



The 30th Council Meeting of the Federation of Asian Veterinary Associations (FAVA)

The FAVA Council met on Wednesday 4th November 2009, commencing at 10.15 a.m., at BITEC Convention Center, the FASAVA2009 Congress Venue, Bangkok, Thailand.

The official representatives of all FAVA Member Associations were cordially invited to attend. Present were Dr. Pratuang Sudsakorn and Dr. Achariya Sailasuta (TVMA); Dr. Manuel C. Carlos, Dr. Alicia A. Layson and Dr. James Micheal G. Cheng (PVMA); Dr. Woo, Yean-Chul and Prof. Yong Ho Park (KVMA); Dr. Johnson Chiang (TwVMA), Dr. Yang, Simon (TaipeiVMA);

Observer were Dr. Kevin Vang (Regional Director of WSPA South and South East Asia), Khun Saneekarn Rosamontri (WSPA) and Prof. J.-F. Chary (Inspector General of Agriculture, Food and Rural Areas, Paris, France)

Messages and reports from the members association

Dr. Pratuang Sudsakorn, of TVMA reported the Veterinarian status, the continuing study under the veterinary council, by Law, the collaborating with other association for combating the emerging diseases, the cattle bank by donating the money for saving their life of cows to the farmers, the Veterinary Volunteer center for the animal welfare and public health concerns.

Report on FAVA2008 Congress

Dr Vanda Sujarit, Chair of FAVA 2008 submitted the report on the 15th FAVA Congress which was held during 27-30 October 2008 at the Bangkok Convention Center, Sofitel Centara Grand Hotel in Bangkok, Thailand. The Thai Veterinary Medical Association was honored to organize the congress with the cooperations of all Veterinary Schools in Thailand, Department of Livestock Development, Thailand Convention and Exhibition Bureau, The Thai Veterinary Diagnosticians Association and related private sectors. The congress was organized under the theme "Food Safety : Veterinary Roles for the World Kitchen" Moreover the World Organization of Animal Health (OIE) arranged the joint-symposium on "Emerging Diseases". Regarding to the scientific programme

arrangements, 36 special guest lectures and panel discussions, 33 oral presentations from 13 countries, 178 poster presentation from 20 countries, 26 scientific exhibitions and 5 excursions were performed. There were 894 delegates all together from 32 countries. During the period of the 15th FAVA Congress, there were opportunities to hold related meetings i.e. The Meeting of Deans of Veterinary Schools, FAVA Council of Representatives Meeting, TVMA Meetings and the Meeting of the Thai Veterinary Diagnosticians Association. In Final, the 15th FAVA Congress enlightened the cooperation among asian and oceania countries, strengthened the veterinary network of FAVA and brought up the relationship among FAVA friends.

Future FAVA congress and Council meeting

The PVMA proposed to host 16th FAVA congress on 16-18 February 2011 in connection with the PVMA annual conference. The Congress will be held in Zebu. Regards to the 31th FAVA council meeting will be held in November 2010, Manila, the Philippines. For the 17th FAVA Congress in 2013, the council has suggested the possibility of JVMA or TwVMA to be the host. And the decision will be processed in the next FAVA council meeting, 2010. Thw council has agreed.

FAVA Strategy Planning 2010-2015

The General Secretary has distributed the questionnaire of the FAVA Strategy planning among the members. There were 7 associations submitting the questionnaires till 30 October 2009. The FAVA office will collect and report in the 31st FAVA Council Meeting in 2010.

FAVA activities

Regards to the next **Veterinary Education Conference, in 2011** will mark the 250th world anniversary of veterinary education and also of the veterinary profession. It is the reason that we have proposed that 2011 should be declared “**World Veterinary Year**” Among many events already proposed all around the world in the year. Prof. J-F Chary, on behalf of the committee has invited FAVA to be associated member of the committee in the representative of Veterinary profession in Asia. The opening ceremony for World Veterinary Year will be held in France, 13 January 2010. The council decides to support in principle and agreed to be an associated member of the committee which calls on countries members of the region to acknowledge the importance of the World Veterinary Year and, at the same time, recognises the year 2011 by arranging the events for celebrate this year.

Universal Declaration of Animal Welfare

The Council considered the Universal Declaration of Animal Welfare and agreed to support it in principle in the same way that had been agreed. Regards to this activity, Dr. Kevin Vang, WSPA Asia Regional Director and Ms. Saneekarn Rosamontri, WSPA Asia Programmes Manager were grateful for FAVA supported and reported the progress of UDAW in Asia.

The Council meeting concluded at 3.00 pm.