Minutes of the 14th meeting of the Japanese committee for APCTP

December 24th, 2015, 2:15 p.m. ~ 6:00 p.m.

Rm. 124&126, Main Research Building, RIKEN Wako campus

Committee Members

Present:

Kawamoto, Noboru (Chair, Hokkaido U.)

Fujikawa, Kazuo (RIKEN)

Hatsuda, Tetsuo (RIKEN)

Hiyama, Emiko (RIKEN)

Nagataki, Shigehiro (RIKEN)

Tohyama, Takami (Tokyo University of Science)

Yokoyama, Jun'ichi (University of Tokyo)

Yoshida, Naoki (University of Tokyo)

Tada, Tsukasa (Corresponding Secretary, RIKEN)

Teleconference:

Hashimoto, Koji (Osaka University)

Hayakawa, Hisao (YITP)

Hosaka, Atsushi (Research Center for Nuclear Physics, Osaka University)

Ohnishi, Akira (YITP)

Oshikawa, Masaki (ISSP, University of Tokyo)

Sasaki, Misao (The Director of YITP)

Absent:

Iso, Satoshi (KEK)

Other Attendants

Bum-Hoon Lee (The President of APCTP) Shoji Nagamiya (Advisor to RIKEN, The editor-in-chief of AAPPS Bulletin) Eunjeong Lee (APCTP Staff)

Opening

The chairperson, N. Kawamoto declared the opening of the meeting at 14:15 p.m. The chair made a proposal that all the attendants introduce themselves, which was duly complied.

1. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting

It was resolved that the minutes, as presented, were a true and accurate record of the 13th meeting of the Japanese committee for APCTP.

2. Confirmation of the resolution over e-mail and the report of the action taken The resolution that Ms. F. Hara from KEK the recommendation of the auditor to

APCTP which was conducted over e-mail dated on October 23rd, 2015, was reviewed and confirmed. The chair reported that in accordance with the resolution, the letter of the recommendation for the auditor was sent to Prof. P. A. Pearce, the chair of the Board of the Trustees, APCTP.

3. Report of the Board of the Trustees

K. Fujikawa reported on the 21st, 22nd and 24th meetings of the Board of the Trustees which he attended.

Bum-Hoon Lee explained about the 23rd meeting which K. Fujikawa could not attend.

4. Report of General Council meeting

J. Yokoyama reported on the 17th General Council meeting. During the report, N. Kawamoto, the chair, raised an issue of the selection of the program coordinators and the decision-making process at APCTP. The chair asked M. Sasaki to explain how these issues are administered at YITP*, Kyoto University. M. Sasaki duly explained answering questions from Bum-Hoon Lee. A. Ohnishi and H. Hayakawa from YITP also explained the system adopted at YITP.

- *Process of selecting academic programs at YITP
- Evaluators: joint project program committee (22Japanese & international members)
- General process: Application screening->Presentation-> Meeting for Decision making
- No. of participants of the activities: 30 to 300 persons
- Remarks: In general, YITP supports only invited speakers, not all participants.

5. The payment of the Membership fee

- (a) The scheme proposed by KEK administration for the distribution of the defrayal of the membership fee among the participating institutes was explained and approved as presented.
- (b) T. Tada explained the request made by the director of Nishina Center, RIKEN as the condition to participate the defrayal of the membership fee which is that Nishina Center have a say on every other occasion that the Japanese committee recommends the General Council member. It was agreed that the committee takes heed of the request.

6. The amendment of the bylaw of the Japanese committee for APCTP

- (a) The amendment of the bylaw that is in accord with the aforementioned scheme is proposed. It was resolved that the amendment is to be made as proposed.
- (b) K. Fujikawa raised an issue in regard to the membership of the committee. He proposed that the committee should be able to appoint a person indispensable to the operation of the committee as a member of the committee besides the members selected by the research communities and the research institutes. The proposal was discussed and deferred for further consideration.

7. On the next members of the committee

The issue in regard to the election result for the next member that represents the nuclear theory group was explained and the opinion of the committee was sought.

The rule adopted by the cosmology group was pointed out, and it was found to be helpful by the members from the nuclear theory group. The possibility of double voting at the election by the research communities was raised and discussed. A possible solution was proposed. The election result and the prospect of the other research communities were also presented.

8. On the next trustee from Japan

As the term of the incumbent trustee from Japan expires next July, the issue of the selection was brought to the attention of the committee. The mandatory retirement age for the trustee was explained.

Recess

The chair called a recess at this point. The meeting was reconvened 10 minutes later.

After the recess, the issue of the trustee was discussed. It was resolved that the matter shall be put to the vote before March 2016. E. Hiyama and T. Tada were designated as the election board.

9. Discussion with the President of APCTP

The President of APCTP, Bum-Hoon Lee was invited to give the committee an overview of the current status of APCTP. The questions regarding the international cooperation, the relations with KIAS or IBS, the promotion of the Call for Programs, the education and training program and other aspects were asked by the committee members and various opinions and suggestions were presented.

Adjournment

The chair declared the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.