

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

COUNCIL

The following is a list of matters discussed at the Council meeting held on September 27, 2011:

1. The Council
 - (a) RECEIVED a report from the Vice-Chancellor on the recent activities of the University, including
 - (i) the results of the QS Ranking of World Universities announced earlier; and
 - (ii) the various events celebrating the Centenary of the University, including the official release of commemorative stamps with the theme “Centenary of The University of Hong Kong” on September 15, 2011; and the luncheon organized by the Alumni Chapter in the United Kingdom on September 24, 2011.
2. The Council APPROVED a recommendation of the Committee for the Selection of Professional and Administrative Staff that under the provisions of Statute X2(a), Ms. Sara LO be appointed as the Director of Finance-Designate with effect from October 1, 2011, and as the Director of Finance effective from July 1, 2012.
3. The Council APPROVED the proposal on the Review of the Tenure and Promotion System for professoriate staff to take effect from as soon as possible, noting that consultation would be made on the detailed guidelines and the supporting documentation, as well as the transitional arrangement in respect of those tenure/promotion applications which were being processed under the existing system.
4. The Council
 - (a) RECEIVED a report from the Vice-Chancellor on the personal data protection incident in relation to the Faculty of Social Sciences on April 19, 2011;
 - (b) NOTED that the Investigation Committee, set up by the Vice-Chancellor and chaired by Professor A.B.M. TSUI, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, had completed its work and submitted its investigation report to the Vice-Chancellor; and
 - (c) HEARD the Vice-Chancellor brief members on the findings of the Investigation Committee and its recommendations, in that the Investigation Committee had made seven recommendations, which he had endorsed and designated respective parties for follow-up actions to

ensure that similar incident would not happen again; and the University would provide the full report of the Investigation Committee to the Office of the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data, as requested.

5. The Council

- (a) NOTED that the Review Panel, set up by the Council to review issues arising from the Centenary Ceremony on August 18, 2011 and convened by Mr. Lester HUANG, had been constituted with the following members:

- Professor C.L.W. CHAN, Si Yuan Professor in Health and Social Work in the Faculty of Social Sciences
- Professor J.M.M. CHAN, Dean of Faculty of Law
- Mr. P.Y. CHEUNG, Council Member
- Mr. Simon S.C. FUNG (BSSc 1978), previously Executive Chief Editor of Ming Pao
- Mr. C.F. MAN, Council Member
- Mr. Patrick C.S. WONG (BCivilEng 1998), President of The Hong Kong University Students' Union (1997)
- Mr. ZHANG Yi, Chairman of the Postgraduate Student Association;

and that it had held its first meeting on September 17, 2011;

- (b) further NOTED that despite the University's repeated attempt to invite The Hong Kong University Students' Union (HKUSU) for nomination of an undergraduate student to be a member of the Review Panel, the HKUSU had declined the invitation; and in this connection, RECEIVED a copy of the open letter of September 18, 2011 from the HKUSU, reaffirming their stance of not nominating an undergraduate student as a member of the Panel and requesting that their concerns and requests be addressed; and
- (c) AGREED that the Chairman would reply to the HKUSU, conveying the views of the Council and appealing to the HKUSU again to nominate a representative to the Review Panel.

6. The Council

- (a) HEARD a presentation by Professor R.T.H. CHIN, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, on risk management in respect of the 4-Year Curriculum and the admission of an additional cohort of students in 2012; and
- (b) THANKED Professor CHIN for the presentation; and Professor G.W.K. TANG, Chairman of the Risk Assessment Panel set up by the Policy Group on 4-Year Curriculum, for the Risk Assessment Report.