THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

COUNCIL

The following is a list of matters* discussed at the Council meeting held on April 30, 2013:

1. The Council WELCOMED Professor Edward K.Y. CHEN who had been recently appointed as member of the Council under the membership category “Six persons, not being students or employees of the University, appointed by the Council” to his first meeting of the Council.

2. The Council RECORDED a vote of thanks to Professor D.P.Y. LUNG who would retire from his Deanship of Architecture from May 1, 2013, for taking the helm and for all his contributions during his Deanship of Architecture; and Mrs. A.W.F. LO, Director of Human Resources, who would retire from the Directorship from May 27, 2013, for all her contributions to the University.

3. The Council also RECORDED a vote of thanks to Mr. T.S. LI, the undergraduate student representative, who would retire from his Council membership from May 3, 2013, for his participation in the work of the Council in the past three years.

4. The Council RECEIVED a report from the Vice-Chancellor on the visit of a delegation from the University Grants Committee (UGC) led by its Chairman, Mr. Edward W.S. CHENG, to the University on April 18, 2013.

5. The Council APPROVED a recommendation of the Board of the Faculty of Engineering and the Board of the Faculty of Law, supported by the Senate, that the constitution of the Law and Technology Centre, a sub-division of studies and learning in the Faculties of Engineering and Law, be revised as set out in document L62/113 with immediate effect.

6. The Council APPROVED a recommendation of the Board of the Faculty of Social Sciences, supported by the Senate, that the HKU Family Institute, 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.

7. The Council APPROVED a recommendation of the Graduate House Committee of Management that the Graduate House residents’ lodging fees be increased by 3.7% in 2013-14, i.e. from $2,700 to $2,800 for a single room, and $4,950 to $5,130 for a double room.

8. The Council APPROVED for submission to the Court, a recommendation of the Senate that Statute III “Degrees and Other Academic Distinctions” be amended by the inclusion of the following titles in paragraph 1(b) thereof:
9. The Council APPROVED on the recommendation of the Nominations Committee, that the following be appointed/re-appointed as members of the Staff Grievances Panel under the respective membership categories for a period of three years until April 30, 2016, unless otherwise specified:

(a) “A Chairman and a Vice-Chairman, appointed by the Council, who shall be members of the Council but who are not appointees of the University”

The Hon. Martin C.K. LIAO as Chairman for the period ending November 6, 2015 (re-appointment); and

Mr. Lester G. HUANG as Vice-Chairman;

(b) “Other members appointed by the Council, at least one of them shall be a member of the Council”

Ms. Christine M.S. FANG, for the period ending March 30, 2016 (re-appointment).

10. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Chairman of the Council, that Dr. Peter K.K. WONG be nominated for appointment as one of the HKU representatives on the Board of Directors of the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital.

11. The Council RECEIVED a supplementary report from the Audit Committee on its Annual Report for the year 2011-12.

12. The Council NOTED that the Chairman of the Council had approved, on behalf of the Council, that the Vice-Chancellor be appointed as Chairman of the Accommodation Committee from April 1, 2013.

13. The Council

(a) HEARD a presentation by Professor N.C. TIEN, Dean of Engineering, on the development of the Faculty; and

(b) COMMENDED Professor TIEN and colleagues of the Faculty of Engineering for the achievement as well as their effort in the development of the Faculty; and THANKED Professor TIEN for the presentation.

* Excluding personnel matters relating to individuals.

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