

Activities of the Alliance for Healthy Cities, Japan Chapter (April, 2017 to March, 2018)

1. The 13th General Assembly and Conference for the AFHC, Japan Chapter

(1) General Assembly for the AFHC, Japan Chapter

Date: Tuesday, 4 July, 2017 (10:00am~11:50am)

Venue: Okhotsk Culture and Communication Center in Abashiri City, Hokkaido

The 13th General Assembly and Conference for the AFHC, Japan Chapter were held in Abashiri City, Hokkaido. Attended by twenty six member municipalities and four cooperating organizations, the assembly conducted deliberations and unanimously approved the report on annual activities, the settlement of account in fiscal 2016, and the business plan and budget plan for fiscal 2017.

Aisai City, Aichi Prefecture was welcomed as a newly joined member of Japan Chapter.

At the assembly election, Mayor of Abashiri City, Hokkaido was elected as the Chair, Mayor of Wakuya Town, Miyagi Prefecture and Mayor of Yawatahama City, Ehime Prefecture were elected as the Vice Chairs. Mayor of Nishitokyo City was chosen as the Comptroller.

The assembly agreed that the next General Assembly and Conference to be held in Matsudo City, Chiba Prefecture.

Following the deliberations, Secretariat of the AFHC, the NGO Healthy City Support Organization and Owariasahi City, Aichi Prefecture gave presentations on their activity reports respectively.



【The 13th General Assembly, AFHC Japan Chapter】

(2) Conference for the AFHC, Japan Chapter

<Day 1>

Date: Tuesday, 4 July, 2017 (1:00pm~4:30pm)

Venue: Okhotsk Culture and Communication Center, Abashiri City,
Hokkaido

At the opening of the first day of the two-day conference, the speech was delivered by Mr. Yoichi Mizutani, Mayor of Abashiri City, the newly elected Chair of AFHC Japan Chapter, and also the host city of this conference, followed by speeches of distinguished guests.

Keynote speech on the theme of “Health and Barrier Free Mind” were delivered by Mr. Hiroshi Imamura, Managing Director of Nippon Sport Science University.

Mr. Shigetoshi Nagasawa, Executive Director of Hakubaku Ltd., the special supporting company, gave presentation on the theme of “The Power of Barley. Making healthy future!”

Mr. Tomonobu Sakurai, professor of Sport Science Institution, Toin University of Yokohama and Health Promotion Department of Abashiri City reported their activities on their health promotion respectively. Followed by music performance of the brass band of Abashiri Primary School, then the original physical health exercise “Kani Chokkin Exercise” with music produced by Abashiri City was performed.

The first day was closed with the remarks by Mr. Kenji Hongoya, Mayor of Matsudo City, Chiba Prefecture, who will host the General Assmebly and the Conference in 2018.



【Keynote Speech】



【Performance by the brass band of Abashiri Primary School】

< Day 2 >

Date: Wednesday, 5 July, 2017 (10:00am~noon)

Venue: Okhotsk Culture and Communication Center in Abashiri City,
Hokkaido

Before conference, the second day started with visit at Yobito Sports training Field and Educational Foundation of Nippon Sport Science University Group.

At the conference, Ms. Keiko Nakamura, the chair of the secretariat of AFHC gave the speech on the theme of “Healthy City Community Activities, those lead Sustainable Development. “

Matsudo City, Chiba Prefecture and Nagakute City, Aichi Prefecture reported their Activities.

Registrar and Insurance Department, Care and Welfare Department, of Abashiri City gave presentations on their effort. And closed the second day of the conference.



【Speech by Ms. Keiko Nakamura】

【Presentation by AFHC member city】

During two days of the conference, exhibition booth areas were set up, numbers of visitors including administrative visitors, citizens' groups, and general participants have deepened their knowledge about health by attending and experiencing this conference.

Counting the attendance of the General Assembly, Conference, and exhibition booth, the total attendance reached 850 people in two days including general participants. This two-day meeting was a lively social event among member municipalities, cooperating organizations of AFHC, and also citizens' groups.

2. Major efforts by Secretariat of the AFHC, Japan Chapter, 2017

Period	Description
September, 2017	Established internal rules of the AFHC, Japan Chapter.

3. Major efforts by the AFHC, Japan Chapter, Working Committee

(1) Membership Recruitment Committee

<Head Municipality of the Committee: Satsuma City, Kagoshima Prefecture>

Period	Description
August, 2017~	Introduced activities of AFHC Japan Chapter and invited Cities, organizations and private companies that made inquiries.

(2) Public Relations Committee

<Head Municipality of the Committee: Myoko City, Niigata Prefecture>

Period	Description
November, 2017	Created a page of “The 13 th General Assembly and Conference of AFHC, Japan Chapter” on the website.