



Minutes AFFIA Executive Committee 30/01/2018

Remote meeting – Skype for business
At 16:00 am, Bangkok time

Attending for AFFIA EXECOM

Dr Wasaporn Chanput, Treasurer (BC)
Mrs Anne Deguerry, President (AD)
Mr Bart Verstapen, Deputy Secretary (BV)

Absent:

Mr Tharatorn Teerakunded, Vice-president (TT)
Mrs Regan Suzuki Pairojmahakij Secretary (RSP)

Attending for AFFIA Secretariat

Mr Nathan Preteseille AETS, coordinator (NP)

1. VALIDATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES – 12/01/2018

The Minutes of the 12/01/2018 EXECOM meeting are validated.

The EXECOM decide to set up for next meetings to summarize all the actions points depending on their progress report (done, pending, ongoing etc.) in order to have a clear summary on AFFIA activities.

Action Point: NP will prepare the summary sheet for next meeting

2. Update on China event and brainstorming on possibility for AFFIA to promote the event.

BV: Update (29/01/2018):

1. Dr Longyu mentioned that the early bird period will likely be extended until Feb 11 (2 more weeks). Currently participation is still very low, as we expected.

2. Due to the current low participation, he would obviously be very happy if AFFIA could help attracting more participants - He was already talking about (in)ability of covering the event costs.

3. Should we propose that AFFIA members get a discount if we are more than 5 (or any other suitable number)?

After discussion between EXECOM members, we decide not to ask for discount, but rather try to help them to promote the event.

3. *Regarding AFFIA participation in IFW:*

3a. *with Insect associations*

He was aware of the suggested round-table with the other (EU, US, Africa, ...) insect associations. Purpose would be to establish a global organization. The result of that could be that IPIFF takes control. The round-table would be in the evening on the 1st or 2nd day. This round-table would not welcome people from the general public. So it seems that this is more or less fixed and he mentioned Antoine Hubert as the driving force.

3b. *Adj. Yupa.*

Dr Yupa already has a slot for a presentation. She will talk about small scale insect farming.

Prof Longyu welcomes the idea to team up with her, but I understand the initiative would have to come from the tandem AFFIA+Yupa.

After discussion within EXECOM members, we decide to propose Dr Yupa to grant her the honorary membership and initiate a discussion on a shared presentation.

NP: Who goes from Kasetsart?

NP Remind Australian Association and see if teaming up works for this event at least?

AD mentioned she discussed with Australian Association Olympia Yarger and will contact her.

Action Point:

BC checks who goes from Kasetsart

. AFFIA will promote the IFW conference at Novel Food Workshop in BKK on the 5th February.

. NP will send a letter to the organizer to propose AFFIA help to market IFW through our members and through the other international association.

. AD will go through the statutes and inform EXECOM members about the honorary member procedure asap.

. Dr Yupa will probably attend the Novel Food Workshop on the 5th February, if so, it will be a good opportunity to discuss with her (GAP in Thailand could be a topic)

Finalisation together of a more detailed draft of agenda for the FCS supported event in June before email to Longyu/Dewi. (Screen sharing).

BV asks about the required elements for the Food Security Center. BC indicates that there is a need of simply list of participants and description a few weeks ahead of the workshop, and after of a report.

Action Point:

BV works on the agenda before sharing to others who continue

A draft agenda is sent to Dr Longyu by the 09th February

4. AFFIA registration: Payment of Lawyer and AFFIA Account Statement

NP mentions the current affia account statement and the need to pay the lawyer. He mentions the possibility to delay the payment to AETS. Affia registration is a key element to move forward. **TO DO:**

NP follows up with Dr Pajit Sangchai regarding the registration at his place
BC proceeds to the Lawyer first payment (19232,00 THB).

5. AFFIA Sustainability: NP asks if we should launch a Member's survey?

After discussion within AFFIA members, it is stated that EXECOM has ongoing important stakes such as AFFIA registration that will allow the possibility to get sponsorship.

6. William Schindler Tour

NP is finalizing an offer to Mr. William Schindler and his family for the 10-11/02 for AFFIA. NP will share about how it went later on.

At 17:30 Bangkok Time, the meeting was closed.

The President

The Secretary