



Asia Pacific Career Development Association

APCDA Officers Meeting

March 19/20, 2024

- **President’s Message (Serene)**
 - Please see written on website for March
 - Conflict-zone scholars
 - New Conference Proceedings – easy to read

- **Treasurer’s Report (see attached)**
 - There are no surprises. Income from the conference is looking good and compensating for expenses.
 - Careful in spending, so this year is going well.
 - We will not see another financial report until May (after conference)

- **Member Engagement Project (Serene)**
 - Nearly completed – share at conference
 - Need to schedule presentation at conference

- **Career Practitioners in War/Conflict Zones Scholarship Report (Sini)**
 - 15 Responses (2 not from conflict zones)
 - 11 accepted
 - 3 Palestine
 - 6 Ukraine
 - 1 Yemen
 - 1 Lebanon
 - Will screen the late applicants from the Arab CDA
 - Very meaningful connection – intend to continue the connection and understand their needs
 - High level of engagement and high quality
 - Scheduled session at conference – recipients eager to share their experiences
 - Cannot predict the next hour – may need to shelter at any time at any time

- **Discussion: 2025 Conference – Zhengzhou or Shanghai?**
 - An invitation from the faculty of a University is very special
 - Fewer International guests may be attracted due to the location
 - Will it attract Chinese? Will people from Beijing and Shanghai travel to Zhengzhou?
 - Could be a lot of student participants
 - Concern about having enough Chinese attendees
 - Need to select a theme for the conference that embraces the future and includes technology.
 - Need local speakers about the future direction of the Party

- **2024 Conference Progress**

Conference Registration (March 18)

	Guest/Staff	Scholar	Paid Local	Paid International	Totals
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In-Person	22	1	11	15	49
Virtual	14	29	3	150	196
Totals	36	30	14	165	245

- Scholarship Applications
 - 26 received, 21 accepted
 - 8 Student Presenters
 - 11 accepted from Conflict group
- Awards
 - 6 Awards, Added Career Counseling Advocacy Award
 - Marilyn expressed concern that we were awarding a staff person for the second year in a row. Officers discussed this and agreed that, for our 3 customary awards which are selected from outside nominations, in the future we should have a rule that no staff and no board members can apply. We need to develop guidelines for award nominations to prevent conflicts of interest and ensure transparency.
 - Some of our leaders deserve these awards
- Tours (\$25 each)
 - Space Museum and Space University Tour
 - Weaver's Village Tour
- In-person – Ginger Hotel registration form, how to get to hotel, trusted providers
- <https://whova.com/web/iMPCspPBhrGjGkfkfjzZGkfsI-uV%40MJ3CKlo3cZd6Mo%3D/>
- Marilyn will find and resend the in-person registration email to ensure it reaches all recipients.
- Serene offered to use AI to generate a video to promote the conference.