

Topic: SIDA Annual General Meeting

Meeting Date: 11 Jan 2020

Meeting Time: 2pm to 5pm

Attendance: Jason,Ben,Alex,Rekha,John,Nicky,Kim,T.eh,TanYL,George,Ron,Eddie,TatCheng,XiuFeng,

Absence with apology: Freeman, David

Note: This is an approved copy. This copy was circulated to all related SIDA members from 15 Jan to 23 Jan 2020. This meeting tweeter log will be published in SIDA website from 23 Jan 2020 onward.

Item	Speaker	Content ..... {Meeting Tweeter Ver 3.3 (U001R03) }
001	System	Meeting Started
002	Jason	I will start the meeting.
003	Jason	I will set a 2 hours timer and we will take a break when the timer sounds off.
004	Jason	I will begin with the ground rules for the meeting. I've added a few more temporary rules to see if it can make the meeting run better.
005	Jason	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. 6.(Temporary) Meeting to be held in three sessions (Free, Timed and Present). 7.(Temporary) Free session: Anyone can talk any time.
006	Jason	8.(Temporary) Timed session: Individual raise hand to meeting coordinator. Coordinator let individual talk with a timer count down. Individual can appeal for more time. Only one person can talk. 9.(Temporary) Present session: Only presenter can talk. Others should refrain from asking question until end of presentation. 10. The meeting coordinator role is to ensure everyone has a chance to voice their opinion and that the time does not over run. He may interrupt you if the discussion deviate too much from the agenda. This interruption is not personal.
007	Jason	Today is SIDA Annual General Meeting, so I'll need to do a quorum to make sure that we have enough participant.
008	Jason	We have SIDA members Ben, Alex, Nicky, Kim, Teh, TanYL, George, Eddie, TatCheng and me.We have 10 participants which is more than the needed quorum of 6. So this AGM is able to proceed. Rekha and John will not be counted because they just joined.
009	Jason	Next item on the agenda is visitors. Rekha and Fong just submitted their annual fee and entrance fee, so our only visitor is Ron. But Ron was already in our last two SIDA meeting, so no need to do anymore SIDA introduction.
010	Jason	Next, I will be collecting membership fee from members.
011	All	(Membership fee collection)
012	Jason	Now, I will go to SIDA financial report. I'll hand the meeting over to George to brief everyone.
013	George	(Briefing on SIDA financial report ending 31 Dec 2019)
014	Jason	Are there any issue on the financial report ?
015	All	No issue.
016	Jason	Since there is no issue on SIDA financial report. I now declared the SIDA financial report as verified and will be submitted later to Singapore Registry of Society for approval.

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017	Jason	I will now go to our SIDA annual report, I will do the presentation.
018	Jason	(Presentation of SIDA Annual Report 2019)
019	Jason	Are there any issue on the Annual report ?
020	All	No Issue.
021	Jason	Next, I will be starting a review of SIDA road map. The old road map was done in 2016. I think it is time for us to review it and see what we need to focus on for the next couples of years. Please go to SIDA website ( <a href="https://www.sida.org.sg/roadmap/">https://www.sida.org.sg/roadmap/</a> ) and review it . I will make some proposal in the next SIDA and start this discussion.
022	Jason	Next item is that the SIDA calender for 2020 is now available in SIDA website ( <a href="https://www.sida.org.sg/cal">https://www.sida.org.sg/cal</a> ). It contain some explanation on PCT (Patent Cooperation Treaty). If you want to take your patent oversea, it will be good for you to check this out.
023	Jason	I now go on to the item on SIDA letterhead. We need to review this item that was heavily debated in the past two meetings. I will do a summary of the discussion and then I will call on our SIDA Committee to vote on a decision to adopt the letterhead.
024	Jason	First is a summary of discussion in previous meetings on 3 Aug 2010 and 9 Nov 2019.
025	Jason	On the issue of overall design of the proposed letterhead, some members expressed that the letterhead does not looks professional.
026	Jason	On the issue of the first line "SINGAPORE INVENTORS DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION", there was no issue.
027	Jason	On the issue of the second line "Patent is a rich person game...we help the poor person join the game.". Some member thinks that this slogan is unconventional and not done in normal letterhead. Some member thinks that this slogan should be SIDA mission statement which is "Developing future inventors." Some member thinks that this slogan discriminate against a rich person.
028	Jason	Following are some of the other options... 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.
029	Jason	On the issue of the third line "(UEN Ref: S82SS0011F, SIDA is registered under Singapore Registry of Society, <a href="https://www.ros.gov.sg">https://www.ros.gov.sg</a> )".Some member thinks that "SIDA is registered under Singapore Registry of Society, <a href="https://www.ros.gov.sg">https://www.ros.gov.sg</a> " should be deleted because there is no need to encourage reader from checking on SIDA.
030	Jason	On the issue of the forth line "65A JALAN TENTERAM #07-02/03 ST MICHAEL'S INDUSTRIAL ESTATE SINGAPORE 328958", there was no issue.
031	Jason	I will start the discussion on the design of our letterhead. I call on all members to make any additional comment.

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032	Jason	I will start with my comment. I want to address the issue that some members expressed that the letterhead does not look professional. This design was created with input from David Chen (An architect with numerous design awards). Therefore, I think it is already as professional as it can be.
033	Jason	If there is no other comment, I will proceed to ask SIDA committee to vote on the design. I would like to point out that if the majority vote against this design, these majority should get together separately to come up with another design. Then they can bring it to next SIDA meeting for another round of voting. I think this is fair.
034	Jason	I like to see of hand, who is in favor of the current propose letterhead design.
035	All	(Jason, Alex, Nicky, Kim, TanYL and George voted in favor of the current propose letterhead design.)
036	Jason	We have a majority vote and I now declared that the current proposed letterhead design is now adopted.
037	Jason	On the issue of the first line "SINGAPORE INVENTORS DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION", there was no issue. So I proceed straight to the committee voting.
038	Jason	Committee please show your hand in favor of the current proposal.
039	All	(All voted in favor of current proposal)
040	Jason	On the issue of the second line "Patent is a rich person game...we help the poor person join the game.". Is there any comment from any members ? If not, I will comment.
041	Jason	I prefer this slogan because it got punch and power. It strikes the reader straight in the face and creates a powerful and lasting effect.
042	Jason	Some member thinks that this slogan is unconventional and not done in normal letterhead. My thinking is that we are inventors. When we see something that is unconventional, it means something new. We should not reject something new because it is simply unconventional.
043	Jason	Some member thinks that this slogan discriminate against a rich person. My thinking is that if a rich person feels discriminated, does it mean that he looks down on poor inventor? Does it mean that he is against helping the poor inventor to join the patent game ? A game that only the rich man can play. Should SIDA encourage people with this kind of mentality to become its member?
044	Rekha	I think that the letterhead is an official document and should not have any slogan.
045	Ron	I think that the slogan should be short.
046	Jason	If there is no other comment, I will proceed to ask SIDA committee to vote on the second line. Please raise your hand if you are in favor of the current proposal.
047	All	(Jason and TanYL voted in favor)
048	Jason	Please raise your hand if you are against the current proposal.
049	All	(Alex, Nick, Kim, George, Xiufeng, TatCheng voted against)
050	Jason	I now declared the current proposal void. So I will proceed to ask committee to vote on the other options.
051	All	(Voting on other options)
052	Jason	We have one vote (TanYL) for option A "Patent is a rich person game...we help the poor person join the game."
	Jason	We have five votes (Alex, Nick, Kim, George, Eddie) for option C to delete the slogan.

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	Jason	We have one vote (Jason) for option D "Patenting is a rich man's game...we help the poor man join the game."
053	Jason	Therefore the voting result is to delete the slogan and leave the second line blank.
054	Jason	I will proceed to the third line "(UEN Ref: S82SS0011F, SIDA is registered under Singapore Registry of Society, <a href="https://www.ros.gov.sg">https://www.ros.gov.sg</a> )". Any comment ?
055	Jason	I will comment. Some member thinks that "SIDA is registered under Singapore Registry of Society, <a href="https://www.ros.gov.sg">https://www.ros.gov.sg</a> " should be deleted because there is no need to encourage reader from checking on SIDA. I have an alternative view, we should encourage a reader to go to ROS website to check on SIDA. This information will make the reader curious. If the reader takes the effort to do this, he will become more interested. When the reader checks on SIDA through the ROS website, he will find that SIDA is legitimate and serious.
056	TanYL	I think that for people from oversea, they may not know about SIDA, this line make it easy for them to check. This is good.
057	Eddie	I think we can assume that people will look at our letterhead, goto SIDA website and use its UEN number to check through the ROS website.
058	Jason	I now call on SIDA committee to vote on this issue. Please show your hand for those who is in favor to take out "SIDA is registered under Singapore Registry of Society, <a href="https://www.ros.gov.sg">https://www.ros.gov.sg</a> " and who is in favor of keeping it.
059	All	(Voting)
060	Jason	We have Kim, Eddie and George in favor to take out.
061	Jason	We have Alex, Nicky, TatCheng, TanYL and Jason in favor of keeping it.
062	Jason	I now declared that the current third line proposal is adopted.
063	Jason	Lastly, on the issue of the forth line "65A JALAN TENTERAM #07-02/03 ST MICHAEL'S INDUSTRIAL ESTATE SINGAPORE 328958". Is there any comment ?
064	All	(No comment)
065	Jason	So I now call on the committee to vote in favor or against the current proposal on the forth line.
066	All	(Voting)
067	Jason	All voted in favor of the current proposal on the forth line. Our SIDA letterhead is finally approved. I will make the necessary modification.
068	Jason	We will go to the next item in the agenda, SI-AP revision from version 5.0 to 5.1.
069	Jason	Referring to the SI-AP work flow ( <a href="https://www.sida.org.sg/si-ap/system/">https://www.sida.org.sg/si-ap/system/</a> ), this is a minor revision to Step#130. There is an addition to item#5 that clarify the method to determine the number of stars rating for the evaluation. Is there any objection to this revision ?
070	All	No objection.
071	Jason	SI-AP version 5.1 is now approved.
072	Jason	Next is our SIDA election to select the committee for the next term from 2020 to 2021.
073	All	(Election process, David was not able to attend the election due to his brother funeral wake. A phone call was made to David and placed on speaker mode so that everyone in the meeting can hear. Proposal was made to elect David to be SIDA Vice President and David has accepted the post through the phone conversation)

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074	Jason	The result of SIDA election is summarized as followed. Tan Yin Leong (President) David Chen Siew Hong (Vice-President) Teo Chei Wei, Nicky (Asst. Hon. Treasurer) George Chan Meng Kong (Hon. Treasurer) Jason Leow Wee Dar (Hon. Secretary) Kim Ong Seok Khim (Asst. Hon. Secretary) Xiu Feng (Committee Member) Chan Kong Thoe, Eddie (Committee Member) Lee Tat Cheng (Consultant) Bong Boon Hwee, Alex (Committee Member) Chan Pui Teng Michelle (Auditor) Thum Mun Cheong, Ben (Committee Member)
075	Jason	The next item in the agenda is SIDA Open Invention Initiative number two. This is an invention from me. I hope to use this to encourage our members to do more inventions.
076	Jason	(Presentation of SIDA OOI #2, Open Invention Initiative)
077	George	It is better to take out the mentioning of Sheng Siong supermarket to prevent unnecessary problem.
078	Ron	Should also take out the brand label on the tissue box.
079	Jason	Point taken.
080	Kim	I think you should make a video to put in YouTube and make it go viral.
081	Jason	This is an open invention. I have no intention to spend too much time on this. I only want to publish it in SIDA website and encourage our members to invent. But your point is noted.
082	John	I think SIDA should set up a platform with facilities and proper equipment so that our member can do their prototype.
083	Jason	Noted. Please also take note of that this was mentioned in previous meeting. Please review the meeting log (item#12, 13) at <a href="https://www.sida.org.sg/2019/09/16/sida-meeting-on-9-nov-2019-sat-2pm/">https://www.sida.org.sg/2019/09/16/sida-meeting-on-9-nov-2019-sat-2pm/</a>
084	Jason	I will go to the next agenda item on the plan for ESG-SIDA meeting (ESG = Enterprise Singapore). I made a presentation on the content of this planned meeting in previous meeting on 9 Nov 2019. I will approach ESG after the Chinese New Year and arrange to meet with them. Please watch out for my WhatsApp message in our SIDA chat group. This meeting is open to all SIDA members.
085	Jason	(Presentation: A SIDA glimpse into a future of Singapore future innovation)
086	TanYL	I like to point out that in our first meeting with ESG, we make a mistake because we threw out too many suggestion to ESG people. Making it sound like SIDA is asking for a lot things from them. It was supposed to be a simple meeting to let ESG to understand SIDA. The result was not very satisfactory.
087	Eddie	I think the the government has no idea what SIDA want. We should make more specific request to them in order to collaborate. Example, we can suggest making SIDA part of their approval process in their fund grant for invention projects.

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088	Jason	We have one last item in the agenda on discussion on conflict due to court litigation process initiated by Tan, but we are late on time. Since this topic is not urgent, I'll push it to next SiDA meeting.
089	Jason	I now declare the end of today SIDA Annual General Meeting.
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