



# SOFTBALL CONFEDERATION ASIA

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## MINUTES OF THE 22<sup>ND</sup> SOFTBALL CONFEDERATION ASIA CONGRESS 2014

Date: 29 October 2014  
Time: 10.00am  
Venue: Youou Shan Grand Hotel, Nantou, Taiwan

### ATTENDANCE

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| 1. | Dato' Low Beng Choo     | President                      |
| 2. | Ms. Taeko Utsugi        | 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President |
| 3. | Dr. Chartchai Essarum   | Vice President                 |
| 4. | Mr. Pan Yi Chuan        | Vice President                 |
| 5. | Dr. Steven Huang        | Hon. President                 |
| 6. | Ms. Sally Lim Swee Gaik | Secretary-General              |
| 7. | Mr. Hiroyuki Yokota     | Co-opted Member                |

### DELEGATES

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| 1.  | Mr. Yang Xu                                  | China – Secretary-General        |
| 2.  | Ms. Zhang Xuan                               | China - Treasurer                |
| 3.  | Mr. Chen Jen Pang                            | Chinese-Taipei – President       |
| 4.  | Mr. Chang Chia Hsing                         | Chinese-Taipei-Secretary-General |
| 5.  | Mr. Johnny Lau Kwok Yip                      | Hong Kong - Vice President       |
| 6.  | Mr. Law Wai Ho                               | Hong Kong - Vice President       |
| 7.  | Mr. Syahrir Nawier                           | Indonesia - President            |
| 8.  | Mr. Ali Abdul Hussein b. Jasim<br>Al- Badawi | Iraq-President                   |
| 9.  | Mr. Ali Abdul-Wahed b. Lazem<br>Al Helfi     | Iraq - Secretary-General         |
| 10. | Mr. Sugao Takahashi                          | Japan - Executive Director       |
| 11. | Mr. Hiroyuki Yokota                          | Japan - Secretary-General        |
| 12. | Mr. Choi Chulnam                             | Korea - President                |
| 13. | Mr. Junjae Choi                              | Korea - Vice President           |
| 14. | Mr. See Kok Wooi                             | Malaysia - President             |
| 15. | Mr. Haider Khan Lehri                        | Pakistan-Secretary-General       |
| 16. | Mr. Banyong Kiatgong-CHOOCHAI                | Thailand - President             |
| 17. | Ms. Arisa Khamchaiyaphum                     | Thailand – Board member          |

### BY INVITATION

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| 1. | Mr. Hideyuki Sawa | Mizuno Representative |
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## **OBSERVERS**

1. Ms. Lee Buyeong Korea – International Coordinator
2. Ms. Akiko Ito Japan-Interpreter
3. Mr. Tomohiro Hisaka Japan Secretariat, Interpreter

## **ABSENT WITH APOLOGIES**

1. Mr. Jeffeury Tan Kok Siong Singapore - President

## **1. ROLL CALL**

SCA President Dato' Beng Choo Low completed the Roll Call and confirmed that a quorum was present.

## **2. PRESIDENT'S WELCOME ADDRESS**

SCA President Dato' Beng Choo Low welcomed all the EXCO members and delegates present to Nantou, Taiwan and thanked everyone for taking the time to attend the Congress. There was a welcome address by Mr. Chen Jen Pang, CTASA President, and Mr. Pan Yi Chuan, SCA Vice President and also Council member of Nantou County. 10 SCA affiliates were present and there was an introduction by every affiliate present. Mr. Woo, owner of Yoou Shan Grand Hotel, also gave a welcome speech. Nantou county representative, Ms. Lee welcome everyone, and said she was happy to join the SCA Congress.

## **3. MINUTES OF THE 21<sup>ST</sup> SCA CONGRESS – 9 DECEMBER 2012, KUALA LUMPUR**

The Minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> SCA Congress held on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2012 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, were approved as proposed by Lau Kwok Yip, Hong Kong and seconded by Haider Khan Lehri, Pakistan.

## **4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There were no matters brought up arising from the Minutes.

## **5. MINUTES OF THE 2<sup>ND</sup> SCA EXCO MEETING – 8 JANUARY 2014, KUALA LUMPUR**

The Minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> SCA Executive Council Meeting (EXCO) held on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2014 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, were approved as proposed by Lau Kwok Yip, Hong Kong and seconded by Haider Khan Lehri, Pakistan.

## **6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There were no matters brought up arising from the Minutes.

## **7. REPORT OF THE SCA PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY-GENERAL** (For the period 1 December 2012 to 7 October 2014)

The Report of the SCA President and Secretary-General for the period 1 December 2012 to 7 October 2014 as attached was tabled, discussed and accepted unanimously as proposed by Mr. Haider Khan Lehri (Pakistan) and seconded by Mr. See Kok Wooi (Malaysia).

President Dato' Beng Choo Low extended her personal thanks to all affiliates who went to Tunisia for the 1<sup>st</sup> World Baseball and Softball Congress (WBSC) and supported her for the Secretary-General position in WBSC. Special thanks also to Mr. Banyong Kiatkongchuchai, President of Amateur Softball Association of Thailand (ASAT), and also Mayor of Chaiyaphum, where ASAT hosted the Asian Junior (19 & Under) 2013. She reminded everyone that it was a big challenge to bring up the standards of Asia Softball.

## **8. SCA's RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS (1 December 2012 to 30 September 2014)**

- 8.1 The SCA's receipts and Expenditure Accounts for the period from 1 December 2012 to 30 September 2014 as attached were tabled.
- 8.2 The Receipts and Expenditure Accounts was unanimously accepted and adopted as proposed by Mr. Haider Khan Lehri (Pakistan) and seconded by Mr. Syahrir Nawier (Indonesia)
- 8.3 President Dato' Beng Choo Low thanked Japan Softball Association (JSA) for their contribution of USD10,000.00 towards the running of the SCA secretariat and another USD10,000.00 towards organizing this Congress.

## **9. SCA ELECTIONS**

- 9.1 Much to everyone's surprise and disappointment, President Dato' Beng Choo Low announced her retirement as SCA President. She told everyone that she has been involved with ASA Asia, before the name was changed to SCA, working together with former SCA President, Dr. Steven Huang, for 30 years – as SCA Vice President, Secretary-General and President. She also thanked Dr. Steven Huang for helping to keep softball alive all these years. She felt that it was time to step down and let younger leaders take over. She introduced the new SCA President, Mr. Pan Yi Chuan (Chinese Taipei) and incumbent Secretary-General, Ms. Sally Lim (Malaysia), both uncontested, and requested for continued support for the new EXCO members. It was also announced that Mr. Tokuda Hiromi (Japan) would be Advisor in the new EXCO Board. The election was carried out and the following is the results:

President:	Mr. Pan Yi Chuan (Chinese Taipei)
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President:	Ms. Taeko Utsugi (Japan)
5 Vice Presidents:	Mr. Yang Xu (China)
	Mr. Syahrir (Indonesia)
	Mr. Choi Chulnam (Korea)
	Mr. See Kok Wooi (Malaysia)
	Mr. Banyong Kiatkongchuchai (Thailand)
Secretary-General:	Ms. Sally Lim Swee Gaik (Malaysia)

- 9.2 In her farewell speech, outgoing President congratulates the new EXCO members, welcomes them and asks everyone to work together for a new way forward. SCA Administration work would continue to be based in Kuala Lumpur. She also announced that Mr. Chang Chia Hsing would be the Secretary to the President in Nantou, Taiwan.
- 9.3 The new SCA President, Mr. Pan Yi Chuan expressed his gratitude to everyone for supporting him. He promised to continue to develop and improve softball in Asia, requesting everyone to continue to work harder together with him. He acknowledge that SCA has shown good progress and development under the leadership of Dato' Low Beng Choo, who has moved on to the international arena, namely ISF and WBSC, and also helping in WBSC's bid to get back into the Olympics. He also announced that Dato' Low Beng Choo is appointed as the Hon Life President of SCA with immediate effect.
- 9.4 Outgoing SCA Vice President Dr. Chatchai Essarum gave thanks and bid farewell to everyone.

## **10. OTHER MATTERS**

- 10.1 Mr. Takahashi asked for all SCA affiliates to work towards inclusion of softball in the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo. He also gave out a flyer on JICA Program to all present.
- 10.2 Mr. Syahrir Nawier invited teams to participate in the Asian Junior Women (19 & Under) to be held in Makassar, Indonesia in December 2014.
- 10.3 CTASA informed that softball would be in the University Games in 2016. CTASA needs SCA to help develop women softball in order to make progress, therefore more competitions are needed.
- 10.4 Pakistan congratulates new EXCO members and apologises for not hosting the South West Asian Cup as there were no teams.
- 10.5 Mr. Hideyuki Sawa (Mizuno) assured that Mizuno would continue its contract with SCA/ISF/IBF.
- 10.5 Hong Kong informed that softball players can get scholarships and it is also easier for them to get jobs in Hong Kong.
- 10.6 It was decided that for the Asian Men & Women championships, the host country only provides hotel and breakfast. Teams provide for their own lunch and dinner.
- 10.7 It was also decided that the Asian Junior Women would be held every 2 years instead of 4 years.
- 10.8 The 1<sup>st</sup> EXCO Meeting (2015 – 2018) would be held in Kuala Lumpur in February 2015.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other matters arising, the meeting was adjourned at 11.15am with a vote of thanks to the Chairperson of the meeting.

**Minutes confirmed by:**

*Below*  
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**DATO' LOW BENG CHOO**  
**Hon. Life President, Softball Confederation Asia (SCA)**

**14 November 2014**

(Minutes prepared by Ms. Sally Lim Swee Gaik, SCA Secretary-General)