

## IT Comm BoD Report Mar. 2025

Reported by the IT Committee Chair: Yuusuke Wada

No MOTION, No RESOLUTION, No ACTION

- 1 IT Committee suggested that FCCJ to hire a digital contents manager to interact with outside and inside the Club of managing and monetizing all digital contents we have, including SNS.
  - 1.1 We took the liberty of searching for a candidate and found Mr. Mike Kato and submitted his credentials to the President and GM.
  - 1.2 We know FCCJ is very reluctant in hiring due to budget constraints, but we strongly advised one so that the Club can monetize with the assets it owns, including "net only" members tier.
  - 1.3 We were planning on suggesting a budget to set aside for the next fiscal year with this report but have decided not to.
- 2 In January, we suggested in having Prof. Yoshihiro Taguchi of Chuoh U on AI to have a PAC conference and submitted a proposal.
  - 2.1 Unfortunately, the baton was handed to another candidate (Prof. Yutaka Matsuo of Tokyo U.) PAC Mar. 5th event.
  - 2.2 Wada is planning on meeting Prof. Taguchi at the Club in the evening of Mar. 4th.
    - 2.2.1 Prof. Taguchi has received awards for 4 consecutive years from Stanford U. as the top 2% of influential researchers in the world with his pioneering research.
  - 2.3 If nothing can be done, we were thinking of having an IT Committee event during this month, if venue allows.
- 3 "FCCJ" SSID to open WiFi to secure WiFi
  - 3.1 We need everyone to use the secure WiFi SSID for security.
  - 3.2 The press club should not have an open WiFi for anyone to use.
  - 3.3 WiFi password can be posted at the front desk, bar, and conference rooms.
- 4 Podcast account has not been established yet.
  - 4.1 Voice only podcast representing IT Committee and NOT the Club, reporting FCCJ IT related events.
- 5 Committee Chairman Yuusuke Wada will be resigning from FCCJ at the end of this Month due to personal reasons (nothing to do with the Club).
  - 5.1 This report will be the last report from me.
  - 5.2 The successor of the Committee will be Ms. Hinza Asif, the acting co-chair and shall be report starting in April.
  - 5.3 She will coordinate with Mr. Dave McCombs (currently acting as the board liaison) and Staff Mr. Nakajima.

Thank you very much for the past 20 years I have been associated with the Club.