

*Minutes of
The 2/2011 Joint Meeting of Council and Associates of
Thailand Business Council for Sustainable Development (TBCSD)*

Date: April 26, 2011 **Time:** 16.30 – 17.30 hrs

Venue: President Room, InterContinental Bangkok Hotel

The meeting began at 16.40 hrs.

I. Chairman's Remarks

Dr. Anusorn Sangnimnuan, (Acting) Chairman of Thailand Business Council for Sustainable Development (TBCSD) could not join the meeting and has assigned Mr. Veera Akaraputhiporn to chair the meeting in his place.

II. Business Session

2.1 Adoption of the agenda

Dr. Qwanruedee Chotichanathawewong provided the overview of agenda and all members approved it.

2.2 Approval of the minutes of the 1/2011 Joint Meeting of Council and Associates of TBCSD

Dr. Qwanruedee asked for the approval of the Minutes of the 1/2011 Joint Meeting of Council and Associates of TBCSD

Resolution: All members acknowledged and approved the Minutes of the 1/2011 Joint Meeting of Council and Associates of TBCSD.

III. Issues for Consideration

3.1 New TBCSD Chairman Nomination

Mr. Pramote Inswarng, Chairman of the TBCSD President Selection Committee informed the meeting that Dr. Anusorn's term as Chairman of this committee has ended and he has resigned since February 8, 2011. The new TBCSD President Selection Committee was then formed, consisting of the following persons:

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| 1. Mr. Pramote | Inswarng | Chairman |
| 2. Mr. Narong | Boonyasaquan | Member |
| 3. Mr. Veera | Akaraputhiporn | Member |
| 4. Dr. Songkiert | Tansamrit | Member |

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| 5. Mr. Wattana Opanonamata | Member |
| 6. Dr. Qwanruedee Chotichanathawewong | Member and Secretary |

Mr. Pramote informed the meeting of the criteria and expected qualifications of the potential TBCSD president as follows:

1. Should be successful leader in business or state enterprise, well-recognized by his/her professional community
2. Good knowledge and extensive experience in environmental and sustainable development
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4. Posses strong leadership with proactive and action-oriented attitudes
5. Excellent communication skills
6. Not in political position and not a member of any political party
7. To maintain the high reputation of TBCSD in Thai society
8. To expand members covering various business sectors
9. To be able to use leadership abilities leading TBCSD to work for the benefits of the society

The TBCSD President Selection Committee met on April 7, 2011 to discuss and selected the new TBCSD President, based on the criteria and qualifications mentioned above. Mr. Prasert Bunsumpun, Managing Director and Secretary of the Board of Director of the PTT Public Company Limited was selected. The Committee met with and invited Mr. Prasert to serve as President of TBCSD on April 22, 2011. Mr. Pramote then briefly presented Mr. Prasert's biography and his recognitions.

Mr. Veera sought for agreement by the meeting to assign Mr. Prasert as the new TBCSD President as soon as the meeting concurs.

Resolution: the meeting agreed with the final selection of the new TBCSD President and proposed that the term for each TBCSD President should be for four years.

3.2 Progress of Activities/ Projects

3.2.1 Policy Development in Thailand

(1) Samui Green Island

Dr. Qwanruedee reported on the progress of the projects as follow:

- Education: the project advocated for inclusion of energy and environment into the school curriculum of 26 schools located on Koh Samui.

- CDM: the Japanese Government decided to fund the study on carbon, waste management, and energy saving in government agencies and the private sector.

- Energy Saving: the study on energy efficient bulbs and solar cell received exceptional cooperation by the Electricity Generating Authority of Thailand (EGAT)

- Water security by building check dam: water management and construction of check dams.

- Wastes management: received cooperation from Mr. Prapon Nilvacharamani, a member of the parliament of Surat Thani Province and an advisor of TBCSD in advocating for the elimination of plastic bags on the island and promoting the use of bags made from other fabric.

(2) Health and Global Warming

To create awareness on the importance of good health amidst global warming, a concern on “Help for Health” was organized on May 22, 2011 at Thammasart University.

(3) Green SIEP

Sustainability planting promotes planting and plant maintenance – a total of 12 trees have been planted totaling 1.2 million baht. A website for this project is being developed.

(4) TBCSD Manifesto for Energy Efficiency in Building – based on WBCSD’s concept of promoting energy efficient in buildings has requested volunteering buildings to report on how much energy they were able to reduce in the annual report.

Resolution: There was no question from the members. All members acknowledged the progress reports.

3.2.2 Capacity Building with Regards to Business Competitiveness and Good Practices

Dr. Qwanruedee reported on the seminars held in the past four months, including the implementation of the “TBSCD Carbon Neutral Trip – Revitalizing the Thai Sea, Safeguarding the Coastal Ecosystem” organized on May 6-7, 2011 in Krabi. The purpose of the trip was to educate members on coastal resources and to launch the Koh Klang : Carbon Capture and storage project that will plant and restore approximately 3,000 rai of mangrove forest in Koh Klang. These forests will serve as the island’s carbon storage site.

Resolution: There was no question from the members. All members acknowledged the progress reports.

3.2.3 Raising Public Awareness of Culture and Environmental Issues

(1) Putting together and publishing a book on “Building Small Effects ... for Greater Impact by the Thailand Business Council for Sustainable Development”.

(2) Eco-School Award 2nd season: an award was presented during the 2011 Annual Seminar (Gala Dinner).

(3) The Youth Writer for Business Environment 5th season: awards were presented during the 2011 Annual Seminar (Gala Dinner)

Next year an Eco-friendly competition will be organized for youth and villagers. The program is being publicized.

Resolution: There was no question from the members. All members acknowledged the progress reports.

3.2.4 Reaching out to the Public and Creating Wider Network

On charity, TBCSD supported the “Teach in Japan” activities implemented by Thai youth who are currently residing in Japan under an umbrella project entitled “Knowledge Sharing...Between Brothers and Sisters” program. The program aims to educate and share knowledge between scientists and Kanchanaburi secondary school students.

Resolution: There was no question from the members. All members acknowledged the progress reports.

3.3 Progress of Special Projects

3.3.1 Low Carbon Society

A seminar on “Reduction of Sugarcane Field Burning” was organized on April 26, 2011 to disseminate ideas on reducing sugarcane field burning for the governors from twenty provinces. One hundred guidance books on “Reduction of Sugarcane Field Burning” was disseminate to each province.

Resolution: There was no question from the members. All members acknowledged the progress reports.

3.3.2 Natural Disaster Project

The program is currently being developed in collaboration with the Department of Mineral Resources in building a detention area, changing the water flow to reduce soil erosion in Nan Province.

Resolution: There was no question from the members. All members acknowledged the progress reports.

3.3.3 Water Security Project

(1) Clean Water for Drought Villages Program

The program collaborated with the Ground Water Department in locating ground water for the production of tap water for selected drought-prone areas in the northeast. The program selected Baan Tung-sawang Samakki (Moo 12, Tambon Baan Kuang, Amphur Chiang Qwan, Roi-Et Province) as the first pilot site. Currently program staff are discussing and coordinating with the communities and local agencies on program implementation.

(2) Check Dam Construction Program

The program collaborated with The Siam Cement Public Company Limited to construct dams in Amphur Jae-Hom, Lampang Province to hold water and increase moistness for the communities.

Mr. Numpol Limprasert additionally proposed that local materials should be used for the construction and that the program should avoid using cement. This will incite the villagers to take ownership and benefit from the electricity generated, including creating

bonds within the communities. Today, there are over 30,000 villagers who support this program. The meeting proposed a study trip to the dams for TBCSD members only (since this will allow for more flexibility in terms of timing).


Resolution: There was no question from the members. All members acknowledged the progress reports.


IV. Other Matters

Mr. Thatree Riwjarean, a representative from the Electricity Generating Authority of Thailand (EGAT) reported on the program to construct small 100-kilowatt power plants at Baan Klong Rua, Amphur Tohe, Chumporn Province. He mentioned that this community will serve as an example for other communities and for government agencies to study sustainable energy. He also proposed that constructing small power plants in secluded areas will not lead to forest encroachment and the Department of Forestry will have less of a problem.


The meeting was adjourned at 17.30 hrs.

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| 11. | Mr. Robin Stephen Wilson | InterfaceFLOR (Thailand) Company Limited |
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| 14. | Mr. Nattawut Trachoo | Siam City Cement Public Company Limited |
| 15. | Mr. Thatree Riwjarean | Electricity Generating Authority of Thailand |
| 16. | Ms. Walailux Sangtaksin | Electricity Generating Authority of Thailand |
| 17. | Mr. Sutathip Premyodin | Dow Chemical Thailand Limited |
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| 19. | Mr. Presert Salinla-umpai | PTT Public Company Limited |
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