



Minutes of Board Meeting

Apr. 05 (9 former and new board members and 3 observers)

*Report from each group

*About next term's events

*About handouts of Annual General Meeting.



May Schedule

10:00 ~ 12:00

Date	Activity	Place
May 10 (Fri.)	Japanese/Chatting Table	Community Center 1F Shūkaishitsu
	Board Meeting	1F Kaigishitsu
May 17 (Fri.)	Japanese/Chatting Table	Community Center 2F Ongakushitsu
May 24 (Fri.)	Japanese/Chatting Table	Community Center 1F Shūkaishitsu
May 31 (Fri.)	Japanese/Chatting Table	Asaka Library Shichōkakushitsu

Information

*On Apr.19, AIS's annual general meeting was held with the attendance of 43 people. Last year's budget and activities were reported, and this year's budget and activities were also discussed.

*Japanese Study Group①:

May 10 (Fri.) 9:00-9:50



Welcome to AIS! (New members)

Ms. Xia Yunhe (China) Ms. Dai Yuanyuan (China) Ms. Gong Fanhan (China)

Ms. Sititsirigune Ratchaya (Thailand) Ms. Shudo Reina (Japan) Ms. Morisita Ryona (China)

The Difference in Celebrating Valentine's Day Between Japan and China

Li Na (China)

In China, Valentine's Day is also called Lovers' Day.

In Japan, it is common for women to give their lovers or friends chocolates. But in China, it is the day when men prepare romantic dates and gifts for women. Of course, it is good to give each other gifts. But it is enough for a woman to just wait. You don't have to hand out obligatory chocolates to your male bosses, colleagues or friends.

As gifts, considered to best express men's love, roses are the most common and chocolates are also popular, but not necessarily the main gift, like in Japan. A romantic date and giving a gift are known to be the best ways to express men's love.

The most common dating plan on Valentine's Day is watching a movie followed by a romantic dinner. That is, men are required to prepare a romantic date. Not all men prepare this way, but their girlfriends are generally looking forward to something special. However, what is most important for men to be able to express their love.

In China, the day of the Star Festival in the lunar calendar is also a day for lovers. It is also an important day for lovers, not only Valentine's Day on February 14th. So, men have lots to prepare. This is not the day that women have to prepare something in return for the romantic date their boyfriends prepared for them on Valentine's Day. Culture is quite different between China and Japan.

