## THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

## COUNCIL

The following is a list of non-restricted matters discussed at the Council meeting held on January 31, 2024.

- 1. The Council HEARD a report from the President & Vice-Chancellor on the following:
  - (a) funding secured by University researchers under the National Science Foundation for China and the Research Grants Council 2023-24 Exercise as a testimony to the University's ever-strengthening research capability;
  - (b) the largest ever five-day job fair organized by the Centre of Development and Resources for Students as a key measure to enhance career support and services to students; and
  - (c) the international recognition of the University's teaching and learning efforts, with HKU's teams having won one Silver and one Bronze in the "QS Reimagine Education Awards".
- 2. The Council APPROVED the establishment of the HKU-HKJC Enterprise Sustainability Global (ESG) Research Institute as a sub-division of studies and learning under the provisions of Section 8(3) of the Ordinance for an initial period of five years.
- 3. The Council APPROVED, for submission to the Court, a recommendation of the Senate that Statute III "Degrees and Other Academic Distinctions" be amended by inclusion of the title "Master of Science in Geospatial Data Science 理科碩士[地理空間數據科學]" in paragraph 1(b) thereof.
- 4. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the President & Vice-Chancellor, that in recognition of a generous pledge from The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust in support of University developments, the Conference Centre at the Pokfield Campus Phase Three development be named "The Hong Kong Jockey Club Conference Centre (香港賽馬會大講堂)".
- 5. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the President & Vice-Chancellor,
  - that in recognition of a generous gifts-in-kind of Chan Kwan Po Diaries Manuscripts (陳君葆日記) from Mr. TSE Wing Kwon and Ms. Karen TSE in support of University developments, a 26sq m reading room within the Main Library be named "Chan Kwan Po Reading Room (陳君葆閱覽室)"; and
  - (b) that in recognition of a generous gift from Professor Norman KO Wah Man in support of University developments, a 400sq m room within the Main Library be named "Ko Wong Wai Ching Wendy Fine Arts Digital Library (高黃慧貞電子藝術圖書館)".

## 6. The Council

- (a) RECEIVED a paper on the trustee appointment to the Boards of Trustees for the University's retirement schemes; and
- (b) APPROVED that Mr. SE-TO Ka Fai be appointed as Trustee for the Boards of Trustees of Staff Terminal Benefits Scheme (1988) and Staff Provident Fund, in accordance with Clause 3.02(iii) and Clause 3(B)(iii) of the respective Trust Deeds, to replace Mr. Felix NG with immediate effect, as supported by the Chairman of the Boards of Trustees.
- 7. The Council TOOK NOTE of the research funding received from the Shenzhen Municipal Government *via* its Top-notch Scientist Support Scheme for the operation of the Materials Innovation Institute for Life Sciences and Energy (MILES).

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