## LINGNAN UNIVERSITY

## A Summary of Discussions and Decisions of the Council Meeting Held on 17 February 2020

- 1. The Council WELCOMED Ms LEUNG Ka Lai Carrie and Ms GAW Christina for attending the Council meeting for the first time.
- 2. The Council RECEIVED a report from the President on the activities of the University, including:
  - (a) The University has recently established new agreements on academic cooperation with Central Michigan University (the US), Dongguan University of Technology (China), Hiroshima University (Japan), Hubei University of Economics (China), International University of Grand-Bassam (Côte d'Ivoire), José Rizal University (Philippines), Nagoya University of Foreign Studies (Japan), NEOMA Business School (France), Oberlin College & Conservatory, Ohio (the US), Örebro University (Sweden), Siena College (the US), The American University in Cairo (Egypt), Università degli Studi di Perugia (Italy) and VNU-Central Institute for Natural Resources and Environmental Studies, Vietnam National University, Hanoi (Vietnam).
  - (b) The University has renewed inter-institutional agreements of cooperation with Erasmus University Rotterdam (the Netherlands), Fontys School of HRM and Psychology, Fontys University of Applied Sciences, Eindhoven, (the Netherlands), Jeju National University (Korea), School of Humanities, University of Mannheim (Germany) and Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi (Italy).
  - (c) The Senate approved the introduction of the following new programmes/concentration from the 2020-21 academic year (except otherwise specified):
    - i. MPhil in Environmental Science Programme;
    - ii. Master of Cities and Governance Programme;
    - iii. a new concentration of China-Africa Studies leading to the award of an Master of Arts in International Affairs (China-Africa Studies);
    - iv. Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Social Sciences Programme from Term 2, the 2019-20 academic year;
    - v. Bachelor of Social Sciences (Hons) in Business Psychology Programme; and
    - vi. Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Translation Programme for senior-year admittees.
  - (d) The Senate also approved the introduction of a cooperative education programme between the Rutgers Business School of the State University of New Jersey and the Faculty of Business of Lingnan University (LU) from

- the 2020-21 academic year, whereby inspiring BBA students of LU will be able to receive an undergraduate degree from LU and a master's from Rutgers over a period of 5 years of study.
- (e) The University has reached agreements respectively with the University of Manchester and the University of Durham in the UK for developing PhD student exchange, research collaboration and dual PhD programmes.
- (f) The University Cross Country team won the champion in the Men's Tertiary group in the Hong Kong Cross Country Championship 2019.
- (g) In the Tertiary Rugby Invitational Sevens 2020, the University Men's Rugby Team won the 1<sup>st</sup> runner-up in the Cup Finals, and the University Women's Rugby Team won the 1<sup>st</sup> runner-up in the Shield Finals.

## 4. The Council RECEIVED the following:

- (a) Confirmed minutes of the Senate meetings held on 28 October 2019,
- (b) Confirmed minutes and a summary of discussions and decisions of the meeting of the Board of Governors of the Community College at Lingnan University (CC) and Lingnan Institute of Further Education (LIFE) held on 25 September 2019;
- (c) Report from the Career Development Committee,
- (d) Report from the Finance Committee,
- (e) Report from the Institutional Advancement Committee.
- 5. The Council RECEIVED the Report from the Campus Development and Management Committee and NOTED the latest progress/updates of the various building projects, *inter alia*, the "Lingnan Hub" project and installation of internal lift system and upgrade of the IT infrastructure and addition of mezzanine level for the user space and a new 24 hours learning area at the Fong Sum Wood Library.

## 6. The Council APPROVED the following:

- (a) the appointment of Dr CHAN Wai Kai Benjamin as a member of the Board of Governors of the CC and LIFE with effect from 27 February 2020 for a term of two years,
- (b) the new student intake proposal of LIFE for the academic year 2020-21 as endorsed by the Board of Governors of the CC and LIFE,
- (c) the proposed revisions to the management and governance structure of LIFE as endorsed by the Board of Governors of the CC and LIFE,
- (d) the 2019-20 Income and Expenditure Revised Forecast, and
- (e) the re-appointment of Mr NG Leung Sing and Mr SAM Chien Man Henry as co-opted members of the Institutional Advancement Committee with immediate effect for another term of two years.

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