

Zoom meeting
March 16, 2024

4th board meeting FY2023

Members: Morse, Kosuke, Yao Lu*, Anais*, Talha, Yuki*, Eddy, Junaid*, Fatemee*, Celine,
Nana, Miho, Ryosuke, Awad,
**Newly appointed from FY2024*
Secretariat: Hsiung, Victoria

1)Self-introductions

2)Morse - short speech

Extended welcome to new members. Important to inspire each other. Take this challenge and work towards future of APU. Let us know if you have questions about how alumni board organization works.

3) Finance and budget

Proposal for budget: APU Kids School APPROVED

Also Morse explained to new members how the board decides to support applications for activities that need to be funded by the association. Board makes the decisions quarterly.

APU Homecoming Group proposal – decided to ask for more details *pending approval
It may be useful to coincide homecoming with initiatives planned by Beppu City.

Fukuoka Chapter is asking if they can apply for more budget (for using the FY2023 budget). We will advise them to submit the application as soon as possible. They want to have a gathering in June for 2024 graduates.

How will they gather the graduates? Probably targeting Kyushu area.

4) Self-accomplishment team – Celine reported on Loop.A.S. activities

AP House sleepover, Tenkusai, 20th anniversary event

They also held an election for new members, hope to have a meeting with new members after students return from break. Kosuke-san also touched on the budget for Loop.A.S. activities.

5) Global family team – Talha reported on Leader's Meeting

Meeting with chapter leaders.

Need to update the manual for chapter leaders.

Also need to create examples on how to apply for budget for chapter activities.

Follow-up on Nepal Chapter creation: Application was approved, but chapter has not been inaugurated (ceremony can be held in Nepal locally).

Challenges- how to reactive the chapters and the need to rebuild them, as many chapters could not meet in-person due to Covid.

6) Donations: みらい創造寄付

Kosuke-san shared about the donation/support change makers fund.

Previously Onizuka and Okada-san were in charge but we are recruiting new donation team members.

7) Pledge

Morse shared about the Pledge and the discussions held at the 20th anniversary event.

Morse wants to make a small working group to follow up on the pledge.

Formed break out rooms to discuss the Pledge.

Might be a good idea to have a lounge area for alumni to use/rent whenever they want.

Consider a club membership for alumni (included in alumni fees).

Keio, Waseda, NYU alumni have a similar lounge area. Can generate some revenue.

8) Finance and Budget (Nana)

Did well with spending for the budget in 2023, did not go over budget/total expenses were less than budget.

We would like to use more funds of the budget towards activities, empower Loop.A.S.

Also received some revenue from the companies who joined 20th anniversary (240,000 yen)

Maybe beginning of May – if directors of the board could please propose their budgets and then Nana can make an announcement for next year (2024) budget.

Onizuka explained the Support Change Makers fund. Now recruiting more members.

3 main goals to support students: short-term programs, strengthening support through alliances (start-up support, etc.), support students who will do overseas activities.

Provide money/grant support for students.

Wrapped up the meeting