 SMA CHARITY FUND (SMACF)**

- 6.1 Dr Noorul Fatha As'art, Board Member of the SMA Charity Fund (SMACF), provided a brief on SMACF's objectives, past projects and activities, and upcoming plans.
- 6.2 Dr Noorul highlighted the need for SMACF to raise more donations to meet the needs of its current charitable activities, which mainly include living expenses support for needy medical students across all 3 local medical schools.

## **7 ELECTION OF SMA HONORARY MEMBERS**

- 7.1 In accordance with Article IV, Section (iv) of the SMA Constitution, the Meeting considered the proposal of the 57th SMA Council to elect Dr Chan Sing Kit and A/Prof Goh Lee Gan as SMA Honorary Members.
- 7.2 The members present unanimously affirmed Council's proposal to elect Dr Chan and A/Prof Goh to SMA Honorary Membership. The conferment of Honorary Membership will be held during the SMA Annual Dinner.

## **8 ELECTION OF 58TH SMA COUNCIL**

- 8.1 The names of the 10 Council Members who would be serving their second year on the Council were announced.

Dr Anantham Devanand	Dr Benny Loo Kai Guo
A/Prof Chin Jing Jih	Dr Noorul Fatha As'art
Dr Chong Yeh Woei	Adj Prof Tan Sze Wee
Dr Daniel Lee Hsien Chieh	Dr Charles Tan Tse Kuang
Dr Lee Yik Voon	Dr Wong Tien Hua

- 8.2 By the stipulated deadline, 10 nominations were received for the 10 vacancies. The 10 nominees were therefore elected to the 58th SMA Council.

Dr Tammy Chan Teng Mui	Dr Tan Tze Lee
Dr Lee Pheng Soon	Dr Tan Yia Swam
Dr Lim Kheng Choon	Dr Toh Choon Lai
Dr Ng Chee Kwan	Dr Wong Chiang Yin
A/Prof Nigel Tan Choon Kiat	Dr Bertha Woon Yng Yng

8.3 The 20 members of the 57th SMA Council were announced:

Dr Anantham Devanand	Dr Ng Chee Kwan
Dr Tammy Chan Teng Mui	A/Prof Nigel Tan Choon Kiat
A/Prof Chin Jing Jih	Adj Prof Tan Sze Wee
Dr Chong Yeh Woei	Dr Charles Tan Tse Kuang
Dr Daniel Lee Hsien Chieh	Dr Tan Tze Lee
Dr Lee Pheng Soon	Dr Tan Yia Swam
Dr Lee Yik Voon	Dr Toh Choon Lai
Dr Lim Kheng Choon	Dr Wong Chiang Yin
Dr Benny Loo Kai Guo	Dr Wong Tien Hua
Dr Noorul Fatha As'art	Dr Bertha Woon Yng Yng

## 9 ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS FOR YEAR 2017/2016

9.1 Dr Lee Hsien Chieh Daniel conducted the election for office bearers. One nomination was received for each of the posts of President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Assistant Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Assistant Treasurer.

9.2 The following were elected Office Bearers of the 58th SMA Council:

Office	Nominee	Proposer	Secunder
President	Dr Wong Tien Hua	Dr Chong Yeh Woei	Dr Anantham Devanand
1st Vice President	Dr Tan Tze Lee	Dr Wong Tien Hua	Dr Chong Yeh Woei
2nd Vice President	Adj Prof Tan Sze Wee	Dr Wong Tien Hua	Dr Loo Kai Guo Benny
Honorary Secretary	Dr Lim Kheng Choon	Dr Wong Tien Hua	Dr Tan Tze Lee
Honorary Assistant Secretary	Dr Anantham Devanand	Dr Wong Tien Hua	Dr Lee Yik Voon
Honorary Treasurer	Dr Loo Kai Guo Benny	Dr Wong Tien Hua	Dr Tan Tze Lee
Honorary Assistant Treasurer	Dr Ng Chee Kwan	Dr Wong Tien Hua	Dr Bertha Woon Yng Yng

## 10 APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AUDITORS

10.1 Members present approved by majority via show of hands, the appointment of Kreston David Yeung PAC as Professional Auditors for the ensuing year.

## 11 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 No other business was raised.

There being no other matters, Dr Wong Tien Hua declared the AGM closed at 3.00 pm.

### DR LIM KHENG CHOON

Honorary Secretary  
58th SMA Council

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**Attendance**

1. Anantham Devanand
2. Chan Teng Mui Tammy
3. Chong Yeh Woei
4. Kwan Pek Yee
5. Lee Hsien Chieh Daniel
6. Lee Pheng Soon
7. Lee Yik Voon
8. Loo Kai Guo Benny
9. Ng Chee Kwan
10. Noorul Fatha As'art
11. Tan Choon Kiat Nigel
12. Tan Tse Kuang Charles
13. Tan Tze Lee
14. Tan Yia Swam
15. Toh Choon Lai
16. Wong Tien Hua
17. Woon Yng Yng Bertha
18. Yeo Sheng Ming Noel

**Absent with apologies**

1. Chin Jing Jih
2. Koh Chin Huat Winston
3. Lim Kheng Choon
4. Lim Liang Boon
5. Tan Sze Wee
6. Wong Chiang Yin