



The Convocation of City University of Hong Kong
Minutes of the Twelveth Annual General Meeting Held on 6 December 2018

The Twelveth Annual General Meeting of the Convocation was held at 7:30pm
on 6 December 2018 at the Eminence Galaxy - Alumni Function Room,
11/F, Lau Ming Wai Academic Building, City University of Hong Kong

Present:	Members of the Sixth Standing Committee	
	Chairman	Mr Robert LUI Chi-wang
	Vice-Chairmen	Mr Cedric CHENG Cheuk-him Mr Gabriel HO Kai-pong Mr William KHOO Wun-fat Mr Bruce LEE Yiu-fai
	Committee Members	Miss Karen AU Kit-yu Mr Danny CHOW Tsz-kin Mr James KONG Cho-on Miss Vera KONG Ting-kwan Mr Dickson PUN Kim-ming Mr Douglas WONG Chi-yeung Miss Carol WONG Ka-mei Ms Ywing YEUNG Wing-ki
Absent with Apologies:	Committee Members	Mr Clovis LAU Koong-yep (<i>Immediate Past Chairman</i>) Miss Karmen CHAN Ka-man Mr Raymond NG Kwok-ho

Ms Pennie LAI, Convocation Secretary **CONFIRMED** the quorum of this Annual General Meeting (AGM) at 7:33pm. A total of 36 Convocation members attended the meeting. She **WELCOMED** Convocation members for joining the AGM convened by the Sixth Standing Committee (SC) of CityU Convocation. She **INTRODUCED** attendees including SC members and Miss Antonia YEUNG, Director of Alumni Relations.

Mr Robert LUI, the Chairman of the Sixth SC, announced the commencement of the meeting and hosted the meeting according to procedures as stated in Rules of Meeting of CityU Convocation.

TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 12 DECEMBER 2017

1. The meeting **CONFIRMED** the minutes of the eleventh AGM held on 12 December 2017.

CHAIRMAN’S PRESENTATION OF “REPORT FOR AGM” ON BEHALF OF THE SIXTH STANDING COMMITTEE

2. The meeting **RECEIVED** report from the Chairman of the Sixth SC. In the report, the Chairman **RECAPPED** the background of the Convocation including its formation, term of office of the SC, membership and objectives.

Highlights in 2018

2.1 Activities

The Chairman **HIGHLIGHTED** Convocation activities including:

The Chairman **REPORTED** that CityU alumni supported two meaningful social and healthy activities organised by CityU’s Department of Social and Behavioural Sciences. At the wellness programme - “Street Soccer x CityU ·Friendly League 2018” on 24 March, SC members led two CityU Alumni Teams to a friendly soccer match for a game with other teams of Homeless Soccer Teams, City-Youth Empowerment Project and CityU Student Residence. The match aimed to help the marginal groups build self-confidence and promote social integration.

On another occasion - “Happy Carnival 2018 – Together” on 28 April, Convocation invited alumni volunteers to run a juice bar at Happy Carnival serving the beneficiaries of City-Youth Empowerment Project, including children and youth, families of ethnic minority and the elderly.

“The Inauguration of the Sixth SC” on 30 May. SC members pledged to support University development and serve the alumni community with sincerity, integrity and commitment. They treasured the occasion to network with fellow alumni and senior staff

of the University. SC would promote wellness in the alumni community through a variety of meaningful endeavours during their term of office.

The Chairman **SHARED** that Convocation promoted healthy life to fellow alumni. A green tour was organised by the Convocation on 7 October at Urban Oasis, a community project which aimed to help the needy through horticultural therapy and greening. Alumni, their family members and friends enjoyed a gardening workshop with reflections on nature conservation. Participants also enjoyed a hike on 25 November at Hok Tsui. Alumni treasured the opportunities to make new friends and strengthen the ties amongst themselves.

The Chairman also **HIGHLIGHTED** “Dialogue with the President”, a co-hosted event with the Alumni Relations Office (ARO) on 9 November. Facilitated by Convocation Chairman, President Professor Way Kuo exchanged views on recent developments of the University with participants. They treasured the opportunity to mingle with fellow alumni and develop network.

The Chairman **ADDED** that after the event, guests joined a special guided-tour to “Animal: Art Science Nature Society” exhibition jointly presented by CityU and the National Palace Museum in Taipei at CityU Exhibition Gallery.

The Chairman also **SHARED** that the Convocation welcomed fresh graduates of Class 2018 to the alumni family and promoted its work during the Congregation on 24 November. An e-snapshot photo kiosk was set up for fresh graduates to capture happy moments with their families and friends.

2.2 Convo’s Poll at AlumExpress

The Chairman **SHARED** that an interactive Convo’s Poll was posted on Convocation homepage and “Convocation News” in the e-newsletter “AlumExpress” issued by ARO. The Poll served as a means for SC to collect alumni views and enhance their affiliation to the University.

2.3 e-Communication

Convocation also sustained member relationship through various e-channels such as homepage and Facebook by providing them with updates on the developments of the Convocation and the University.

2.4 Serving as a Bridge between Alumni and University

The Chairman **SHARED** that he had been serving on the Council, its Community Relations Committee and its Advisory Committee for Graduate Employment, and the Court. The Chairman helped channel feedback of alumni to various parties and units.

The Chairman delegated Committee members to join the Selection Panel of the Teaching Excellence Awards, the organising committees of the Congregation and CityU

Delegation for Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon. Other involvement of SC was listed in the [appendix](#).

2.5 Engagement in University Activities

Convocation showed full support again to the CityU Delegation at the Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon. Chairman Mr Robert Lui attended the flag presentation ceremony on 15 January to gear up CityU runners. SC members joined the support team on-site in the early morning on 21 January to cheer on some 1,200 CityU runners at the race.

The Chairman also **SHARED** that the Convocation and ARO coordinated with the Students' Union to promote CityU Banquet which was held on 19 October. Alumni, students and staff took the opportunity to get together, exchange updates and reminisce the campus life. SC members joined with ARO representatives to greet the alumni.

2.6 Fundraising

Alumni were encouraged to contribute to their alma mater by making donation through Convocation. A total of HK\$402,378.50 has been recorded so far. The Chairman **REPORTED** that an emergency bursary case of HK\$10,000 was granted to a student from a single parent family of the College of Business (Accountancy) whose father passed away in May due to chronic illness. The assistance aims to ease the student's financial hardship in covering his father's funeral expenses.

2.7 Partnership with the Alumni Relations Office (ARO)

Apart from co-hosting activities, Convocation co-presented with ARO a welcoming message to graduates of 2018 on the Congregation booklet and a heart-shaped bookmark. The new graduates would also get access to a Congregation video comprising a 20-second introduction of Convocation and ARO.

Invited by ARO, an SC representative joined the Advisory Committee for City AlumNet to give input. They were also involved and participated in other alumni activities organised by ARO.

3. Other Remarks

3.1 Financial Report

The Chairman **CONFIRMED** the Chairman's Report and Financial Report.

3.2 Expressing Gratitude

As the first half of their tenure comes to an end, the Chairman **THANKED** the University Council and senior management for their invaluable advice, SC members for their unwavering devotion, the Secretariat for their professional support, and ARO for the dedicated effort in strengthening alumni relations.

4. Sharing from Member

A member **ENQUIRED** how many alumni could be reached through the platform of Convocation and their years of graduation.

On this occasion the Chairman **THANKED** the support of alumni to Convocation. He **SHARED** that the Convocation had been dedicated to strengthening tie with alumni. Since its inauguration, Convocation has earnestly outreached to alumni of diverse academic backgrounds, professionals and age groups. Convocation has put considerable efforts to engage alumni from different sectors through various activities and mobilized their support to the University. The Convocation also served as an effective communication platform to channel alumni views for the better development of alma mater.

A member **ENQUIRED** did Convocation engage students before their graduation.

The Chairman **SHARED** that a digital photo booth was set up at the University Congregation and members of the Standing Committee would take this opportunity to greet fresh graduates, welcome them to the alumni family and introduce the work of the Convocation. While capturing memorable moments with their families and friends, newly joined alumni could stay tuned to the Convocation and deepen bonds with the University.

A member **ENQUIRED** how Convocation could assist fresh graduates in preparing for their employment/career development.

The Chairman **SHARED** his experience of serving as volunteer of his Faculty through conducting orientations, workshops on interview skills, career sharing sessions and company visits to fellow students. He **ADDED** that members of the Convocation Standing Committee members who were law graduates have been committed in offering internship programmes for respective CityU graduates. The Chairman **AGREED** that Convocation would continue this initiative with the aim to better support fellow alumni in career development and in the meantime create bonding with the University

A member **ENQUIRED** if support was available to alumni of ethnic minorities (e.g. set up of new alumni association).

The Chairman **APPRECIATED** the member's concern about providing support to alumni of ethnic minorities, and **REASSURED** that embracing the caring spirit to support students and alumni has long been the mission of the Convocation. He **RECAPPED** that alumni from ethnic minorities have been invited to join Convocation activities. For example, in April this year they participated in the "Happy Carnival 2018" organized by CityU's Department of Social and Behavioural Sciences with the Convocation as a Supporting Unit. Alumni of ethnic minorities, by participating in Convocation's initiatives such as social service endeavours and wellness programmes, could experience the supportive culture of the University together with their families and friends.

5. The Chairman **THANKED** alumni for joining the AGM. The meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 7:58pm.

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