

Minutes of the Administrative Council Meeting of AFSUMB

Time: 13:00 to 15:00 JST (GMT+9) on Saturday, May 31, 2025

(Onsite) Place: Room 554, Kyoto International Conference Center

(Online) Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88105124784> ID: 881 0512 4784

Position	Name	Attendance
President	Jeong Yeon Cho (KSUM)	Onsite
Immediate Past President	Iwaki Akiyama(JSUM)	Onsite
President-Elect	Ching-Chang Hsieh (CTSUM)	Onsite
Vice-President 1	Manjula Virmani (IFUMB)	Onsite
Vice-President 2	Shih-Cheh Chen (CTSUM)	Onsite
Secretary	Masayuki Kitano (JSUM)	Onsite
Treasurer	Jae Young Lee (KSUM)	Onsite
Councilors	Ming-Ren Chen (CTSUM)	Onsite
	Jung-Eun Cheon (KSUM)	Onsite
	Sudheer Gokhale (IFUMB)	Onsite
	Akihiko Kikuchi (JSUM)	Onsite
	Jianchu Li (CMA/CSUM)	Onsite
	Quan Bao Nguyen-Phuoc(VSUM)	Onsite
Co-opted Councilors	Kanu Bala (BSU)	Onsite
	TP Baskaran (MSUM)	Absence
	Erdenebileg Bavuujav (MSDU)	Onsite
	Musarrat Hasan (USP)	Onsite
	Kwok Yin Leung (HKSUM)	Online
	H. Sidharta (ISUM)	Onsite
	Natthaporn Tanpowpong (MUST)	Onsite
Representatives	Saqar Altai (OSUM)	Absence
	Moza Alkalbani (OSUM) Substitute	Onsite
	Mukhtar Alam Ansari (USN)	Onsite
	Gervais Wansaicheong Khin-Lin (MUSS)	Onsite
	Millicent Ong(PSUCMI)	Onsite

Observer	Raymond R. Keshwan(PISUM)	Absence
Journal Editor	Yi-Hong Chou (CTSUM)	Onsite
Website/Newsletter Editor	Hideyuki Hasegawa (JSUM)	Onsite

Agenda 1. Greetings from the president, Dr. Jeong Yeon Cho

Agenda 2. Announcement of attendees and absence

Absence: Raymond R. Keshwan (PISUM), Saqar Altai (OSUM) substituted by Moza Alkalbani,

Observers: Mohammad B. Hassan (Iraqi Society of Radiologists and Medical Imaging, ISRAMI), Li Ziang (CMA/CSUM)

Agenda 3. Ratification of the minutes of the last AC meeting on June 19, 2024 [Attachment 1]

Dr. Masayuki Kitano explained the minutes of the previous AC meeting. There were no additional comments from the AC members, and the minutes were approved.

Agenda 4. President's report by Dr Jeong Yeon Cho [Attachment 2]

1. WFUMB 2025: May 29 to June 1, 2025, in Kyoto, Japan

2. Final Report on AFSUMB 2024

- 1,624 participants from 40 countries and regions including 457 overseas participants.
- KSUM donated USD 13,428 to AFSUMB, representing 30% of the surplus generated by AFSUMB 2024.

3. Nomination of AFSUMB Representatives for WFUMB EB/AC and Committees (Term: 2025–2027)

✓ Vice President (Dr. Won Jae Lee), Treasurer (Prof. Iwaki Akiyama)

✓ Administrative Councilor (Dr. Yung-Liang Wan), Co-opted Councilor (Dr. Jeong Yeon Cho)

✓ Committee Members: Dr. Ching-Chang Hsieh, Dr. Masayuki Kitano, Dr. Jae Young Lee, Dr. Naotaka Nitta

4. AFSUMB 2026

- To be held in Danang, Vietnam, on March 12 to 14, 2026
- A site inspection conducted on March 6, 2025, by the President, President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer.

5. WFUMB 2029 Bid

- IFUMB has submitted an application to host WFUMB 2029 in Mumbai.
- The final decision was made at the May 30, 2025 WFUMB Administrative Council Meeting and the 2029 WFUMB will be held in Mumbai, India.

6. New Membership Status

The Pacific Island Society of Ultrasound in Medicine (PISUM) is currently under a two-year provisional membership period and is expected to become a full member of AFSUMB in 2026.

The Iraqi Association of Radiologists and Medical Imaging has contacted the Secretary in order to apply the AFSUMB membership.

7. AFSUMB Young Investigator Awards

A proposal regarding the establishment of AFSUMB Young Investigator Awards will be discussed under New Business on the meeting agenda.

Agenda 5. Secretary's report by Dr. Masayuki Kitano [Attachment 3,4,5,6]

1. AFSUMB membership [Attachment 4,5]

- A total of 18 affiliated societies including PISUM (provisional status)
- The number of AFSUMB membership was 22,923 at the end of the year of 2023, increased slightly in the recent years.

2. Routine businesses

- WFUMB 2025: May 29-June 1, 2025, Kyoto, Japan with the AC meeting
- AFSUMB Workshop 2025: Oct 3-5, 2025, India
- AFSUMB 2026: March 12-14, 2026, Danang, Vietnam with the AC and GA meetings
- AFSUMB 2028: Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

3. Site inspection for AFSUMB 2026 [Attachment 6]

A site inspection was conducted on March 6 2025, confirming that the site is suitable for AFSUMB 2026.

- Venue: Ariyana Convention Centre Danang, Vietnam
- Inspectors: Dr. Jeong Yeon Cho (President), Dr. Ching-Chang Hsieh (President-Elect), Dr. Masayuki Kitano (Secretary), Dr. Jae Young Lee (Treasurer)

4. New Membership

- The Pacific Island Society of Ultrasound in Medicine (PISUM), a two-year provisional member, to be a full member of AFSUMB in 2026.
- The Iraqi Association of Radiologists and Medical Imaging has applied to join AFSUMB.

5. Duty of the affiliated societies

- Requested a membership report by the end of May and payment of annual fees by the end of June.
- Required each society to submit an annual report of its academic activities including annual ultrasound meetings and other workshops.

6. Financial support SOP

- Reminded the AC members of the guidelines for accounting procedures.

Agenda 6. Treasurer's report by Dr. Jae Young Lee [Attachment 7]

- Dr. Lee explained the details of the account statement and requested that the annual membership fees be paid by the end of June.
- He also asked the societies that have not yet reported their membership numbers to report them to him.
- Dr. Kitano raised the issue of not being able to contact Drs. Ansari (USN) and Baskaran (MSUM). It was confirmed that Dr. Bala can contact Dr. Ansari.

Agenda 7. Journal Editor's Report: Prof. Yi-Hong Chou [Attachment 8]

Dr. Chou explained the details of the journal achievements and also added that a total of 86 articles were submitted from home and abroad in 2024.

Agenda 8. Website/Newsletter Editor's Report: Prof. Hideyuki Hasegawa [Attachment 9]

The AFSUMB website: <http://www.afsumb.org/>

Dr. Hasegawa asked AC members to contact with him if some of AC members would like to have the work posted on the website.

Agenda 9. Committee Chair's Reports [Attachment 10]

(1) Education Committee: Dr. Quan Bao Nguyen-Phuoc (Chair)[Attachment11]

- Dr. Nguyen reported on the results of the educational activities held to date and the progress of future activities.

2.1. The project of the Student Webinars 2023 – 2024:

- Program Directors: Dr. Yung-Liang Wan and Dr. Kwok Yin Leung

- WFUMB/AFSUMB Student Webinar continued from Sep. 9, 2023 to July 13, 2024.

2.1.1. WFUMB AFSUMB Student Webinar Series: US of Salivary Gland and Prostate [9th Sept., 2023]

Registered prior to the event: 156, Attended: 103, Viewed the presentation: 11,492 views

2.1.2. WFUMB AFSUMB Student Webinar Series: Ultrasound safety, technology and development [14th Oct., 2023]

Registered prior to the event: 231, Attended: 116, Viewed the presentation: 10,208 views

2.1.3.WFUMB AFSUMB Student Webinar Series: Obstetric Ultrasound [20th Jan., 2024]

Registered prior to the event: 371, Attended: 191, Viewed the presentation: 16,478 views

2.1.4.WFUMB AFSUMB Student Webinar Series: Gynaecological Ultrasound [13th Apr.,-2024]

Registered prior to the event: 343, Attended: 117, Viewed the presentation: 17,394 views

2.1.5.WFUMB AFSUMB Student Webinar Series: Endoscopic Ultrasound and Recent Advances [13thJuly,-2024]

Registered prior to the event: 187, Attended: 91, Viewed the presentation: 14,655 views

2.2.The project of the AFSUMB Workshop in Nepal

- According to the statements of Prof. Mukhtar Alam Ansari and Prof. Umesh Prashad Khanal, President and Secretary General of the Ultrasound Society of the Nepal have had willing to organize AFSUMB Workshop in Nepal on 27th& 28th September 2024; but due to the date is not suitable for preparation by LOC, so the project of the AFSUMB Workshop in Nepal has been postponed.

2.3. 20th AFSUMB Workshop in Bangladesh

- The 30th WFUMB Center of Education [COE] Workshop and 20th AFSUMB

Workshop to was held on March, 1st & 2nd, 2024, Friday & Saturday in the BIAM Foundation, 63 New Eskaton, Dhaka.

2.4. Asia Pacific International Symposium on Advanced Medical Ultrasound (APISAMU)

- Similar to APISAMU programs in previous years, the program in 2024 was focused on advanced technology and co-organized by AFSUMB. The 6th APISAMU was accomplished on October 19,2024.

- There were 80 delegates having participated on site and 56 online

2.5.AFSUMB workshop 2025 India

- Prof. Gokhale, on behalf of IFUMB, has submitted a proposal to host an AFSUMB workshop in Birla Auditorium, Jaipur, India on October 3-5, 2025 along with USCON 2025, the annual congress of IFUMB. The proposal will be discussed at EC and AC meetings.

2.6. WFUMB COE in Asia

- WFUMB COE (Center of Education) in Asia such as in Bangladesh, Indonesia, Mongolia, Vietnam, and Philippines have organised many courses at the nations of COE.

- WFUMB have proved the COE for CTSUM and SUM/CMA this year.

(2) History and Archive Committee: Dr. Musarrat Hasan (Chair)[Attachment12]

- Dr. Hasan described the progress to date and will also post about this congress on the website.

<http://www.afsumb.org/about/history.php>

(3) Ultrasound Contrast Agent Committee: Dr. Jae Young Lee (Chair)[Attachment13]

- The critical role of China, Japan, Korea, and Taiwan in advancing CEUS use and education.

- A tentative rotation plan for ACUCI: Japan (2025), China (2026), Korea, and Taiwan.

- ACUCI 2025 held in conjunction with WFUMB 2025 in Kyoto, Japan.

- ACUCI 2026 to be held in Shanghai, China.

(4) Ultrasound Safety Committee: Dr. Akihiko Kikuchi (Chair)[Attachment14]

The file was updated on February 16 last year on AFSUMB website. Dr. Kikuchi would like all the AC members to help it disseminated to many AFSUMB members. <http://www.afsumb.org/safety/>

Agenda 8. WFSUMB 2025 Report by Dr. Iwaki Akiyama [Attachment 15]

Dr. Akiyama reported that WFUMB2025 combined with JSUM2025 and ACUCI2025 has been held from May 29th to June 1st in Kyoto, Japan. On May 31st, a total of 2010 abstracts were submitted and a total of 7864 participants were registered. This AC meeting was held on May 31st during WFUMB 2025.

Agenda 9. Report on USCON 2025 with AFSUMB Workshop by Dr. Sudheer Gokhale [Attachment 16]

Dr. Gokhale reported that USCON 2025 with AFSUMB Workshop is going to be held at Jaipur Marriott Hotel, Jaipur, Rajasthan, India from Oct 3rd to Oct 5th 2025. The website is up and running. So far already more than 150 delegates have registered

Agenda 10. AFSUMB 2026 Progress Report by Dr. Quan Bao Nguyen-Phuoc [Attachment 17]

Dr. Nguyen-Phuoc reported that AFSUMB 2026 is going to be held at Ariyana Convention Center, Da Nang City, Vietnam between March 12-14, 2026. On March 6th 2025, a delegation from AFSUMB conducted a site inspection, which included experts including Drs. Jeong Yeon Cho, Ching-Chang Hsieh, Masayuki Kitano, and Jae Young Lee. Until July 2025, the Website will be completed. Until December 2025, the final program will be announced. Oral presentation awards, Poster award and Young investigator awards are prepared.

Agenda 11. AFSUMB 2028 Progress Report by Dr. Erdenebileg Bavuujav [Attachment 18]

Dr. Bavuujav reported that AFSUMB 2028 is going to be held at The Corporate Hotel and Convention Centre, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia on June 8-10, 2028. The congress theme is "Ultrasound with AI for 21st century patient". Annual Meeting for Mongolian Society of Diagnostic Ultrasound, AFSUMB workshop, and OB & GYN Meeting will be combined with AFSUMB2028.

Agenda 12. Presentation of Iraqi Association of Radiologists and Medical Imaging for applying [Attachment 20]

For proposal of membership of Iraqi Society of Radiologists and Medical Imaging (ISRAMI), Dr. Mohammed B. Hassan introduced the mission, executive boards, association bylaw, membership overview, and activities relevant to the use of ultrasound. Dr. Kitano mentioned that ISRAMI should report annual membership and activities and should immediately respond to e-mails from the Secretary and other AC members during 2-years provisional periods. After 2-years provisional periods, AFSUMB will decide whether ISRAMI is suitable as an affiliated society of AFSUMB.

Agenda 13. New or other business

Agenda 13-1 Young Investigator Award [Attachment 19]

Dr. Cho proposed Young Investigator Award to encourage young members. Applicants must be under 40 years of age. One candidate is nominated from each society. A total of 6 candidates selected from 18 societies deliver original research papers in the Young Investigator's Session at the AFSUMB Congress. The AFSUMB Young Investigator's Award is presented to three authors of outstanding papers. Three prizes will be awarded: one Grand Prize, _and two Gold Prizes and Honorable Mention Awards will be awarded for one, two and three authors, respectively.

- Grand Prize: USD 1,000

- Gold Prize: USD 500

This new Young Investigator Award will start to be presented from AFSUMB2026, Vietnam.a

Agenda 13-2 Methods of contact

Drs. Hsieh and Kitano mentioned that it was difficult to contact with some AC members because they do not respond to repeated e-mails from the Secretary, and required all members to immediately respond to the e-mails from the secretary and other members. In case of lost contact, the Secretary will use WeChat and WhatsApp to inform the unreachable member that important e-mails are sent him/her.

Agenda 14. Place and date for the next AC meeting

The next AC meeting is going to be held during AFSUMB2026, Vietnam (March 12-14, 2026).

Agenda 15. Closing Remark from the President

Agenda 16. Adjournment and Group Photo

