



The Convocation of City University of Hong Kong Minutes of the Second Annual General Meeting Held on 12 December 2008

The second Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Convocation was held on 12 December 2008 at 7:00 pm at Tin Ka Ping Lecture Theatre (LT 1), Academic Building, City University of Hong Kong.

37 Convocation members were present at the meeting. The Secretary confirmed the quorum at 7:10 pm and the Chairman announced the commencement of the meeting accordingly.

- 1. The Meeting CONFIRMED the minutes of the first Annual General Meeting held on 7 November 2007.
- 2. The Meeting RECEIVED report from the Chairman of the First Standing Committee of Convocation. The Chairman RECEIVED feedback from the floor in sequence as follows:

2.1 Convocation Activities

A member gave positive comments on the "Talk Series" co-hosted by the Alumni Relations Office ("ARO"; the then Development and Alumni Relations Office) and the Convocation in the year.

2.2 Membership

A member **ENQUIRED** whether graduates from the Community College of City University (CCCU) were Convocation members. The Secretary explained that according to the Constitution of the Convocation, each graduate on receipt of an academic award granted by the University or the then City Polytechnic of Hong Kong shall be a member of the Convocation.

Emeritus Professors and Honorary Award Recipients were also members. According to this definition, CCCU graduates were Convocation members.

2.3 Environmental-Protection Project

A member **ENQUIRED** if the Convocation would organize projects in relation to environmental protection. One Standing Committee member **REPORTED** that the Convocation had worked with other units of the University for computer-recycling to help protect the environment and support the needy. With thanks to the Department of Biology and Chemistry for their support, the Standing Committee had coordinated with the Hong Kong Caritas Computer Recycle Project and collected one lot of used computers and monitors in November 2008 for the needy. The Standing Committee planned to rearrange the exercise in the coming year.

2.4 Funding for Convocation

A member **ENQUIRED** about the source of funding for the Convocation. The Chairman stated that the operation fund of the Convocation was supported by the University. The Secretary **EXPLAINED** that the University had set aside budget for its alumni relations function which covered the development of the Convocation.

2.5 Data of Convocation Members

- 2.5.1 A member ENQUIRED about management of the data of Convocation members. The Secretary EXPLAINED that as the University unit in charge of alumni relations work, ARO was managing and coordinating a centralized alumni database for the use of University in strengthening alumni relations.
- 2.5.2 ARO was providing secretariat support for the Convocation and the same database was used for communication between the Convocation and its members.

2.6 Activity Plan

- 2.6.1 A member ENQUIRED about the upcoming activity plan of the Convocation. The Chairman mentioned that in support of the University's fundraising initiatives, the Standing Committee would help raise fund to offer scholarship and bursaries for CityU students in the name of the Convocation. In coordination with other University departments, it would also support career programmes for CityU students. Other activities included professional talks, social activities, etc.
- 2.6.2 Dr. Bryan Wong, Vice-Chairman for University Development, added that he had been participating in the 25th Anniversary Organizing Committee. The Convocation would give full support to the University for organizing meaningful celebration activities.
- 2.6.3 Mr. Joseph Tsoi, Vice-Chairman for External Affairs, mentioned that in line with one of the core values of the Convocation, namely social responsibility, the Convocation would continue to support community services and activities.
- 3. The Chairman informed the meeting that Ms Pheony Tsang had been appointed by the President as Secretary of Convocation with effect from 1 January 2009. She would report to Associate Vice-President (Alumni Relations). The Chairman thanked Ms Kathy Chan, the Secretary for her contribution and the Secretariat for providing excellent support for the Standing Committee.
- **4.** The Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 8:15 pm.