## Minutes of the 8<sup>th</sup> Asian Physics Olympiad Shanghai, China, April 21-29, 2007

1. The following 22 countries and regions were present at the 8<sup>th</sup> Asian Physics Olympiad:

Australia (8+2), Azerbaijan (2+1), Brunei Darussalam (6+2), Cambodia (6+2), China (team I: 8+2, team II: 8+1), Chinese Taipei (8+2), Hong Kong (8+2), India (2+1), Indonesia (team I: 8+2, team II: 8+2), Israel (8+2), Kazakhstan (5+2), Kyrgyzstan (7+2), Laos (4+1), Macau (4+1), Mongolia (8+2), Nepal (5+2), Sri Lanka (7+2), Singapore (8+2), Tajikistan (2+2), Thailand (8+2), Turkmenistan (8+1), Vietnam (7+2). The first number in parentheses denotes the number of the competitors while the second number denotes the number of the leaders.

In addition, Japan was represented by three observers.

2. Results of marking the papers by the Organizers were presented:

The best score was 43.3 points achieved by **Yun Yang** from China (Absolute winner of the 8<sup>th</sup> APhO). The second best score (43.2 points) was achieved by **Muhammad Firmansyah** from Indonesia. The third best score (43.1 points) was achieved by **Han Yu Zhu** from China. The following criteria for awarding the medals and honorable mentions were established according to the Statutes:

Gold Medal - 38
Silver Medal - 33
Bronze Medal - 28
Honorable Mention - 21

According to the above criteria 13 Gold Medals, 10 Silver Medals, 13 Bronze Medals and 25 Honorable Mentions were awarded.

The results of the 8<sup>th</sup> APhO have been distributed to all the delegations.

3. In addition to the regular prizes, the following special prizes were awarded:

• for the Absolute Winner

Yun Yang China

• for the best score in the theoretical part of the competition

Han Yu Zhu Chin

• for the best score in the experimental part of the competition

Chang-Chi Wu Chinese Taipei

• for the best score among the female participants

**Kathryn Zealand** Australia

• for the best new comer (President's Prize)

**Buddhi Wijerathna** Sri Lanka

• for the First Time of Entering APhO (for Teams):

Brunei

**Hong Kong** 

Macau

Nepal

Sri Lanka

4. President and Secretary of the APhOs presented the provisional list of hosting the future competitions:

2008 Mongolia	invitations made
2009 Thailand	confirmed
2010 Taiwan	confirmed
2011 Israel	confirmed
2012 Cambodia	preliminary contact

- 5. The International Board discussed the proposal made by the Honorary President of the APhOs, Dr. Gorzkowski, suggesting the change of the item #5 of the APhO Statutes which referred to inviting President, Secretary, Honorary President, and Honorary Members to each Asian Physics Olympiad at cost (including travel expenses) of the organizing country. The proposal was not accepted: 23 votes in favor, while the necessary minimum (qualified 2/3-majority of votes) was 28.
- 6. President of the APhOs, acting on behalf of all the participants, expressed deep thanks to China Association for Science and Technology, Shanghai Municipal Government, Professor **Zuimin Jiang** and his collaborators for excellent preparing and executing of the 8<sup>th</sup> Asian Physics Olympiad. Deep thanks were also conveyed to Ministry of Education of China, National Natural Science Foundation of China, Shanghai Association for Science and Technology, Fudan University, Chinese Physical Society, and Shanghai Physics Society.
- 7. Acting on behalf of the Organizers of the next Asian Physics Olympiad, President of National University of Mongolia, Professor Tserensodnom Gantsog, announced that the 9<sup>th</sup> APhO would be held in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia on April 20 28, 2008 and cordially invited all of the participating countries to attend the competition.

Shanghai, China, April 28, 2007

Prof. Yohanes Surya President of the APhOs

Prof. Ming-Juey Lin Secretary of the APhOs

Prof. Zuimin Jiang Executive Chairman Organizing Committee of the 8<sup>th</sup> APhO

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