

Kiyokawa 00:36

I would like to begin the 2024 General Meeting of the Nara Institute of Science and Technology University Alumni Association. My name is Kiyokawa, and I am the president. I look forward to working with you. Thank you very much for your kind attention.

Well, I think you have the materials in your hand. It is a rather thick document stapled in the upper left corner, and I will proceed according to the agenda. First of all, there is a summary of the agenda of the last general meeting and the second item on the agenda. Please let me know if there is anything you notice before the end of the meeting.

I would like to report on the four items for discussion in turn. First of all, regarding the settlement of accounts, Mr. Kobayashi, Vice President in charge of accounting, was originally in charge, but since he is not here today, Mr. Okamura, Director of the Board, will make a report.

Okamura 01:33

Yes, I, Okamura, will report on behalf of Kobayashi. Please refer to the income and expenditure report for the last fiscal year, Document 2. The income is for six new members and 261 new members from the postal savings account at Nanto Bank. The total new income is 120,009 yen and 5,220,000 yen respectively. The total of new income is 120,009 yen and 5,220,000 yen respectively, plus 19,270,655 yen in carry-over from both banks. The total for all of the above is 24,610,660 yen. As for the expenditures, I won't go through them one by one, but the main expenditure is 323,400 yen for the use of the PAL sign for the list of names, subsidies for meetings, and also the monthly fee for zooming. And? Another major expense is 577,500 yen for the creation of the degree folder, and there are also various bank transfer fees, etc. The total expenditure is 1,281,596 yen. The total amount of expenditures was 1,281,596 yen, and the final remaining amount is 23,329,068 yen. That is all. Yes, that's all.

Kiyokawa 03:27

Thank you. Do you have any questions about the accounting audit first of all? Is that okay? You are also welcome to interrupt me at any time, even later.

Let's see, then. The third item on the agenda is the third item. I, Kiyokawa, would like to explain about the activity plan in reference 4. First of all. The activity plan for the next fiscal year 2025 is listed as the first item on the agenda. The concept of this budget plan is to never make a negative figure, and to make sure that the important membership fees are spent properly. In the case of the current fiscal year, we are planning expenditures based on the income of the previous fiscal year of 2023. As for income, as reported earlier, it is estimated to be a little less than 5,340,000 yen.

First of all, the membership management website. The monthly fee for PALSIGN is roughly 400,000 yen, although the monthly unit price has increased since this year due to the increase in

the number of users. Yes, and also, yes, web banking by Nanto Bank. There was also a discussion about hiring an office worker as an alumni association, and, well, we haven't been able to make a move yet, but we have left it as an item and, well, as a reminder, we would like to do it someday.

As mentioned earlier, the amount of money is a large amount every year, but we have donated those beautiful binders to the master's and doctoral degree recipients, and there is one marked "Alumni Association Donation". Yes, this one is a little over 700,000 yen. And then there is the event sponsored by the Alumni Association, the Food and Beverage Homecoming Day. Yes, this one is for today as well as next year, and it is set at about 150,000 yen. And the honorarium for lecturers for the alumni association-sponsored event, which is not fully consumed, but we have appropriated 30,000 yen for three lecturers.

And then there is the cost of supporting alumni reunions. We have various alumni associations, such as laboratory and field associations, and we are going to provide financial support for 50 people who spend 2,000 yen each, with a maximum of 100,000 yen. Well, there were quite a few people this year as well, and it seems that there will be more every year, so we have increased one case from last year, and now that Corona is over, we would like to increase the number of cases, so we are planning to increase from 5 cases last year to 7 next year. Yes, and yes, we are planning to increase the number of projects from 5 last year to 7 next year. We are planning to increase the number of small-scale projects (50,000 yen) from 5 last year to 7 next year, and we are also expecting to increase the number of small-scale projects (50,000 yen) from several hundred thousand to about 10 next year.

As for the next one, the Overseas Branch Activity Support Fund, well, there are a number of rules and regulations that have been in place for many years, and we have met these rules and regulations. For now, we have given 50,000 yen to Indonesia only, which you can use as you like.

We have been talking about holding a welcome party for new students in April across all the different fields, in order to increase the sense of belonging to NAIST, but we have not been able to do so yet. We have been talking about having a simultaneous welcome party for new students in April, but we haven't been able to do it yet.

And then there is the donation for the opening of the on-campus nursery school. This is a small booklet that you have in your hand. It is written in the lower right hand corner of the booklet, "Nursery School Project Fund", but it is difficult to tell what kind of nursery school was established just from this. But this is a very old nursery school. The users of this nursery are not actually faculty members but mostly students of NAIST, and the box was prepared by NAIST, but the inside is operated by the private sector, but the maintenance cost of the box, you know, is quite high, which is often the case. As is often the case, the university had no money for such things, so the maintenance cost was about 4 million yen over 40 years. For example, an air conditioner breaks down. For example, an air conditioner breaks down, a wall falls apart, and so on, so we asked the president of the university if he could support us with an average of 100,000 yen per year for maintenance costs. However, due to the nature of the facility, it is not only for the use of alumni. So, there were some opinions that it would be a bit difficult to decide whether we, as an alumni association, would continue to donate a certain amount of money every year or not. So we have decided to make a donation of 100,000 yen to commemorate the opening of the center next

year. We are currently considering the possibility of continuing the discussion every year after next year, while keeping an eye on how the facility is being used.

Yes, and, yeah, that's next. Online conference license ZOOM license, yes. 10,000 yen per spot, yes. And bank transfer fees, etc., etc., etc., etc., etc. We will only spend less than half of the total amount, or about a little more than half of the total amount, leaving a little less than half in reserve.

Well, it's this way, isn't it? The final approval of the budget will not be decided at today's general meeting, but will start later on. We are going to finalize the budget through online deliberation, yes, but at this point in time, do the participants have any comments on the proposed budget?

Takahashi 10:02

Did I mention anywhere the amount of the now final account that is accumulating?

Okamura 10:23

It is at the bottom of Document 2.

Takahashi 10:33

Is there some kind of upper limit on this?

Kiyokawa 10:35

Yeah, it's pretty piled up. Eh, yes. I have a Japan Post. Yucho gets angry when I exceed 10 million yen. I get a postcard every month, but Nanto Bank is probably still OK, maybe there is a limit, but I haven't reached that level.

Akisada 10:58

They just say that they cannot guarantee the portion exceeding 10 million yen.

Kiyokawa 10:59

Well, I guess there will be an apology if I go bankrupt, but yes, you mean you won't be offended if I leave it there. That's all right.

Takahashi 11:07

Are these so-called savings accounts that you are placing, or are they not time deposits or anything like that?

Kiyokawa 11:12

Let's see. Let's see...

Akisada 11:16

Yes, I recognize it as a savings account.

Kiyokawa 11:17

Well, in a basic savings account.

Takahashi 11:20

You can get it out anytime.

Kiyokawa 11:21

I can get it out.

Takahashi 11:22

I don't operate or anything like that.

Kiyokawa 11:25

No, so overall, I don't know what it is. There was a time when we didn't charge a penny because we really didn't provide any service. What the heck was that all about? Compared to that, we are doing almost 2,000,000 3,000,000 activities, but I was wondering what kind of return we can give to the alumni association alumni and current students, and what kind of expenditure we can make so that everyone can be satisfied. I am thinking about how we can give back to the alumni association and the current students, and how we can spend the money in a way that is satisfactory to everyone. Personally, I think it is not good to spend too much money and not to

give back to the community. If you have any suggestions on what we should do, I would be very interested to hear them.

Yes, let me just push it a little bit. Well, it's 11:00, so we have 5 minutes, well, 5 minutes at the end, to have a discussion, so we'll go quickly, and then you can come back whenever you want. I will continue with my explanation. So, this is Document 4, and now we have finally finished the first part of the discussion. The second point is about measures to increase membership. Well, the number of people who have registered on the PalSyne website is still less than 4,000, and that's a small number. Well, there are about 10,000 people registered on the PalSyne website, but the number is still less than half or 40%, and there are people who have registered but have never been contacted again.

And, since the connections in the laboratory are very strong, there are many people who are former professors, including retirees. Well, including those who have retired. We would like you to dig up the list. From there, we would make a top-down offer of membership. We can't force them to join, of course. Of course, we cannot force people to join, so we are developing a strategy of throwing out invitations in the form of a tree. We are testing to see if such a strategy will work in all areas. Well, it worked well, but we haven't received the final report yet, so we need to confirm whether it will work or not, but there is also the problem of manpower, and we would like to do something about that. Yes, that is the second purpose.

So, in the third section, "Proposal of new measures," let's see, from the bottom to the top, the oldest ones are unfulfilled, and the unfulfilled ones are, in particular, the hiring of clerks. Yes, and I don't know if it's mentioned here. Recently, we have been asked what kind of things we would like you to do. I remember that we received quite a few comments that they would like to see the newsletter published on a regular basis, maybe once a year. To do so would require a certain amount of manpower. Well, we have enough money in our budget to hire clerks, so we have been struggling to find a way to do it, and then it would disappear, and then it would go wrong, and so on, and so on. I have been thinking that I would like to do something about it.

Yes, and the top one, the one that has not been accomplished, is that the rules for replacing the board members are not clear. I think this is one of the reasons why we have not been able to change the board members. So, I think we need to set up some kind of rules for the election of the board members and so on. After such an election is held, and the next person is properly elected, Kiyokawa would like to step down with a smile on his face. I would like to do something about it. I don't want to say, "I don't know anything about the rest," as you might expect. And, well, I guess this is about it. If you have more time, I would be happy to discuss this freely. As for the others, we do not have anything special for this year.

Next, I would like to show you the fifth document. In order to carry out the activities of the Alumni Association, we have received the cooperation of many people who have joined the Board of Directors. The president, two vice presidents, and then the board members. The number of board members has not been specified, but we have proposed to increase the number of board members by one more person from each area. I am proposing that we add one more person from each area this year. I am proposing that we have three new members this year, one from each of the three areas. First of all, Mr. Takahashi, since you are here, please introduce yourself.

Takahashi 16:51

My name is Takahashi, I was admitted in 2003 and belonged to the Daimon Laboratory. I am currently with a company called Sumitomo Heavy Industries, and I went to Sumitomo Heavy Industries from Passet, where I am developing medical equipment and semiconductor devices at the Technical Research Institute. I am also a researcher at the Quantum Science Institute of Japan, which is an external research institute, and I am also a volunteer for the Japan Association for the Advancement of Science (JAAS). I look forward to working with you.

Kiyokawa 17:37

Best regards. Thank you very much, yes. You are a person who understands both academia and industry. Yes, he came to the alumni association lecture last year, and we heard many interesting things from him. Yes, thank you very much.

Also, Kenji Fujiwara, are you online for a moment? I should have asked him to join us. Let me read out a bit about you, Mr. Fujiwara, who entered the Master's Course in Information Science in 2010. She is currently a lecturer at Nara Women's University. Yes, a lecturer? Yes, I am. I have received a message from her saying that she would be happy to assist you in any way she can in addition to her regular duties, and that she has been involved with the alumnae association, as she has organized some of its events. So we are very much looking forward to working with you. Yes, do you know Mr. Fujiwara, Ms. Arai? Yes, I do. Various people tend to be clustered together, such as friends, people of the same age group, and acquaintances. I don't mean to make it closed, but I understand that it is the only place where people can talk to each other, and it is difficult to talk to them. I would rather have people of all ages and from all backgrounds. Of course, Mr. Fujiwara has expressed his willingness to be very active, so we would like to welcome him.

Yes, and, uh, Mr. Toriyama, is it? Yes, can you introduce Mr. Toriyama to us?

Okamura 19:29

I think they are not there.

Kiyokawa 19:33

Mr. Toriyama is currently a specially-appointed associate professor at the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences of Osaka University. So, we would like to welcome Mr. Toriyama, who is involved in various activities and knows what he is doing. So, I would like to welcome her to the board. There are not many female board members, so in that sense, we would like to welcome her. So in that sense, we would like to welcome them. First of all, as for the board members, well, let's see. Well, the current board members nominated them, and they were approved by the general meeting, so, I repeat, they will be confirmed in the online discussion. Is that okay? Yes, if there are too many. I think it might be difficult to make it work, but I think it would be smoother if

we have a certain number of people, for example, one-third of the board members take turns. Yes. So there were no objections at this time. Thank you very much.

Yes, that's why. I have to say that the order may have been reversed, but I had put off the report item because I thought it would be better to do it first in case we ran out of time for the deliberation item, but I would like to use Document 6, which is not clearly written in the agenda. I would like to report on the activities of the current fiscal year. The current number of registered members on the PALSIGN membership management website is 3,869 as of November 5. If you look at the number of students over the past few years, there have been some cases where the number of new students has increased more than the number of new students after we made a little announcement, and in the past two years, the number of students has increased by about the same amount as the number of students each year. So, if we could dig a little more actively, the total number of graduates would exceed 11,000, so the actual number would probably be around 8,000 or 9,000, since there is double counting of master's and doctoral students. How many?

Takahashi 21:57

I don't understand that one.

Kiyokawa 21:58

I think it would be about 8,000 or 9,000, which is a little less than half of the total. We are still looking for more people to help us dig up these things, so we are asking for your cooperation. And the second thing is.... In terms of alumni association activities, I give a speech at the degree conferment ceremony, orientation, and at the beginning of each semester.

And, yes, well, the status of payment of membership dues. This is also here. The membership fee payment rate for new students in 2024 was about 59.2%. This is a record high. The figures for the past several years are shown in parentheses, and I think it is a very good trend that the rate has increased every year. If I recall, a few years ago, you wrote that you were aiming for 60%, so, yes, I think that is about the same level. Of course, it is important to receive a higher percentage of customers who pay well, and it is also important to provide a good return service, but 60% is the figure we had originally aimed for, so, yes, we are doing quite well. So, we are doing well. So, well, we hope that you will pay well and understand the alumni association. In other words, the number of people who expect to benefit from this service should be increasing, so we need to do our best.

Yes, I have a report on the Fourth Alumni Assembly, I think it's six, and we are supporting the event party. Yes, considering the scale of the event, we think those 6 events are very small, because only some of them are benefiting from the 20,000 yen membership fee, and the others are just paying it. If you think about it, it pays off up to 10 times, but if you receive 2,000 yen more than 10 or 11 times, it is a minus figure, so it should eventually go bankrupt if it becomes very active. So, we are prepared to lose money, but we are actively supporting the event, and we are still trying to encourage it. Yes, I think there is still some room in the budget for income, etc., as I

mentioned earlier, so I would like to ask you all to support the event with your friends and acquaintances, etc. Well, I think it would be good if you could think about having a party at your former laboratory. There are some conditions, which are written in parentheses, so please look at the square.

And the last one is No. 5. Yes, we have a very active career support center that works closely with the Career Support Department. They hold lectures and social events with alumni and alumnae to support job hunting. Last year, we held four such events, starting from last November 2023. Especially. Yesterday, Mr. Kiyokawa participated, as well as Director Okamura, and as you can see in Exhibit 10, there was an alumni association lecture meeting and a social event. The first part of the event was as follows. The first part of the event was a lecture by six people, three Japanese and three foreign students, who told us what their companies are like and what they do. They told us about their experiences in finding a job, such as, "This is the kind of work I do," "This is the kind of research I did when I was working," "This is what I did to find that job," etc., which were very helpful to everyone. This is something we do every year, and the number of participants has increased from three to six each time. Yes, and the second half. In the second part, we had a poster session in a very spacious training hall with 18 graduates from 15 companies, and we also had a company information session. There was also a large space in the middle of the hall where sushi and other foods were lined up, and, well, there was a very relaxed atmosphere where we exchanged information about what it was like to be job hunting. The place was so crowded and lively that it was almost as if there was a lack of oxygen, and the posters in 15 places were very active, talking with someone for 2 hours. Yes, it was very active. I left about 20 minutes after the end, but yes, I talked to all 15 companies. So, yes, this is the way it was.

Takahashi 26:31

You asked Akalik to manage the project.

Kiyokawa 26:34

I don't understand how Akalik is involved. Do you understand? Yes, I do.

Tsutsui 26:41

We have an agreement with Career Support. We are asking for your assistance in this relationship.

Kiyokawa 26:49

What part of the work is outsourced?



Tsutsui 26:51

I think it is the reception part. Of course, the Career Support Department was in charge of the management of the reception, which was held on the third floor of the library, but the rest of the reception was held yesterday in the training hall. About 20 companies were invited to speak on a panel, and I think Akarik invited us to have the students interact with these companies.

Akarik is a company for doctors, but we also have an agreement with students to help them find employment. The best thing is that we have an agreement with them. For our university, an office was set up at the support organization, so they are especially close to us and we ask them for a lot of help.

Takahashi 27:46

Does Mr. Akalik have that office?

Tsutsui 27:48

Yes, I would like to see a place for the support foundation to rent a place there. We rented a place to that support foundation and there.

Kiyokawa 27:54

I see.

Tsutsui 27:55

So I think the target is our university. First of all, I went to the Tokyo head office to talk to the foundation for support, since it is located near our university. I heard that Hiroshima University is currently working on various projects to establish a similar foundation. We are now greatly indebted to them for their support.

Takahashi 28:21

The companies that participated in this social event had nothing to do with our alumni or anything like that?

Tsutsui 28:25

That's right. We had one of our alumni give a lecture, and we asked Akarik to provide information on the companies participating in the exchange program. I don't know if I indicated that this is the place for career support, but I think Akarik is the one we asked.

Kiyokawa 28:44

I thought it was a very good experiment, yes. Yes, from our point of view, we basically only greeted the guests at the first part of the event and supported the food and beverage expenses at the second part of the event.

Takahashi 29:02

Was this done this November in terms of timing? This one with Mr. Akalik. Oh, is it yesterday?

Kiyokawa 29:12

Ah yes, yesterday. So it seems like it's just right before the job hunting starts. Yes, that's right. I think they are thinking about the time before the job hunting starts in earnest.

Tsutsui 29:19

We had hoped to have the alumni who were present yesterday, but they were not able to come this time because they all have their own schedules.

Kiyokawa 29:30

Yes. That's what I meant. Yes. The last document (7) is the history of the company. It contains information on how the company has gradually developed over the years. So, we have about ten minutes left. I would like you to talk about anything.

Takahashi 29:52

In the second part of reference 4, it says that the alumni association has given permission to contact the alumni, but who is going to contact the alumni? Would it be the university professor or the alumni association?

Kiyokawa 30:16

Oh, you know, uh, a little bit here, yes, the wording may still be in the planning stage before the actual situation, but, uh, uh, the point is, uh, who is allowed to use the roster?

Takahashi 30:26

Yes. Yes.

Kiyokawa 30:28

Yes, and after all, the lab roster that was collected in that lab naturally belongs to the lab, and it is not allowed to be passed off, so it is not for us to use that roster directly to throw an email directly to them. So, as a first step, can we have the lab contact you and have the alumni association contact you directly? Yes. And then we would get the e-mails of only those who answered "Yes. We were thinking of pitching against that list of names or something like that. But in the end, I think we decided that the two-step process would be too much trouble, but I may be misremembering. What we did was to give the invitation directly to the laboratory, and then they could open it and apply for the program by opening the link.

In this way, we were able to dig up a good amount of material. Well, I could see the limits, but I was able to get there in a certain way, yes.

Takahashi 31:32

I understand. No, it's also true that you can't provide a third party, so I was just wondering what you did.

Kiyokawa 31:39

That's what you are saying, isn't it? If we use the e-mail addresses that we have already collected, the alumni association could send an e-mail directly to the students who have not yet joined the alumni association, asking them to join, but since the alumni association is independent from the university, we cannot do that. However, since the alumni association is independent from the university, it is not possible to do so. Some universities have alumni associations that are clearly part of the university organization, and some of them clearly state from the beginning that the list can be used for any purpose and for alumni association purposes. We are a separate organization, so we are trying to be clear about that.

Takahashi 32:23

If you were to get it at a stage where they agree that the alumni association might contact you when you get it at the lab, I think it would be possible to go directly to them. I think that would be possible.

Kiyokawa 32:38

So, um, before, what happened to that? Well, I was wondering if the career support people could use this as an alumni association's, uh, list, uh, information from the alumni association, etc.? We were talking about how we should do this, like an opt-out. What happened?

Tsutsui 33:00

Still intact.

Kiyokawa 33:02

So, this is a proposal. So, just before the students who completed their studies in March, the Career Support Department will send the next e-mail address to the students who have already completed their studies, and at that time, they will be asked to report their e-mail address. I think it would be better if we could get the form that the e-mail address is not removed without clicking the "OK" checkbox on the report form. So I think that is another reasonable strategy.

Takahashi 33:34

I understand. Yes, I understand. So you were considering it,

Kiyokawa 33:49

Yes, yes, yes. No problem. It's quite a complicated list, isn't it?

Takahashi 33:54

I heard that alumni lists are also treated as personal data.

Kiyokawa 34:00

Of course, of course.

Takahashi 34:01

Subject to the Personal Data Protection Law.

Kiyokawa 34:03

Completely yes, yes, this kind of yes, please yes, by all means.

Odajima 34:13

I'm sorry if I just wasn't aware of it, but I was wondering where you got the information about the various events you mentioned at the end of this article. I didn't notice that the address was the same as the one for the Homecoming Day event, so if I had noticed the event yesterday, I would have wanted to go to it.

Kiyokawa 34:32

Oh, I see, I may not be playing it. Basically, this is an on-campus event for current students, not for alumni. Maybe we can broadcast it in the event report. Well, yes.

Tsutsui 34:56

We don't have about 20 people like that. We are asking for those six people, though. There is a point where we want to talk to the existing students, so maybe we are not running that part of the alumni association.

Takahashi 35:10

Did it say something about an alumni lecture meeting? Is it being sent by an alumnus?

Kiyokawa 35:14

Yes, yes, yes. So, for example, the online discussion of the general meeting, or, well, the previous one where, say, some laboratory was collecting donations, we would send out the information to everyone, but if everyone wants to participate, they can participate, and it's not easy to hold a meeting where 10,000 people can come. We don't send out such information in advance. It is

rare for people to come to the Web site to see what we are doing and how we are doing it, so we cannot tell them about our activities.

Tsutsui 35:52

We will pass on the information and talk about how we will include the rest in the future.

Kiyokawa 35:57

Yes, there may be the impression that we are constantly being begged, so we should throw out the message that we are actively working on it.

Takahashi 36:05

Did this social event start primarily with support career support? Or the alumni association? How did the alumni association get involved in this?

Kiyokawa 36:19

So, in that sense, we were asking, for example, if you could recommend someone, or what kind of person would be suitable as a lecturer, or if you could provide financial support. We have talked about, for example, selecting the right person for the position, or what kind of person would be best suited as a lecturer, or financial support. Yes, maybe we could be a little more proactive in getting involved.

Takahashi 36:39

Yes, it is.

Kiyokawa 36:46

Yeah, sorry. Yes, please, come in a minute.

Kawakami 36:46

This is related to the alumni association's issue, but I was thinking that it would be a good idea to use the AI to generate and send a newsletter with information such as "please register for the

alumni association's list" or "what benefits you will receive if you register for Palsign". I think it's a good idea and it won't cost that much, but what do you think?

Kiyokawa 37:34

Are we talking about online social networking or something like that?

Akisada 37:36

You suggest using a generative AI. It may be possible to use a generative AI to minimize the effort required to create the document.

Kawakami 37:41

Also, there are cases where they automatically create a design for you, and if you write on a piece of paper at the time of issue that says, "If you register with the Alumni Association, you will receive these benefits," or "If you register with Palsign, you will receive these benefits," and issue it many times, it will make people more aware and probably make it easier for them to join the association. I think that would be a good idea.

Akisada 38:24

Thank you for your input. You mentioned that you suggested a paper newsletter, was the alumni association aware that the newsletter was paper? Or was it a PDF?

Kiyokawa 38:30

I was thinking of a PDF image, but yes, I still wonder if it would be better to have it as a single issue, like the first issue. I was thinking of putting the PDF on the web and sending the link by e-mail or something like that. So it's a bit like a simple blog.

Akisada 38:50

But then, on the other hand, it would only be visible to those who currently have access to it, so it would not be visible to newcomers.

Kiyokawa 38:55

I see.

Takahashi 38:57

On the other hand, maybe you could send out an email when the bulletin comes out, and the link would be in a blog note.

Kiyokawa 39:03

I'd like to take as little time as possible to make a picture of something.

Akisada 39:11

I think we can contribute to reducing that labor since we use so much sentence generation AI and such, but we need to start by thinking about how to do the project.

Kiyokawa 39:20

Yes, and one of the most frequent comments I get is probably the bulletin board. A few years ago, Slack was a candidate, but when a paid license is issued, the message board disappears after three months. So, we are having a hard time, and we are talking about how discord is a little too gamer-oriented, and so on. I don't think it's good to have a star system. I think it would be most exciting if each person could communicate in this way.

Takahashi 39:59

Something like this, like Facebook? I don't know, maybe...

Kiyokawa 40:00

I don't see that young person on Facebook or whatever, I don't see him anymore.

Odajima 40:06

Nowadays, discord is used not only by gamers, but also by various communities.

Kiyokawa 40:10



The number is increasing, isn't it? It's not that we don't have discord or solutions anymore, but yes, we use them in our work.

Akisada 40:17

As you mentioned earlier, some people leave their registration in the membership system and do not take much action afterwards, so I think it would be effective to send out information on a regular basis to remind people of the existence of the alumni association.

Kiyokawa 40:27

Has anyone taken the agenda?

Kiyokawa 40:38

Yes, yes. And you have been doing that since last year or the year before, right? Yes. I am probably working on it. We also need to publish an English version, so we are using that tool as well.

Kiyokawa 40:53

Oh, I see. Lately, quite a bit.

Akisada 40:57

There was, in the English version.

Arai 40:58

English subtitles are also an option for this.

Akisada 41:00

AI is pretty smart these days. It even summarizes for you.

Kiyokawa 41:05

I'm still waiting for that real-time translation from Zoom. I'm still waiting for the real-time translation of Zoom's PowerPoint presentation, but it's very accurate. Yes, I think it's a good idea, and it's been done every year at the annual general meeting. We have a manpower problem, but yes, we really want to proceed like this. Thank you very much for your cooperation. Yes, yes, yes, by all means.

Omiya 41:31

When you mentioned social networking, yes, it seems that students who come to NAIST are on Twitter and Facebook, and young people are also on these sites.

Kiyokawa 41:43

I'm doing it right.

Sugimoto 41:45

NAIST students use Twitter, right?

Takahashi 41:45

Oh, you are a tweeter, aren't you?

Sugimoto 41:48

I think that many students use Twitter.

Kiyokawa 41:49

Twitter might be a good idea. Could it be used for PR? But it would just be that disjointed.

Akisada 41:55

A little bit, yes. I mean without bias.

Kiyokawa 41:58

It's hard to rewrite and every time and getter is weird too. Yes, yes, well why is it better to use each characteristic in that multiple? Well, do it a bit. I'd like to improve it. Now that we have gathered all the opinions, it is now 11:00 a.m., so we will continue with the exchange of opinions between the president, board members, and auditors, and alumni.

Akisada 42:33

I regularly browse the official Facebook page of NAIST's bioscience area, and there are about a dozen people, including myself, who have liked the page.