The following is a list of non-restricted matters discussed at the Council meeting held on May 29, 2018.

1. The Council WELCOMED Mr. Davin Kenneth WONG, the newly elected undergraduate representative, to his first meeting of the Council; and RECORDED a vote of thanks to Mr. Ed C.T. WONG, the outgoing undergraduate representative whose Council membership ended on May 3, 2018, for his participation in the work of the Council in the past year.

2. The Council RECORDED a vote of thanks to Professor Timothy E. O’LEARY, whose Council membership under the category “4 full-time teachers elected in accordance with regulations” would end concomitant with his leaving the University on August 20, 2018, for his participation in the work of the Council.

3. The Council also RECORDED a vote of thanks to Professor N.C. TIEN, who would retire from his Deanship in June upon the arrival of the new Dean, for his contributions to the University as Dean of Engineering since 2012.

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

   (a) the successful completion of the 2018 Symposium of C9+1 Universities in China hosted by the University earlier in April;
   
   (b) the top ranking of the EMBA program offered jointly by HKU, Columbia Business School, and London Business School amongst the 24 joint EMBA programs around the world in the recently released Quacquarelli Symonds EMBA Rankings 2018;
   
   (c) the visit of Professor Xiang ZHANG, President & Vice-Chancellor-designate, to the University in the second last week of April including his participation in a workshop with Deans/Associate Deans from the respective Faculties and nominated researchers, and his meeting with Senior Management Team members, all Deans, senior officers of the University and extended members of the HKU family;
   
   (d) the visit of the Senior Management Team and the Deans to the Liaison Office of the Central People’s Government in the HKSAR on April 26, 2018;
   
   (e) the visit of Professor James T.H. TANG, the new Secretary-General of UGC, to the University on May 3, 2018 and his meeting with all members of the Senior Management Team and the Deans’ representative;
the receipt of two TechConnect Global Innovation Awards by the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the TechConnect World Innovation Conference & Expo 2018; and the receipt of eight awards and medals by HKU at the 46th International Exhibition of Invention in Geneva, Switzerland, during April 11 to 15, 2018;

the recent communications with the Government about the future developments of the Prince Philip Dental Hospital and the Dental Faculty;

his attendance at the *Universitas 21 (U21)* Presidential Meetings and AGM in Melbourne from May 9 to 10, 2018;

the Honorary Degrees Congregation held on May 18 in which honorary degrees were conferred by the Chancellor upon Professor TANG Ching Wan, Dr. Jack MA Yun and Dr. David MONG Tak Yeung;

the meeting of the Chairman of UGC and Convenor of the UGC’s Sub-Group on Planning Exercise with HKU delegation to provide feedback on the University’s Planning Exercise Proposal; and

the forum on “Collaboration in Research & Innovation between Hong Kong and Mainland China” held by the Government on May 15, 2018 during which new policies to encourage research were announced.

5. The Council

(a) HEARD a presentation from Professor J.A. SPINKS, Director of Undergraduate Admissions, on university admissions; and NOTED in particular

(i) the wide range of student recruitment activities of the University in the areas of reputation enhancement, promotion, recruitment, processing of applications and issuing of offers, and the reporting and analysis of admissions data;

(ii) the application figures including the total application pool, the respective numbers of non-local overseas applications, Mainland National Joint College Entrance Examination (NJCEE) applications and Mainland non-NJCEE applications;

(iii) the admission standards of the University, including the admission average scores of HKDSE (or equivalent) students from 1998, the number and percentage of top students that HKU admitted, the cut-off scores for admission of HKDSE students, and the academic standard of non-local overseas enrolments; and

(iv) the various new student recruitment activities launched in 2017 and the opportunities and challenges in future recruitment exercises;

(b) further NOTED from Professor SPINKS information about the HeforShe IMPACT Champion Scholarships, the HKU-Cambridge Undergraduate Recruitment Scheme, and the admission of non-local students;
c) NOTED that despite the number of Mainland applicants who took the HKDSE this year had increased about three times in comparison to last year, they were still considered as non-local applicants (for tuition fees and student quota purposes) and would not affect the admission quota for local applicants; and

d) THANKED Professor SPINKS for making the presentation.

6. The Council

(a) HEARD a presentation from Professor C.M. LO, Hospital Chief Executive of the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital, on the progress report of the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital; and NOTED in particular

(i) the growth in the provision of services and clinical income of the Hospital; and its latest financial position;

(ii) the award of the “National 3A (三甲) Hospital Accreditation” and the extensive achievements of the Hospital as reflected in the Australian Council on Healthcare Standards periodic review;

(iii) the teaching and training initiatives of the Hospital, such as internship and exchange programmes for students, training for resident doctors, and cross-border cooperation in specialist training;

(iv) the different clinical areas of the Hospital which were included under the “Sanming Projects of Medicine (三名工程)” of Shenzhen Government; and

(v) the challenges and opportunities for the Hospital in Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, and the inclusion of the Hospital in the high level hospital “Summit Program (登峰計劃)” in Guangdong; and

(b) THANKED Professor LO for the presentation; and CONGRATULATED Professor LO and all staff of the Hospital for bringing the Hospital to this stage of development.

7. The Council APPROVED a recommendation of the Board of the Faculty of Education, supported by the Senate, that the Centre for Communication Disorders, a sub-division of studies and learning in the Faculty of Education, be disestablished with effect from June 1, 2018 or as soon as possible thereafter under the provisions of Section 8(3) of the Ordinance.

8. The Council RECEIVED a paper on the annual submission of the UGC Capital Programme; and ENDORSED the recommendation therein.

9. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Campus Development and Planning Committee, that agreement be given to the proposal from the Antiquities and Monuments Office of the Government for the exteriors of Fung Ping Shan Building, Eliot Hall and May Hall on the Main Campus to be declared as monuments under the Antiquities and Monuments Ordinance.
The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Nominations Committee,

(a) that Dr. Philip CHEN Nan Lok and Ms. Elaine LIU Yuk Ling be appointed as members of the Election Complaint Committee under the category “Two lay members from the Court” for a period of three years from May 30, 2018;

(b) that Mr. Edmond YIP Ka Shing 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 ending February 24, 2021;

(c) 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, 2018 to June 30, 2020, unless otherwise specified:

   Mr. E.T.M. CHEUNG (Law) (for the period August 1, 2018 to July 31, 2020)
   Dr. O.S.L. LEUNG (Business and Economics) (re-appointment)
   Dr. F.C.C. LING (Science) (re-appointment)
   Professor M. WANG (Engineering)
   Dr. G.T.C. WONG (Medicine);

(d) that the following be appointed as members of the Information Technology Policy Committee for a period of three years from May 30, 2018:

   (i) Professor A.G.O. YEH, under the category “A teacher who is a member of the Faculty of Architecture, Dentistry, Engineering, Medicine, or Science, appointed by the Council on the nomination of the President & Vice-Chancellor”; and

   (ii) Professor A. Lin GOODWIN, under the category “A teacher who is a member of the Faculty of Arts, Business & Economics, Education, Law, or Social Sciences, appointed by the Council on the nomination of the President & Vice-Chancellor”;

(e) that Ms. Jennifer CHEUNG Big Yun and Ms. Ivy TONG May Hing be re-appointed as members of the Robert Black College (RBC) Committee of Management under the category “The Fellows: Two members who are not employees or students of the University, appointed by the Council” for a period of three years from May 30, 2018; and

(f) that Ms. K.L. LYNCH be appointed as a member of the Staff Grievances Panel under the category “Other members appointed by the Council, at least one of them shall be a member of the Council” for a period of three years from May 30, 2018.

The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Graduate House Committee of Management, the lodging fees for Graduate House residents for 2018-19.
12. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Committee on Student Affairs, the lodging charges for 2018-19 for University-administered halls and student flats, and the Residential Colleges in Jockey Club Student Village III.

13. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Board of Directors of HKU SPACE, a proposal relating to the HKU SPACE Kowloon West Campus.

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