

Topic: SIDA General meeting

Meeting Date: 9 Nov 2019

Meeting Time: 2pm to 6pm

Attendance: Jason,David,Ben,Fong,John,George,Tan,XiuFeng,TatCheng,Ron,Kim,Nicky,,,

Absence with apology: NingXiang, Freeman, Eddie

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Item	Speaker	Content {Meeting Tweeter Ver 3.0 (U001R03) }
001	System	Meeting Started
002	Jason	I'll start today meeting. First, I'll remind everyone of the ground rules. 1.Do not get angry. 2.Do not say words like ""cannot work"", ""stupid/lousy idea"" and etc. Instead say ""Strength is"", ""Good thing is"", ""Weakness is"", ""Problem is"" and etc." 3.Do not insult or verbal attack on anyone or any race or any religion in the meeting. 4.Everyone must AGREE TO DIS-AGREE, but there must be a reason to dis-agree. 5.Yellow card can be issued if the above rules are infringe, two yellow card equal one red card, one red card equal one penalty.
003	Jason	We have a few visitors today. They are John, Fong and Ron. Ron attended previous SIDA meeting but have not yet join SIDA. So he's still consider to be or visitors. So, we'll do a round of self introduction for SIDA members and visitors.
004	All	(Self introduction)
005	Jason	For our visitors benefit, I'll run through a presentation about SIDA Alpha model. This is to give an idea of how SIDA can help our members with their invention.
006	Jason	(Presentation of SIDA Alpha model).
007	Jason	Our visitors should now have a better understanding of how SIDA work. I'll like to ask our visitors, was the Alpha model up to your expectation ? Any comments ?
008	Fong	It looks like the SIDA Alpha model emphasize a lot on the patent process. It does not place importance on the commercialization aspect.
009	Jason	The SIDA Alpha model presentation emphasis is on the SI-AP system. The system encompasses the whole invention process. This include patent process all the way to commercialization. A lot of our members get stuck at the patent process because it is too expensive to hire patent lawyer. Therefore the patent process needs to be address in the Alpha model. But the system does cover the commercialization process using the Friends Of SIDA network.
010	Ron	How can inventor work together with SIDA with their invention. What is the plan for new members who join SIDA ?
011	Jason	For new members, I'll always run through the SIDA Alpha model presentation with them at least once so that they know the existence of the SI-AP system. If you're looking for a plan , SI-AP would be it. If inventor need help with their invention, for example prototype, they are encourage to bring their invention to the SI-AP. Once they do that, it become official and SIDA members can help them. But please take note that SIDA members help them out of their good wills. SIDA members have their own work and family commitment. The inventor must do all the work themselves. This applies for all SIDA members.

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012	John	I know that Singapore Science center has facilities and equipment that is suitable for inventor to do prototype. They are going to close down the area. I hope SIDA can take over the management of this place so that inventors can use it to do their prototype.
013	Jason	Thank you John for the information. At this point in time, SIDA does not have the management capabilities and resources to manage and run a place for inventors to do their prototype. All our members have their own work and family commitment. They are offering their time to SIDA with no monetary gain. It would be difficult to get them to take over the management of such a facilities. Then there is the issue of getting funds to run the place (electricity, water, insurance, full time staff and etc.)
014	Jason	If there is no other feedback and comment, I'll like to ask if any visitors want to submit their membership form and fee.
015	John	I'll do that.
016	Fong	I'll submit my membership form first, I'll get the fee ready and submit in the next meeting.
017	Ron	I'll also submit my membership fee and pay in the next meeting.
018	Jason	Ok, I'll activate John's SIDA membership from today onwards. I'll do the WhatsApp invitation to John to join in the SIDA chat group. For Fong and Ron, I'll activate your membership in the next meeting after SIDA receive your membership fee.
019	Jason	Next, I'll like to inform all members that our constitution amendment was approved by Registry of society. The cost for this amendment was S\$130, and reimbursement was done. Our SIDA domain name was renewed for two years at S\$90.
020	Jason	Changes to the amendment was section 9A, 13A, 14 and 16. Please go to our SIDA website and click on the "Member" and then "SIDA Rules" if you want to check.
021	Jason	I'll go on to the topic on SIDA letterhead. In the previous SIDA meeting, there was a lot of opinions on the SIDA letterhead. I'll like to continue discussion.
022	Kim	Instead of the slogan "Patent is a rich person game....", it should be SIDA mission statement.
023	Jason	Noted.
024	John	The correct wording should be "Patenting is a rich man's game..We help the poor man join the game."
025	Jason	Noted.
026	Ben	I think it should be "Inventing is for everyone."
027	Jason	Noted.
028	George	The part on "SIDA is registered under the Ros..." Should be deleted and replaced by SIDA URL. I think there is no need to encourage reader to go to Ros website to check SIDA.
029	Jason	Noted.
030	All	(More discussion)

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031	Jason	I summarize the options for the slogan. Option A: Patent is a rich person game...we help the poor person join the game. Option B: Patenting is a rich person game...we help the poor person join the game. Option C: Delete the slogan Option D: Patenting is a rich man's game...we help the poor man join the game. Option E: Inventing is a rich man's game...we help the poor man join the game. Option F: Patenting is a rich person game...we help everyone join the game. Option G: Inventing is for everyone.
032	Jason	I'll take note of comment from everyone. This issue will be put to next SIDA meeting. In the next SIDA meeting, I'll make a summary of the opinions collected and then I'll call on the SIDA committee to vote on the letterhead.
033	Jason	Next item in the agenda is the SI-AP Committee Action Notice or CAN. In our current system, inventors of SI-AP project can make use of SIDA name to communicate with external parties to commercialize their inventions. But they must inform SIDA committee and get their approval before they use SIDA name. Therefore, we need to establish a work flow where this process can be efficiently executed.
034	Jason	For this reason, I will propose setting up a WhatsApp group specially for SIDA committee only. If there is any action that the inventors of SI-AP project that need to use SIDA name, they will inform me. I'll then post a SI-AP Committee Action Notice in the committee WhatsApp chat about the action. If the committee read the notice and find that it is not appropriate, they must voice out in the chat group. There will be a time limit of one week. If one week pass without any objection to the action, it will be executed. Everything will be traced and dated in the WhatsApp chat group. Is there any objection?
035	George	The notice should be put in the time. Example, "This notice will be executed from 17 Nov 2019, 0000hr if there is no issue from committee"
036	Jason	Ok, time information will be included. Any other objection?
037	All	No objection.
038	Jason	SI-AP Committee Action Notice using the WhatsApp is officially approved and will be implemented.
039	Jason	Next, I'll do a debrief on the IP week that was held on 27 to 28 Aug 2019. IPOS was kind enough to offer SIDA two complementary tickets for this event. David and I took the offer to attend the event on behalf of SIDA. I'll summarize here and point out some of the information that may be useful to all members. All information has been uploaded to SIDA website. Please go there to download if you are interested.
040	Jason	(Debrief of IP week 2019)
041	Jason	Next item is a discussion on Meeting improvement initiated by TatCheng. TatCheng, please voice your concern.
042	TatCheng	One problem I see with SIDA meeting is that SIDA administration issue are discussed. These issues may not be of interest to some members. Therefore, it may be better to put these issues in another meeting purely for committee only.

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043	Jason	Thanks for the feedback. I'm still trying to figure out the best way to run the meeting. If I call a separate meeting purely for committee only, then I'll need to call for separate meeting for members. As you know, everyone have their own commitment and time table. It is difficult to arrange a suitable time to get maximum members and committee to attend. This will make it difficult for me to arrange and execute the meeting.
044	Jason	Another difficulty is that a separate committee meeting may not be operational effective. Example, there is only one simple topic for committee to discuss. I called a committee meeting. Then committee free up their time table and get together. But we only discuss for 30 minutes and call the end of meeting to go home. This doesn't sounds good.
045	TatCheng	We can conduct the meeting such that the first 2 hours is discussion on committee matter. Then the members can come in after the 2 hours.
046	Jason	It is difficult to fix the 2 hours discussion on committee matter. If the committee matter finished within 30 minutes. Does this mean that we have to wait for another 1.5 hours so that members arrive before we can continue the meeting. This is operationally very difficult.
047	Jason	I understand the concern and I'll try to keep the SIDA administration off the meeting if possible. If a decision can be make within the committee in the WhatsApp discussion, I'll try to do that.
048	Ron	What is the time interval between each meeting?
049	Jason	I try to call for a meeting with about 2 months interval.
050	Ron	Can we make it every month? Or fix the schedule for the whole year.
051	Jason	I'll call for meeting whenever there are issues to discuss. Usually it is about two months. If there are no issue to discuss, I see no reason to call a meeting. I can't promise a monthly meeting because I don't know the issues before hand. Please note that I need to make lots of preparation and work before and after meeting. I cannot promise a monthly meeting because I don't have enough time.
052	Jason	I also cannot fix a schedule because time table for each member is different and dynamic. I appreciate the suggestion.
053	Tan	I like to bring out the issue of one of our member was not able to attend SIDA meeting due of a patent litigation conflict of interest with another member who was a lawyer.
054	Jason	This is a delicate topic. I'll put it off to next SIDA meeting as one of the agenda issue. This would likely be a very long discussion.
055	Jason	Next topic is on the IPOS-SIDA meeting. Please note that this meeting will be postponed to next year 2020, this is because the IPOS had recently moved their office from Bras Basah to Paya Lebar. So they have no time to meet with us.
056	Jason	Going to the next item, I proposed to start a "Patent Share Initiative". Purpose is to share individual experience in their patenting process. If any member wants to share their experience on patenting, please let me know. I'll set a time slot in SIDA meeting for the member to share his or her experience. Then everyone can learn and discuss. Any objection ?
057	All	No objection.

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058	Jason	Beside the "Patent Share Initiative", I will introduce another initiative. I called it "SIDA Open Invention Initiative" or SIDA Oil (Pronouced as "Oil"). If any member has an invention but no intention to commercialize it. He can bring it to this initiative, disclosed it for the public to benefit. SIDA will publish his invention in SIDA website and acknowledge his contribution. Any objection ?
059	All	No objection.
060	Jason	To kick off the SIDA Open Invention Initiative, I will contribute my first open invention. This invention is to address the recent problem of e-scooter accident with an elderly woman on the foot path and causing her death.
061	Jason	(Explanation of SIDA Open Invention Initiative #1.)
062	Jason	Lastly, I like to inform everyone that I will be calling for a meeting with Enterprise Singapore next year (2020). In this meeting, I will do a presentation to convince Enterprise Singapore to collaborate with SIDA.
063	Jason	(Presentation of ESG-SIDA meeting, A SIDA glimpse into a future of Singapore Innovation)
064	Jason	If there is no other issue, I now declare the end of this meeting.
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