

LINGNAN UNIVERSITY

A Summary of Discussions and the Decisions of the Council Meeting Held on 17 October 2016

1. The Council WELCOMED a new Member, Ms Felicia WAI Sik-yin for attending the Council meeting for the first time.
2. The Council RECORDED a vote of thanks to three lay Council members, viz. Dr Frank LAW Sai-kit whose term of office was completed on 31 July 2016, Mr Robert DORFMAN and Ms Wendy YEUNG Wing-yan whose term of office will be completed on 21 October 2016.
3. The Council RECEIVED a report from the President on the activities of the University, including:
 - (a) The University has signed inter-institutional agreements of cooperation with Aberystwyth University (UK), Edge Hill University (UK) and the Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana (Slovenia) and Warsaw School of Economics (Poland).
 - (b) The University has signed an agreement for a student exchange programme with Nanjing University (China), Nanjing Normal University (China), Shanghai International Studies University (China), Swansea University (UK) and University of Hertfordshire Higher Education Corporation (UK).
 - (c) For postgraduate student exchange, agreements have been signed with Peking University (China), the University of Nottingham Ningbo China (China), the South China University of Technology (China), the Department of Social Security and Risk Management, Zhejiang University (China), Fu Jen Catholic University (Taiwan), National Chengchi University (Taiwan) and the Department of Social Policy and Social Work, University of York (UK).
 - (d) In addition, the University signed a memorandum of understanding with the Chung-Ang University (Korea), University of Tokyo (Japan). An agreement with OOO LT, the contractor of the summer school of Saint-Petersburg State University of Economics (Russia).
 - (e) The University has renewed inter-institutional/departmental agreements of cooperation with Colegio Universitario De Estudios Financieros (Spain), Framingham State University (USA), Faculty of Economics & Business, University of Groningen (the Netherlands), Helsinki Metropolia University of Applied Sciences (Finland), Toulouse Business School (France), Soongsil University (Korea), University of Asia and the Pacific (Philippines) and Willamette University (USA).
 - (f) The agreements for academic exchange have also been renewed with University of Guelph (Canada) and Universidad Antonio De Nebrija and Institutos Nebrija (Spain).
 - (g) According to the results of the QS University Rankings: Asia 2016 announced in mid-June, Lingnan's ranking surged by 33 places to the position of 109 among Asia universities.

- (h) Four Lingnan students were awarded the Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarships in recognition of their outstanding academic and personal achievements.
 - (i) Two Lingnan student teams won awards in the “Challenge Cup” National Competition – Hong Kong Regional Final, Hong Kong University Student Innovation and Entrepreneurship Competition 2016 organised by the Hong Kong New Generation Cultural Association.
 - (j) Lingnan Men’s Basketball Team won the 1st Runner-up against the City University of Hong Kong at the AXA League Inter-universities Basketball Tournament 2016 held at the Southorn Stadium 11 September, 2016.
 - (k) To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the University’s re-establishment in Hong Kong in 2017, an Organising Committee has been set up for planning and preparation work for the year-long celebrations which is chaired by the Vice-President and its membership includes representatives from the Court and Council, Lingnan Education Organization Limited, Lingnan University Alumni Association (LUAA), Faculties, some administrative units and the Students’ Union.
4. The Council APPOINTED/RE-APPOINTED the following members to the standing committees concerned:
- (a) Campus Development and Management Committee
 - appointment of Mr Ernest CHIU Tin-chung as Vice-Chairman with effect from 22 October 2016; and
 - (b) Career Development Committee
 - appointment of Mr Armstrong LEE Hon-cheung as Chairman with effect from 22 October 2016; and
 - (c) Ethics and Discipline Committee
 - appointment of Mr Martin DOWNEY as Convenor with effect from 22 October 2016
 - (d) Finance Committee
 - appointment of Ms Felicia WAI Sik-yin as a member with immediate effect
 - (e) Lingnan Education Organization Limited (LEO) Donation Management Committee
 - appointment of Ms Felicia WAI Sik-yin as Chairman with immediate effect
 - (f) Staffing Committee
 - appointment of Dr Thelma TONG as Vice-Chairman with effect from 22 October 2016
 - (g) Board of Governors of the Community College at Lingnan University and Lingnan Institute of Further Education (BoG)
 - appointment of Ms Kelly CHEUNG Hoi-ling and Ms CHOI Yuk-ling as members of BoG under the category “Two representatives elected from among the full-time Associate Degree Programmes teaching staff” with effect from 24 October 2016 to 23 October 2018;
 - re-appointment of Dr Tommy YEUNG Kai-yin as a member of BoG with effect from 20 December 2016 to 19 December 2018; and
 - appointment of Professor Kenneth LAW Wing-kin, as a member of BoG with immediate effect for a term of two years.

- (h) Upon the appointments of two new members to be announced by the Government, they would be invited to join the Campus Development and Management Committee/Career Development Committee and Institutional Advancement Committee with their individual appointment to the committee concerned to be made in consultation with the Chairmen of the Council and respective committees.
5. The Council RECEIVED the Report from the Campus Development and Management Committee and NOTED the latest progress/updates of the following building projects on campus:
- (a) 3+3+4 Academic System (the Simon and Eleanor Kwok Building, Wong Hoo Chuen Hall & Wu Jieh Yee Hall);
 - (b) the Jockey Club New Hall;
 - (c) extension works to the Spectator Stand at the Outdoor Sports Ground;
 - (d) improvement works to the existing disabled lift at the Chan Tak Tai Auditorium;
 - (e) re-arrangement of the Fong Sum Wood Library's study area at 2/F and 3/F of Patrick Lee Wan Keung Academic Building and Wong Administration Building;
 - (f) the design of the new covered walkway connecting the existing Jockey Club Hall covered walkway to the entrance of Student Function Hall;
 - (g) improvement works to the student bedrooms, common corridors, bathroom and lavatory facilities of the student hostels;
 - (h) improvement works to the existing finishes of the Pavement along all covered walkway, Wing On Plaza and walkway along emergency vehicular access with the Main Campus; and
 - (i) replacement works of the Chiller units, chilled water circulation system & building management system for the mechanical ventilation and air-conditioning installation.
6. The Council RECEIVED the following:
- (a) Report from the Appeals Committee;
 - (b) Report from the Audit Committee;
 - (c) Report from the Career Development Committee;
 - (d) Report from the Christian Activities Committee;
 - (e) Report from the Finance Committee;
 - (f) Report from the Institutional Advancement Committee;
 - (g) Report from the Review Panel on the University Ordinance;
 - (h) Report from the Staffing Committee; and
 - (i) Report from the Task Force on the University Governance.
7. The Council APPROVED the following:
- (a) the proposed revision to the Power and Duties of the Senate;
 - (b) the revised terms of reference and membership composition of the Finance Committee;
 - (c) the draft audited Financial Statements of the University for the year ended 30 June 2016;

- (d) the draft Annual Return on the use of UGC funds for the year ended 30 June 2016; and
- (e) the draft audited Financial Statements of the Community College at Lingnan University for the year ended 30 June 2016.

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