



## **SINGAPORE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION**

### **UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF 2025 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)**

**HELD ON 27 APRIL 2025 (SUNDAY) 12 PM AT FUNCTION ROOM,  
166 BUKIT MERAH CENTRAL, #04-3531, SINGAPORE 150166  
AND VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE (ZOOM)**

At 12 pm, 26 members had signed in (8 in-person and 18 online). The meeting was postponed for half an hour in accordance with Article XI, Section 3.

At 12.30 pm, with 41 members (15 in-person and 26 online) signed in, Clin Asst Prof Benny Loo Kai Guo (B Loo), SMA Honorary Secretary, called the meeting to order.

#### **1. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS**

- 1.1. SMA President Dr Ng Chee Kwan (Ng CK) highlighted that SMA membership had reached a landmark number of 10,000 members, which was about 45% of all registered medical doctors in Singapore. He thanked all members for their support.
- 1.2. SMA will continue to support members on issues that matter, including Mandatory Medical Ethics (MME) Continuing Medical Education (CME), health insurance, cybersecurity/IT, and junior doctor welfare.
- 1.3. Dr Ng thanked fellow SMA Council members for their dedication, hard work, and invaluable guidance. He also thanked the SMA Secretariat for working behind the scenes, including the daily running of activities and supporting the SMA Council.

#### **2. GROUND RULES**

- 2.1. Clin Asst Prof B Loo highlighted the Ground Rules and requested that members attending via videoconference use the Chat function in Zoom to post questions or comments, and to keep their microphone muted, unless they were speaking. He also sought all members' cooperation to identify themselves by name for the recording of the proceedings.

#### **3. CONFIRMATION OF 2024 AGM MINUTES**

- 3.1. The 2024 minutes were taken as adopted in accordance with Article XI, Section 4. No request was received for amendments and there were no matters arising from the 2024 AGM minutes.

#### **4. REVIEW OF ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SMA COUNCIL 2024/2025**

- 4.1. Clin Asst Prof B Loo referred members to the SMA Annual Report 2024/2025. The Annual Report was circulated to members via email, prior to the AGM. A QR code was also included during the AGM presentation, for members present to access the Annual Report easily.
- 4.2. The SMA Annual Report 2024/2025 was adopted as proposed by Dr Ivan Low and seconded by A/Prof Anantham Devanand.

## 5. MEMBERS WHO PASSED AWAY SINCE 2024 AGM

5.1. A minute of silence was observed for SMA Members who had passed away since the 2024 AGM.

## 6. AUDITED STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

6.1. Adj A/Prof Ng Chew Lip (Ng CL), SMA Honorary Treasurer, presented the accounts for the SMA Group. He reported that the SMA Group closed 2024 with a surplus of \$744,871 (before tax).

6.2. Adj Prof Tan Sze Wee (Tan SW), SMAPL Chairperson, presented the accounts for SMA Pte Ltd (SMAPL). For 2024, SMAPL investment account achieved a net income of \$240,914 (after tax), with most of the reserves placed in fixed deposits and treasury bills

6.3. Adj Prof Tan SW added that SMAPL was also looking into investing in real estate. SMAPL would continue to monitor the economic situation which remained volatile.

6.4. The audited SMA and SMAPL financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 were adopted as proposed by Dr Wong Chiang Yin and seconded by Dr Michael Lim.

## 7. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SMA CONSTITUTION

7.1. As the AGM attendance was below the required quorum of 50, the item on a proposed amendment to the SMA Constitution could not be considered. The proposal was to remove the following paragraph:

Article V – Subscriptions

“iv. An Ordinary member joining the Association during the second half of the Financial Year shall pay only half the annual subscription in respect of that year.”

7.2. The removal of the half-year subscription was for the purpose of streamlining the membership administration process. The item would be raised again at the next AGM.

## 8. ELECTION OF SMA HONORARY MEMBERS

8.1. In accordance with Article IV, Section iv of the SMA Constitution, the meeting considered the proposal of the SMA Council to elect Prof Ho Lai Yun and Prof Tay Boon Keng as SMA Honorary Members.

8.2. Brief curriculum vitae of both nominees were presented to members.

8.3. Members present affirmed the Council's proposal.

## 9. ELECTION OF 66<sup>TH</sup> SMA COUNCIL

9.1. The list of Council Members in the 65<sup>th</sup> SMA Council was presented.

9.2. The names of the 9 Council Members who would be serving their second year on the Council were announced, as follows:

A/Prof Anantham Devanand	Adj Asst Prof Lambert Low Tchern Kuang
Dr Chie Zhi Ying	Adj A/Prof Ng Chew Lip
Dr Daniel Lee Hsien Chieh	Adj Prof Tan Sze Wee
Clin Asst Prof Benny Loo Kai Guo	Dr Tina Tan Zhenwen
Dr Ivan Low Jinrong	

9.3. By the stipulated deadline, 11 nominations were received for the 11 vacancies. The 11 nominees were therefore elected to the 66<sup>th</sup> SMA Council, as follows:

Dr Tammy Chan Teng Mui	Adj Asst Prof Raj Kumar Menon
Dr Lee Pheng Soon	Dr Tan Yia Swam
Dr Lee Yee Mun	Dr Calvin Tjio Kai En
Clin Asst Prof Lim Kheng Choon	Dr Toh Choon Lai
Dr Michael Lim Khong Jin	Dr Wong Chiang Yin
Dr Ng Chee Kwan	

9.4. The 20 members of the 66<sup>th</sup> SMA Council were announced:

A/Prof Anantham Devanand	Adj Asst Prof Lambert Low Tchern Kuang
Dr Tammy Chan Teng Mui	Dr Ng Chee Kwan
Dr Chie Zhi Ying	Adj A/Prof Ng Chew Lip
Dr Daniel Lee Hsien Chieh	Adj Asst Prof Raj Kumar Menon
Dr Lee Pheng Soon	Adj Prof Tan Sze Wee
Dr Lee Yee Mun	Dr Tan Yia Swam
Clin Asst Prof Lim Kheng Choon	Dr Tina Tan Zhenwen
Dr Michael Lim Khong Jin	Dr Calvin Tjio Kai En
Clin Asst Prof Benny Loo Kai Guo	Dr Toh Choon Lai
Dr Ivan Low Jinrong	Dr Wong Chiang Yin

## 10. ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS FOR YEAR 2025/2026

10.1. Clin Asst Prof B Loo conducted the election for Office Bearers. One nomination was received for each of the posts of President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Assistant Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Assistant Treasurer.

10.2. The following were elected Office Bearers of the 66<sup>th</sup> SMA Council:

OFFICE	NOMINEE	PROPOSER	SECONDER
<b>President</b>	Dr Ng Chee Kwan	Dr Chie Zhi Ying	Dr Lee Yee Mun
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice President</b>	Dr Daniel Lee Hsien Chieh	Dr Ng Chee Kwan	Clin Asst Prof Lim Kheng Choon
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President</b>	Clin Asst Prof Lim Kheng Choon	Dr Ng Chee Kwan	Dr Daniel Lee Hsien Chieh
<b>Honorary Secretary</b>	Clin Asst Prof Benny Loo Kai Guo	Dr Ng Chee Kwan	Clin Asst Prof Lim Kheng Choon
<b>Honorary Assistant Secretary</b>	Dr Tina Tan Zhenwen	Dr Ng Chee Kwan	Adj A/Prof Ng Chew Lip
<b>Honorary Treasurer</b>	Dr Chie Zhi Ying	Dr Ng Chee Kwan	Adj A/Prof Ng Chew Lip
<b>Honorary Assistant Treasurer</b>	Adj Asst Prof Raj Menon	Dr Ng Chee Kwan	Dr Toh Choon Lai

## 11. SMA CHARITY FUND (SMACF)

11.1. Dr Chong Yeh Woei, Chairperson of the SMA Charity Fund (SMACF) presented his report. The current reserves has grown to about \$1.6 million, partly due to contributions from the Tote Board matching grant. However, the current 100% matching grant will be reduced to 50% in FY 2026 and 20% in FY 2027.

11.2. For 2025, SMACF will produce a corporate video, and focus on making full use of the Tote Board matching grant to grow its reserves.

11.3. Dr Chong said that SMACF has had good experience setting up named legacy donations and would work on growing this area.

## **12. APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES FOR SMA PTE LTD**

12.1. Members present approved unanimously the appointment of the following as Trustees to SMA Pte Ltd, for a 5-year term from 2025 to 2030:

- Adj Prof Chin Jing Jih
- Dr Chew Suok Kai
- Adj Prof Thirumoorthy Thamothersampillai

## **13. APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AUDITORS**

13.1. Members present approved the appointment of Kreston David Yeung PAC as Professional Auditors for the ensuing year.

13.2. It was noted that the audit partner was changed every 5 years but there was no requirement to change the audit firm.

13.3. Adj Prof Tan SW suggested to review changing the audit firm for good corporate governance, especially for SMA Charity Fund.

There being no other matters, Clin Asst Prof B Loo declared the AGM closed at 1.08pm.

### **CLIN ASST PROF BENNY LOO KAI GUO**

Honorary Secretary

Singapore Medical Association