

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

COUNCIL

The following is a list of matters discussed at the Council meeting held on April 24, 2012:

1. The Council RECEIVED a report from the Vice-Chancellor on the recent activities of the University including
 - (a) the brain-storming session of members of the Senior Management Team conducted to review the prevailing budget position, the investment of University Funds and, most importantly, the funding position and commitments with regard to the University's capital projects and its longer term infrastructural needs;
 - (b) the visit of Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn and academic members representing some of the leading Thai tertiary institutions to the University on April 17, 2012;
 - (c) the public statement made together with the other members of the Heads of Universities Committee expressing the support of the UGC-funded institutions of the 6th round of the Matching Grant Scheme which would help further promote the philanthropic culture in the community;
 - (d) the HKU 100 Celebrations in the United Kingdom in which
 - (i) a seminar entitled "Dunhuang and Hong Kong: Gateways to Ancient and Modern China" would be held at the British Library in the afternoon of May 14, 2012;
 - (ii) a luncheon (Centenary Celebrations Luncheon), to be attended by business and community leaders, academic partners, alumni and friends of the University, would be held on May 15, 2012 at The Drapers' Hall, London; and that Lord Wilson of Tillyorn, formerly Chancellor of the University and an alumnus, would address the occasion; and
 - (iii) a symposium with Professor Johannes M.M. CHAN, Dean of the Faculty of Law, speaking on "From One-Country-Two-Systems to Constitutional Development in China" and Professor Richard Y.C. WONG speaking on "Another Look at China's 5-Year Plan" would be held before the Luncheon on May 15, 2012; and
 - (e) the latest progress of the HKU-China 1,000 Exchange scheme.
2. The Council
 - (a) RECEIVED a paper from the Vice-Chancellor on the appointments of Pro-Vice-Chancellors (PVCs);

- (b) APPROVED that the appointment of Professor S.P. CHOW, Professor J.G. MALPAS, Professor P.K.H. TAM and Professor A.B.M. TSUI as PVCs be extended until February 28, 2014, as recommended by the Vice-Chancellor; and
 - (c) THANKED Professor S.P. CHOW, Professor J.G. MALPAS, Professor P.K.H. TAM and Professor A.B.M. TSUI for their contribution towards the development of the University and for willing to continue to help the University until the arrival of the next Vice-Chancellor.
3. The Council
- (a) RECEIVED a paper from the Finance Committee on the mid-year budget review for 2011-12; and
 - (b) APPROVED the revision to the 2011-12 budget estimate, noting that the 2012-13 Income and Expenditure forecast on block grant activities would be submitted to the Council after deliberation by the Finance Committee in May or June 2012.
4. The Council APPROVED a recommendation of the Board of the Faculty of Social Sciences, supported by the Senate, that the Centre for Anthropological Research (CAR), a sub-division of studies and learning allocated to the Faculty of Social Sciences, be disestablished with immediate effect under the provisions of Section 8(3) of the Ordinance.
5. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Nominations Committee,
- (a) that Dr. Christopher W.C. CHENG be appointed as the Chairman of the Campus Development and Planning Committee (CDPC) under the membership category “A lay member of the Council, appointed by the Council (Chairman)” from April 25, 2012 for a period of three years;
 - (b) that Mr. Martin TAM be re-appointed as a member of the CDPC under the membership category “Five members who are not employees or students of the University, appointed by the Council” for the period ending February 28, 2015;
 - (c) that Mrs. Margaret M.Y. LEUNG KO be appointed as a member of the Committee on Honorary University Fellows under the category “Two members who are not employees or students of the University, at least one of whom shall be a graduate of the University and at least one of whom shall be a member of the Council, appointed by the Council” from April 25, 2012 for a period of three years; and
 - (d) that Mr. WONG Kai Man be appointed as a member of the Mrs. Li Ka Shing Fund Committee of Management under the category “A member who is not an employee or student of the University, appointed by the Council” from April 25, 2012 for a period of three years.

6. The Council NOTED that the Chairman of the Council had approved, on behalf of the Council, that a footnote be inserted in the election document for the election of three full-time senior professorial Teachers at Chair Professor level to the Search Committee for the Next Vice-Chancellor, to reflect the original intention that for the purpose of the election, all full-time employees of the University who carried a Chair Professor appointment or a Chair title should be included.
7. The Council RECEIVED from the HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education its Annual Report and Financial Report for the year 2010-11.
8. The Council
 - (a) HEARD a presentation by Professor G.W.K. TANG, the Executive Hospital Chief Executive of the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital, on the progress of the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital; and
 - (b) THANKED Professor TANG, Professor S.P. LEE, Dean of the Medical Faculty, and all those involved in the work of the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital for bringing the project to this stage of development.

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