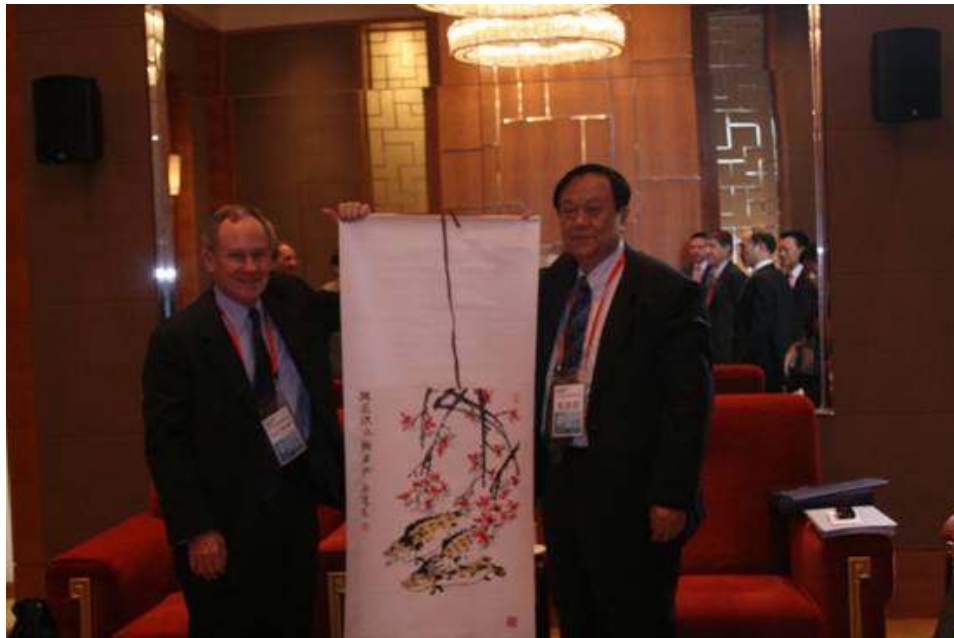




CUA2009: CUA-AUA Executives Meeting

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The CUA-AUA Executives Meeting was held at 14:00 p.m., September 18, Chengdu Century City International Convention & Exhibition Center during the CUA2009 Annual Meeting. Prof. Na Yanqun, CUA President, Prof. Ye Zhangqun, CUA President-elect, Prof. Sun Zeyu, Prof. Sun Guang, Prof. Sun Yinghao, Prof. Wang Jianye, CUA Vice Presidents, Prof. Xie Liping, CUA Adjunct Secretary General, Prof. Xu Kexin, CUA Executive Secretary, Ms. Ren Yang, Executive Director of CSU and Prof. Anton J. Bueschen, AUA President, Mr. Peter J. Plourd, AUA Associate Executive Director of Information and Communications, Mrs. Lori Agbonkhese, AUA Executive Coordinator and Dr. Min Zhang, AUA-CUA Liaison attended the meeting.



Prof. Na first introduced all the CUA executives who attended the meeting. Then he showed the CUA News: CUA-AUA Collaborations to the AUA representatives. This special issue of CUA News offered detailed reports on events of the CUA-AUA collaborations. Prof. Na said the communication in urology between China and America actually started from over 100 years

ago. Many American colleges and universities have had collaborations with China. The official relationship between the CUA and AUA began in 2005, when Prof. Corriere, AUA President (2005-2006) visited the CUA in China. Prof. Na and Mrs. Lori Agbonkhese, AUA Executive Coordinator began email contacts in 2007. From then on the CUA and AUA began close communication.

Prof. Bueschen said it's a pity that Prof. Robert C. Flanigan, AUA Secretary was unable to attend the CUA2009 for his illness and he would complete Prof. Flanigan's presentations at the annual meeting. Prof. Bueschen said the AUA has had many communications and collaborations with the CUA in recent years.

Prof. Na reviewed collaborations between the CUA and AUA: 1. CUA-AUA Executives Meeting. Three CUA-AUA Executives Meetings have been held from AUA Chicago Meeting, Orlando Meeting to CUA Kunming Meeting. 2. CUA-AUA Liaison. The CUA-AUA Liaison, the only official communication channel between the CUA and AUA, has played an important role in bilateral contacts and collaborations. 3. Attend mutual annual meetings and set booths at the meetings. 4. Education Programs. 10 Chinese residents attended the CUA-AUA Resident Education Program at the AUA2009 Annual Meeting. 2 young Chinese urologists took part in the CUA-AUA Academic Exchange Fellowship Program. Next year Prof. Ye Zhangqun's and Prof. Sun Yinghao's hospitals will receive 2 urologists from the AUA. Prof. Bueschen was pleased with this year's collaborations and the programs.

Prof. Na proposed to organize Chinese specialists education in collaboration with the AUA and was interested in the AUA's textbooks and exams. Prof. Bueschen said the AUA would like to share their examination questions with the CUA. Now the AUA is trying to build a website of core curriculum. And they could have more collaborations with CUA when the website is completed.

Prof. Na hoped to establish a CUA-AUA Residents Training Base in China with AUA and use AUA's textbooks. Prof. Bueschen said the AUA would like to cooperate with the CUA in this aspect. The further details will be discussed in the future.

Prof. Na said the CUA2010 Annual Meeting will be held in Xi'an, an ancient charming city. He wished the AUA could hold a meeting with credits so that more American urologists would be attracted to attend the meeting. Prof. Bueschen said due to tax regulations in America, it's

feasible if the meeting is co-organized by the CUA and AUA or held by the CUA. Prof. Bueschen also suggested that faculty members from the AUA could come to China and share highlights of the AUA annual meeting with Chinese urologists at the CUA annual meeting. The issue will be further discussed through CUA-AUA Liaison.

They also had discussions on publishing the Chinese version of The Journal of Urology.

Both sides believed that Dr. Min Zhang is experienced and competent as CUA-AUA Liaison and he will continue serve as CUA-AUA Liaison for another 2 years.

Prof. Na invited Prof. Bueschen to visit the Wu Jieping Urological Center this October in Beijing and hoped the AUA representative would visit when the center was open next year. Prof. Bueschen said the AUA was satisfied with collaborations with the CUA and would like to expand further collaborations.

Prof. Na on behalf of the CUA sent AUA a traditional Chinese painting “peach blossom and mandarin fish”, expressing the best wishes for AUA’s prosperity.

