THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

COUNCIL

The following is a list of matters* discussed at the Council meeting held on June 24, 2014:

1. The Council RECORDED a vote of thanks to Professor J.M.M. CHAN, Dean of Law, and Professor E.C.M. LO, Dean of Dentistry, who would be retiring from their Deanships from July 1, 2014, for the valuable contributions they had made during their respective Deanships.

2. The Council RECEIVED from the President & Vice-Chancellor a report on the recent activities of the University.

3. The Council

   (a) APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Chairman of the Council, that Mrs. Margaret M.Y. LEUNG KO, who had been the Acting Treasurer since January 1, 2014, be appointed as Treasurer for a period of three years from July 1, 2014; and

   (b) THANKED Mrs. LEUNG for agreeing to take on this important role.

4. The Council RECEIVED an update on the latest progress of the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital project.

5. The Council RECEIVED from the Steering Committee on the Gleneagles Hong Kong Hospital Project at Wong Chuk Hang an update on the project.

6. The Council

   (a) RECEIVED a position paper from Dr. S.J. CANNON, Executive Vice-President (Administration and Finance), on staff quarters;

   (b) HEARD Dr. CANNON take members through the salient points of the paper, including the overview of the current situation regarding staff quarters and the proposed actions to be taken to ensure that the University’s housing policy be sustainable and affordable in the long run;

   (c) further HEARD Professor Edward K.Y. CHEN, Chairman of the Campus Development and Planning Committee (the “CDPC”), speak to the observations and suggestions of the CDPC;

   (d) ENDORSED the proposed actions to be taken forward by the University management as proposed in the paper; and INVITED the Senior Management Team to revert to the Council with a timetable for the way forward; and

   (e) THANKED Dr. CANNON for apprising members of the position.
7. The Council

(a) RECEIVED reports following reviews of the Faculty of Science, Centre of Theoretical and Computational Physics and Institute of Mathematical Research;

(b) NOTED from the Acting President & Vice-Chancellor, who chaired the Advisory Group on Academic Reviews (the “AGAR”),

(i) that the reports had been considered by Board of the Faculty of Science, the AGAR and the Academic Board before submission to the Senate; and that the Senate considered the reports at its meeting held on June 3, 2014 and endorsed, in full, all recommendations put forth by the various Review Panels; and

(ii) that the recommendations would be followed up by the relevant parties within the University; and the AGAR would monitor the implementation of these approved recommendations; and

(c) THANKED the Review Panels for its work and for the reports.

8. The Council

(a) RECEIVED reports following the overall academic review of the eight Centres in the Faculty of Education and individual review of the Centre for Advancement of Chinese Language Education and Research, Centre for Communication Disorders, Comparative Education Research Centre, Centre for Information Technology in Education, and Wah Ching Centre of Research on Education in China;

(b) NOTED from the Acting President & Vice-Chancellor, who chaired the Advisory Group on Academic Reviews (the “AGAR”),

(i) that the reports had been considered by Board of the Faculty of Education, the AGAR and the Academic Board before submission to the Senate; and that the Senate considered the reports at its meeting held on June 3, 2014 and endorsed, in full, all recommendations put forth by the various Review Panels; and

(ii) that the recommendations would be followed up by the relevant parties within the University; and the AGAR would monitor the implementation of these approved recommendations; and

(c) THANKED the Review Panels for its work and for the reports.

9. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Nominations Committee,

(a) that Professor LO King Man be re-appointed as a member of the Graduate House Committee of Management under the category “Two persons not being officers or teachers, appointed by the Council” for the period June 30, 2014 to June 29, 2017;
(b) that the following be appointed/re-appointed as members of the Grievances Panel for Students under the membership category “One member from each Faculty appointed by the Council on the nomination of the Board of the Faculty concerned from among its members” for the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016:

(i) Dr. M.Z. CHEN, Assistant Professor in the Department of Mechanical Engineering (Engineering);

(ii) Dr. T.D. HAU, Associate Professor in the School of Economics and Finance (Business and Economics);

(iii) Dr. G.K.K. LEUNG, Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Surgery (Medicine);

(iv) Dr. W. LI, Assistant Professor in the Department of Urban Planning and Design (Architecture);

(v) Dr. F.C.C. LING, Associate Professor in the Department of Physics (Science) (re-appointment);

(vi) Dr. G. SONG, Associate Professor in the School of Chinese (Arts); and

(vii) Dr. D.T.S. TANG, Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology (Social Sciences); and

(c) that the following be re-appointed as members of the University Health Services Committee under the respective membership categories for the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016:

(i) “A member, nominated by the Academic Staff Association, appointed by the Council”

Dr. S.W. CHEUNG, Associate Professor in the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering;

(ii) “A member, nominated by The University of Hong Kong Staff Association, appointed by the Council”

Mr. P.Y. CHEUNG, Senior Clerk in the Department of Social Work and Social Administration; and

(iii) “A general practitioner from outside the University who is a member of the Hong Kong College of Family Physicians, appointed by the Council”

Dr. LAU Ho Lim, a general practitioner and Vice-President of the Hong Kong College of Family Physicians.
10. The Council RECEIVED an update on the titles of the Vice-President & Pro-Vice-Chancellors to be used for the new appointments, and on the reporting line of the Director of Communications.

11. The Council NOTED that the Chairman of Council had approved, on behalf of the Council, that Professor R.A. GLOFCHESKI, Professor in the Department of Law, be appointed as a member of the Search Committee for the Vice-President & Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Teaching & Learning) under the membership category “A senior academic member appointed by the Council” to replace Professor J.M. CARROLL with immediate effect.

12. The Council

(a) HEARD a presentation by Professor J.M.M. CHAN, Dean of Law, on the development of the Faculty; and

(b) COMMENDED colleagues of the Faculty of Law for their effort in the development of the Faculty; and RECORDED a vote of thanks to Professor CHAN for his dedicated service to the University as the Dean of Law for the past 12 years.

* Excluding personnel matters relating to individuals.

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