LINGNAN UNIVERSITY

A Summary of Discussions and the Decisions of the Council Meeting Held on 21 November 2011

1. New Members of the Council

The meeting WELCOMED Mr Ernest CHIU Tin-chung who attended the Council meeting for the first time.

2. The meeting ADOPTED the following:

- (a) revisions on "Regulations and Procedures Governing Undertakings to Be Signed on Behalf of Lingnan University"; and
- (b) "Expectations of Lingnanians" for Council Members, Court Members and Honorary Court Members to engage their full support to the development of Lingnan, to advocate the mission of Lingnan and to help Lingnan realizing its goals.

3. Memberships of the Standing Committees of the Council

The meeting APPROVED the following updated/or revised membership with immediate effect:

(a) Christian Activities Committee

Chairman :	Dr CHAN LAM Lai-bing, Alison
Vice-Chairman :	Mr NG Kwai-wah, Anthony
Member :	Mr CHEN Yang-chung, Roy
Co-opted member :	Dr KWOK Man-cho

(b) Institutional Advancement Committee

Chairman :	Mr MA Ching-hang, Patrick
Member :	President, ex-officio
	Mr AUYANG Pak-hong, Bernard
	Mr CHEN Yang-chung, Roy
	Mr CHOI Siu-chow, Tony
	Prof IP Yuk-keung, Albert
	Ms KAO Ching-chi, Sophia
	Dr LEE Mui Yee-ching, Jennie
	Mr SZE, Irons
	Ms TANG Shuk-tak, Karen
	Ms YEUNG Wing-yan, Wendy
	Mr YUEN Kwong-ming, Roger
Co-opted members :	Ms HUNG Siu-lin, Katherine
_	Mr NG Leung-sing
	Dr WAI Kee-kau

4. **Finance and Audit Matters**

The meeting APPROVED the following:

- (a) the draft audited Financial Statements of the University for the year ended 30 June 2011;
- (b) the draft Annual Returns on the Use of UGC Funds for the year ended 30 June 2011;
- (c) the draft audited Financial Statements of the Community College at Lingnan University for the year ended 30 June 2011;
- (d) the revised refund policy and fees payment for research postgraduate (RPg) programmes to take effect from the admission exercise for 2012 intake of RPg students; and
- (e) the revised terms of reference and membership composition of the Finance Committee as follows:

Terms of reference

- a) To advise and make recommendations to the Council on all matters within the jurisdiction of the Council which have important financial implications, with special attention to the following:
 - (i) the regulations and management of the finances of the University, the raising and investment of funds and the facilities for borrowing moneys for any purpose;
 - (ii) the preparation, amendment and final submission of an annual estimate of recurrent expenditures for Council's approval and the monitoring of spending against approved budget;
 - (iii) the submission to the Council financial statements including statements of income and expenditure, and balance sheet for the past financial year;
 - (iv) the allocation of financial resources amongst the academic and administrative and other conceivable areas of activities of the University, and the monitoring of the usage of such funds where appropriate; and
 - (v) the setting of the levels of fees charged to the students attending UGC-funded academic programmes and courses offered by the University.
- b) To monitor and oversee any superannuation and provident fund schemes as agreed upon by the Council.
- c) To form sub-committees and working groups when necessary to handle functions prescribed in a).

Membership Composition

Chairman : Treasurer of the Council

Members	:	Four to six other members to be appointed by the Council. In addition, the Committee will have the power to co-opt up to two additional members subject to ratification by the Council
		President, ex-officio

Secretary : Associate Vice-President and Comptroller

5. Staffing Committee Matters

The meeting APPROVED the following:

- (a) revision on the University ratio of senior academic staff;
- (b) revision on the substantiation ratio for academic staff; and
- (c) revisions on the income sharing arrangement of outside practice activities.

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