

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

COUNCIL

The following matters have been discussed at the Council meeting held on July 28, 2009:

1. The Council CONFIRMED that the University accepted the land grant at the ex-premises of Kwong Yuet Tong Excel Foundation Primary School in Wah Fu by the Education Bureau (EDB) on a ten-year basis and the related interest-free loan of \$40.344M from the EDB for the provision of post-secondary education, on the understanding that properties purchased by HKU SPACE would be placed as security to the EDB.
2. The Council RECEIVED a paper on the University's Strategic Development 2009-2014, together with the draft document entitled *Strategic Development 2009-2014*; HEARD a presentation from the Vice-Chancellor and Pro-Vice-Chancellor J.G. MALPAS on the item; and was INVITED to send in their comments on the draft document to the Registrar so that the draft document could be revised by taking into account comments made by members and presented to the Senate for consideration in September 2009 with a view to submitting the final document to the Council for approval thereafter.
3. The Council APPROVED the 2010 UGC Capital Programme for submission to the University Grants Committee.
4. The Council RECEIVED the income and expenditure forecast on block grant activities for 2009-10; and APPROVED the 2009-10 budget estimate.
5. The Council RESOLVED, under the provisions of Statute IX.1, that
 - (a) Professor J.M.M. CHAN be re-appointed as Dean of Law for a further term of three years from July 1, 2010;
 - (b) Professor S. KWOK be re-appointed as Dean of Science for a further term of five years from February 1, 2011; and
 - (c) Professor K.H. LOUIE be re-appointed as Dean of Arts for a further term of five years from November 24, 2010.
6. The Council APPROVED the establishment of the Centre for the Humanities and Medicine as a sub-division of studies and learning under the provisions of Section 8(3) of the Ordinance for an initial period of five years.
7. The Council APPROVED proposals from the Senior Management Team, supported by the Committee for the Senior Management Team and the Deans and the Human Resource Policy Committee, for enabling Professors and incumbent Chair Professors to apply for an extension beyond retirement age

upon their attaining age 55; and AGREED that the Senior Management be invited to study in future the possibility of extending the implementation of the proposal to other groups of academic staff.

8. The Council RECEIVED from the Audit Committee its annual report for the year 2008-09, and the response of the University Management on the report.
9. The Council APPROVED, for submission to the Court, a recommendation of the Senate that Statute III “Degrees and Other Academic Distinctions” be amended by the inclusion of the following titles in the respective paragraphs thereof:
 - (a) in paragraph 1(a)

“Bachelor of Science in Quantitative Finance (理學士(計量金融))”;
and
 - (b) in paragraph 1(c)

“Doctor of Nursing (護理學博士)”
10. The Council APPROVED a recommendation of the Board of the Faculty of Medicine, supported by the Senate, that the Committee of Management of the School of Chinese Medicine be disestablished with effect from July 1, 2009.
11. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Nominations Committee, that Mr. Bosco C.K. FUNG be re-appointed as a member of the Campus Development and Planning Committee for the period September 25, 2009 to September 24, 2012.
12. The Council NOTED that the Senate had, in accordance with the provisions of Statute VIA.1, indicated its support to the Council’s resolution of inviting Professor R.Y.C. WONG to continue as the Deputy Vice-Chancellor for up to one year from September 1, 2009.
13. The Council NOTED that the Finance Committee had approved that the membership composition of the Investments Sub-Committee (a Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee) be expanded by amending the membership category of “Up to six members (including the Chairman), appointed by the Finance Committee, who may or may not be members of the Finance Committee or the Council” to “Up to seven members (including the Chairman), appointed by the Finance Committee, who may or may not be members of the Finance Committee or the Council”; and that Mr. David LUI, Vice Chairman of Bank of Communications Fund Management Company Ltd. and Non Executive Vice Chairman of Schroders Fund Management HK Ltd., be appointed as a new member of the Investments Sub-Committee under the revised membership category.