

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

COUNCIL

The following is a list of non-restricted matters discussed at the Council meeting held on July 28, 2020.

1. The Council RECORDED its deepest condolences on the passing of the following members of the University:
 - Mr. Edward K.F. CHOW, member of the Court and the Council since 2015;
 - Dr. Stanley HO, Doctor of Social Sciences *honoris causa*, member of the Court from 1982 to 2003 and member of the Council from 1984 to 2003;
 - Mr. TAM Wing Fan, Honorary University Fellow of the University; and
 - Dr. Philip WONG, Doctor of Laws *honoris causa*, member of the Court from 1976 to 1979 and 1994 to 2006 and member of the Council from 1994 to 2006.

2. The Council RECEIVED a report from the President & Vice-Chancellor on the recent activities of the University including
 - (a) the ranking and scores of the University in the 2021 QS World University Rankings;
 - (b) the University's performance in research as reflected in the results of the Research Grants Council's competitive grant exercises, General Research Fund and related schemes, and Theme-based Research Scheme;
 - (c) the preparation for the new academic year starting in September, including the plan for dual mode teaching, with both online and face-to-face learning options, for the first semester in view of the uncertainties under COVID-19;
 - (d) the different initiatives offered by the University to the graduating class of 2020 to help them through this tough period, such as scholarship scheme, internship programme, and an additional year of access to library and sports facilities;
 - (e) the various campus development projects in progress to support the University's academic pursuits and enhance its competitive edge;
 - (f) his appointment as a member on the Steering Committee of the Association of Pacific Rim Universities and the University's hosting of its Annual Presidents' Meeting in 2022; and
 - (g) his meetings with stakeholders and friends of the University, including student representatives, donors and potential donors, a consul-general, government officials and University Grants Committee representatives.

3. The Council
 - (a) RECEIVED from the Human Resource Policy Committee (the “HRPC”) its annual report for the year 2019-20; and
 - (b) THANKED the Hon. Abraham L.H. SHEK, Chairman of the HRPC, and members of the HRPC for their work.
4. The Council RESOLVED that Mr. Steve LO Chit Ki be appointed as the Executive Vice-President (Administration and Finance) from August 17, 2020 or as soon as possible thereafter.
5. The Council APPROVED a recommendation of the Senate that the title of Emeritus Professor be conferred under the provisions of Statute XIII.1 on the following Professors, who retired from the University:

Professor C.L.W. CHAN
Professor D. DUDGEON
Professor S.M. ROWLINSON.
6. The Council APPROVED, as endorsed by the Senate, the expansion of scope and extension of the clinical practitioner staff grades to the clinical medical disciplines in the Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, and the revisions pertaining to the appointment of healthcare professionals in the disciplines of nursing, pharmacy and Chinese Medicine to practitioner staff grades.
7. The Council APPROVED, as endorsed by the Senate, a proposal to establish by-courtesy professoriate titles.
8. The Council APPROVED a recommendation of the Board of the Faculty of Architecture, supported by the Senate, that the Centre on Renewable Energy in Architecture, a sub-division of studies and learning in the Faculty of Architecture, be disestablished with immediate effect under the provisions of Section 8(3) of the Ordinance.
9. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee to the President & Vice-Chancellor on Endowed Professorships,
 - (a) that the following Endowed Professorship be established in appreciation of a generous donation of HK\$10 million from Dr. Bryan LIN and with a matching fund from the University to fulfill the University’s commitment:

Jiaohua Su Professorship in Paediatric Oncology and Transplant
The University of Hong Kong
香港大學 蘇嬌華基金教授席 (兒童腫瘤及移植科)
 - (b) that the following Endowed Professorships be renamed, as agreed by the Faculty of Business and Economics and the donor, Dr. CHUNG Hon Dak, Chairman of the Chung Hon Dak Foundation, to reflect the change in the designated disciplines:

- (i) From: Chung Hon-Dak Professorship in Economic Development
鍾瀚德基金教授席 (經濟發展學)
To: Chung Hon-Dak Professorship in Strategy and International
Business
鍾瀚德基金教授席 (商業策略及國際商務)
- (ii) From: Chung Hon-Dak Professorship in Finance
鍾瀚德基金教授席 (金融學)
To: Chung Hon-Dak Professorship in Accounting
鍾瀚德基金教授席 (會計學)

10. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Nominations Committee,
- (a) that the following be appointed as Chairman/member of the Audit Committee for a period of three years from July 29, 2020:
 - (i) Dr. Peter K.K. WONG, as the Chairman under the category “The Chairman, to be appointed by the Council from amongst those lay members with audit, financial or accounting experience”; and
 - (ii) Mrs. Ayesha M. LAU, as a member under the category “Five members, appointed by the Council, who are not members of the Finance Committee (or any of its sub-committees) or responsible for the day-to-day management of the University”;
 - (b) that Professor S.N.M. YOUNG be appointed as a member of the Discrimination Complaints Committee under the category “A staff member, appointed by the Council for a period of two years” for a period of two years from September 1, 2020;
 - (c) that Dr. E.M.F. SENG be appointed as a member of the Grievances Panel for Students under the category “One member from each Faculty appointed by the Council on the nomination of the Board of the Faculty concerned from among its members (Architecture)” for the period ending June 30, 2022; and
 - (d) that Professor Henry H.L. CHAN be appointed as a member of the Committee on Health, Safety and Well-Being under the category “A member of the Council, appointed by the Council” for a period of three years from July 29, 2020.
11. The Council RECEIVED an annual report on waiver of overhead charges on non-UGC-funded research projects for the year 2019-20.