

## LINGNAN UNIVERSITY

### **A Summary of Discussions and the Decisions of the Council Meeting Held on 16 June 2014**

1. The meeting WELCOMED Professor LAU Chi-pang who rejoined the Council from 29 April 2014.
2. The meeting RECORDED a vote of thanks to Mr Allen YUNG Chan-lung whose term of office would expire on 31 July 2014.
3. The Council RECEIVED a report from the President on the recent activities of the University, including:
  - (a) The signing of memorandum of understanding respectively with two new partners, viz. Yamanashi Gakuin University which is a liberal arts college in Japan and Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University in South Africa, for five years from April 2014.
  - (b) The University has established the “AR Charitable Foundation Scholarship Scheme” for Risk and Insurance Management students with the generous donation from AR Charitable Foundation Limited. A launching ceremony was held at the University Club on campus on 24 April 2014. Four students were awarded the AR Charitable Foundation Scholarship, including one final year student who would pursue the Master in Science degree at Cass Business School in London.
  - (c) Professor Sophia Law, Associate Professor of Department of Visual Studies and Associate Director of Centre for Humanities Research (CHR) has received a Merit of Certificate under the Non-School Division of Award for Arts Education at the Hong Kong Arts Development Council Awards 2013.
  - (d) Professor Mary Wong Shuk-han’s collection of short stories, “Surviving Central” 《中環人》, won the 25<sup>th</sup> Popular Reading Award for Secondary School Students. Professor Mary Wong is Associate Professor of Department of Chinese and Director of CHR.
  - (e) Ms Sarah Song Yang, Social Sciences Year 1 student, has been awarded the second runner-up prize of the AIA Quest for Champion Communicator Contest 2014 – Pearl River Delta (PRD) Round and won the sixth place in the national final.
  - (f) A team of three Lingnan ICAC Ambassadors won the Eminence Award (first runner-up) and Best Presentation Award in the “i-Relay” Youth Integrity Project organised by ICAC. They were selected as one of the 11 finalists among 147 teams of tertiary students from Hong Kong, mainland China and overseas.
4. The Council NOTED that 96% of its external members have contributed to the University in the areas of fundraising, students’ career development, job opportunities and other activities.

5. The Council APPOINTED the following members to its standing committees:
  - (a) Mrs Edith CHAN NGAN Man-ling as Chairman of the Audit Committee with effect from 1 August 2014;
  - (b) Mr LI Kam-kee as a member of the Lingnan Education Organization Limited Donation Management Committee with effect from 1 August 2014; and
  - (c) Mr TSE Koonngang as Adviser to the Career Development Committee with immediate effect for a term of two years.
  
6. The Council APPROVED the following:
  - (a) the University's Draft Income and Expenditure Budget for 2014-15 for all Activities; the UGC Recurrent Grant Funded Activities; CC and LIFE.
  - (b) the new hostel fees in 2014-15 for all 2014-15 new student intakes, representing an increase of 5.26% for the new UGC-funded students and approximately 10% for the non-UGC postgraduate students.
  - (c) subject to the approval by the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council, all current University salary scales of UGC-funded staff be revised as proposed, with retrospective effect from 1 April 2014, incorporating the appropriate adjustments similar to those of the civil service pay adjustments.
  - (d) the conferment of honorary doctorates to three eminent candidates in recognition of their distinguished service and commitment to the Hong Kong community, and invaluable intellectual, social and cultural contributions to the society; and
  - (e) the conferment of honorary fellowships to six distinguished individuals in recognition of their career achievements and remarkable contributions to the community.
  
7. The Council NOTED the general situation of the progress/updates of the following building projects on campus:
  - (a) the Jockey Club New Hall;
  - (b) the Simon and Eleanor Kwok Building, Wong Hoo Chuen Hall & Wu Jieh Yee Hall;
  - (c) the covered student activities area between the Amenities Building and the Dorothy Y.L. Wong Building (Skylight Project);
  - (d) the footbridge linking the Patrick Lee Wan Keung Academic Building and indoor sports complex to the existing public footbridge;
  - (e) upgrading of IT infrastructure for student hostels;
  - (f) improvement works to fitness rooms and changing rooms at indoor sports complex and extension of spectator stand at outdoor sports ground;
  - (g) improvement works to the existing disabled lift at the Chan Tak Tai Auditorium, and re-arrangement of the Fong Sum Wood Library's study area at 2/F and 3/F of Patrick Lee Wan Keung Academic Building and Wong Administration Building; and

(h) renovation works to the northern and southern vehicular entrances of the University.

8. The Council also NOTED the first Council meeting for the 2014-15 academic year is scheduled for Monday 13 October 2014 at 2:30 p.m. followed by the Honorary Fellowship Presentation Ceremony to be held at 5:30 p.m.

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