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Presentations by the second group of long-term volunteers to Paraguay

Presentations by the second group of long-term volunteers in the Obihiro-JICA Volunteer Team Partnership Program was held at General Research Building I on October 28. The volunteers were Hideyuki Kabeya (2nd year, Graduate School of Animal Husbandry), Akane Miyazaki (2nd year, Graduate School of Animal Husbandry), Sho Atsumi (2014 School of Agriculture) and Hisae Yuge (2012 School of Agriculture). The first three students were in Paraguay from July 2014 to March 2016, and Hisae Yuge from July 2014 to September 2016.

Professor Katsuya Kida, the chief supervisor of this program and the director of the Field Center of Animal Science and Agriculture, outlined the project, and then Hideyuki Kabeya, who worked as a project coordinator in Paraguay, coordinated the session.

Mr. Kabeya, who worked in Encarnación, Itapúa Department in southern Paraguay, gave an outline of Paraguay. He then reported that he made friends with locals through talking about insects, his specialty, which made his work easier. Ms. Miyazaki, who worked in Coronel Bogado, reported that she visited model farmers and worked to improve cattle feeding and hygiene. Mr. Atsumi, who worked in San Pedro del Paraná, explained how he worked hard with universities, agriculture-related bodies and the local government to hold a seminar and improve animal feeding management. Ms. Yuge, who worked in San Juan del Paraná, said that she was engaged in the promotion of silage to resolve cattle feed shortages in winter, and the two years were a whole new experience and good memory for her.

Finally, President Kiyoshi Okuda offered words of appreciation to the volunteers who worked in Paraguay for such a long period.



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