

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

COUNCIL

The following are matters discussed at the Council special meeting held on November 7, 2011:

1. The Council

- (a) NOTED from the Chairman that this special meeting was convened to consider the process and arrangement for the search and selection of the next Vice-Chancellor following the decision of Professor Lap-Chee TSUI, the current Vice-Chancellor, on not seeking a further term of appointment upon the expiry of his present term of appointment on August 31, 2012, and to discuss the necessary arrangement for the transition period;
- (b) RESOLVED unanimously that an Ad Hoc Group be set up with the following general terms of reference and membership composition:

Terms of reference

- To consult staff, students, alumni and other relevant stakeholders of the University on the procedures and criteria for the selection of the next Vice-Chancellor.
- To draw up proposals on the procedures and criteria for the appointment of the next Vice-Chancellor in light of the comments and suggestions received, for the consideration of the Council.

Membership composition

- A lay Council member (Convenor)
 - Chairman of the Human Resource Policy Committee
 - A Faculty Dean (to be nominated by the Faculty Deans among themselves)
 - Two academic members of the Senate, other than the Faculty Deans and Senior Management Team members (one professorial member and one non-professorial member, to be elected from among their own number)
 - A non-academic staff member (to be elected from among their own number)
 - An alumnus/alumna (to be nominated by Convocation of the University)
 - A student member (to be nominated by the undergraduate and postgraduate student bodies);
- (c) also RESOLVED unanimously, on the motion of Dr. Rosanna Y.M. WONG, seconded by Mrs. Margaret M.Y. LEUNG KO, that Dr. Paul M.Y. CHOW, Treasurer of the University, be appointed Convenor of the Ad Hoc Group;

- (d) further RESOLVED unanimously that to facilitate a smooth transition of the University's leadership, Professor Lap-Chee TSUI be invited to continue to serve as the Vice-Chancellor after the end of his current contract on August 31, 2012 and before the arrival of the new Vice-Chancellor for a period of up to 18 months; and NOTED through a telephone conversation with Professor TSUI by the Secretary that Professor TSUI had kindly indicated his agreement to the proposed arrangement to help the University to ensure a smooth transition to the arrival of the next Vice-Chancellor;
- (e) RECORDED its gratitude to the Vice-Chancellor for putting the University's interest first and for offering himself to help to ensure a smooth transition to the arrival of the next Vice-Chancellor; and
- (f) REAFFIRMED that all members should abide by the code of confidentiality in respect of the discussion and transaction of business at its meetings.

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