

## Matters resolved by the Council at its 122<sup>nd</sup> Meeting held on 22 March 2024

### Present

Dr David WONG Yau Kar, GBS, JP	Chairman
Dr Terence CHAN Ho Wah	Deputy Chairman
Ms Imma LING Kit Sum	Treasurer
Mrs Joanna LI LAU Lai Hing, MH	
Mr Kennedy LIU Tat Yin	
Ms Winnie NG, JP	
Ms Jennifer YEUNG	
Mr Armstrong LEE Hon Cheung	
Prof LUI Hon Kwong	
Prof Ben YOUNG	
Mr KWOK Wing Keung, BBS, MH, JP	
Mr Willie LUI Pok Shek, JP	
Mr Kelvin YAU Siu Hung, MH	
Ms Louise SO Yuen Yi	
Dr Sammy HUI King Fai	
Prof Eric TSANG Po Keung	
Prof Susanna YEUNG Siu Sze	
Dr Jae Hyung PARK	
Ms Teresa POON Sin Yi	
Miss Emily CHEUNG Yu Yi	
Prof John LEE Chi Kin, JP	President
Prof May CHENG May Hung	Vice President (Academic)
Prof Chetwyn CHAN Che Hin	Vice President (Research and Development)

### Member and Secretary

Ms Sarah WONG Man Yee	Vice President (Administration)
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### Apologies

Mr Eric YEUNG Chuen Sing, JP  
Dr Maxwell HO Chun Sing

### In Attendance

Dr Mark CHOW Man Kong, Associate Vice President (Institutional Advancement)  
Prof Ken YUNG Kin Lam, Associate Vice President (Research)  
Prof LI Wai Keung, Dean, Faculty of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences  
Prof Bruce MACFARLANE, Dean, Faculty of Education and Human Development  
Prof John ERNI, Dean, Faculty of Humanities  
Prof Michelle GU Ming Yue, Dean, Graduate School  
Ms KUNG Shuk Mei, Director of Alumni Affairs and Development  
Ms Helen GAI Hui Xia, Director of Communications and Engagement  
Mr LAU Wai Tat, Director of Estates

Mr Edmond KUO Hoi, Director of Finance  
Ms Cindy CHEUNG Yuen Lai, Director of Human Resources  
Mr Raymond HO Lai Man, Associate Director of Estates  
Mr Armen LAU Kit Man, Adviser to the President (Quality Assurance and Risk Management)  
Ms Vivien LIU Wai Yuen, Council Secretarial and Administration Manager  
Miss Angel TSE Hei Tung, Council Secretarial and Administration Officer

## **Observer**

Ms Winnie LI Wai Ling, Human Resources Officer, Human Resources Office

### **1. Welcome**

The Council welcomed Ms Winnie LI to join the Meeting as Observer.

### **2. Report from the Honorary Awards Committee**

The Council approved the list of recommended candidates for presentation of honorary fellowships and conferment of honorary degrees for 2024, the revised *Guidelines & Mechanism for the Honorary Fellowship Scheme*, the revised *Guidelines & Mechanism for the Honorary Degree Scheme* and the revised terms of reference of the Honorary Awards Committee.

### **3. Report from the Staffing Committee**

The Council noted the major Human Resources issues that the Staffing Committee had approved / endorsed / noted at its meeting held on 27 February 2024, including:

- (a) endorsement of the re-engagement of a staff member beyond the extended retirement age;
  - (b) approval of the re-engagement of two Professors, the promotion of two Associate Professors to Professors and the appointment of a Chair Professor;
  - (c) noting of the Management Report on Staffing, the latest HR initiatives, staff training and development activities;
- and approved the re-engagement of a staff member beyond the extended retirement age.

### **4. Report from the Audit Committee**

The Council noted the major matters that had been noted / considered by the Audit Committee at its meeting held on 26 February 2024, including Internal Audit Report 2022/23 – IT and Business Administration – Asset and Space Management and Internal Audit Report 2023/24 – Staff Life Cycle – Attendance and Leave; and approved the award of contracts for the Provision of the Statutory Audit Service and the Provision of the Internal Audit Service.

### **5. Report from The Education University of Hong Kong Foundation**

The Council approved the re-appointment of Dr Allen SHI as Member of the Board of Stewards of The EdUHK Foundation for another term of three years.

## **6. Enhanced Governance Disclosures and Proposed Revisions to the Standing Orders**

The Council noted the enhanced governance disclosures and approved the proposed revisions to the Standing Orders.

## **7. Report on the Progress Updates of the Strategic Plan for 2025-2031**

The Council noted the progress of the Strategic Plan for 2025-2031 and endorsed the proposed tagline “Education Futures@EdUHK (教育未來@教大)” for the Strategic Plan for 2025-2031.

## **8. Report from the Campus Development Committee**

The Council noted the major items / issues that were noted / discussed / endorsed / approved by the Campus Development Committee at its meeting held on 1 March 2024, including:

- (a) update on the construction of New Academic Building and the progress of AA&I projects; and
- (b) approval of one minor works request, as well as approval and prioritisation of four AA&I project proposals for submission to UGC for 2025-2026 and the award of contracts.

## **9. Report from the Finance Committee**

The Council noted the major items / issues that had been noted / endorsed / approved by the Finance Committee at its meeting held on 28 February 2024, including:

- (a) Report from the Purchase Committee, Report on Approved Single Tender, Report from the CDC, Management Report and Financial Analysis – December 2023, Progress Report on University-wide Strategic Initiatives in 2023/24, Report for The EdUHK School of Continuing and Professional Education Limited – December 2023, Periodic Reports to the Finance Committee, Report from the Investment Sub-committee and the Superannuation and MPF Schemes Management Sub-Committee, and Progress Report on Introduction of New Payment Methods for University fees collection;
- (b) endorsement of award of statutory audit service contract and internal audit service contract; and
- (c) approval of award of contracts for Provision of One-stop Travel Arrangement and Services.

## **10. Report from the Academic Board**

The Council noted the major issues that were noted / deliberated / approved by the Academic Board between December 2023 and February 2024, including the integration of Department of Cultural and Creative Arts from the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences into the Faculty of Humanities.

## **11. Senior Management Report**

The Council noted the major activities and development of the University including:

- (a) Overall Developments
  - Honorary Professorship appointments;

- establishment of The National Security and Legal Education Research Centre;
  - 30th Anniversary Walkathon Fundraising & Education Day, the first ever “Caring for Life” Day, Spring Media Reception and EdUHK Alumni Homecoming 2024;
  - presentation of Nissin Foods (Hong Kong) Charity Fund Scholarship 2023/24;
  - donations from Sik Sik Yuen and The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust; and
  - signing of a strategic cooperation agreement with Nanjing University;
- (b) Academic Developments
- approval of proposal applications of 30th Anniversary events / activities;
  - the International Congress on Educational Futures 2024;
  - lectures on National Security given by renowned external guest speakers; Values Education Conference, and Learning and Teaching @EdUHK Festival 2024;
  - admissions figures for 2024/25 and updates on special admission schemes, non-local undergraduate admissions and Taught Postgraduate admissions; and
  - updates on the QAC Third Audit Cycle;
- (c) Research Developments
- research lecture series by EdUHK scholars listed among the World’s Top 2% Scientists;
  - preparation for Research Assessment Exercise 2026;
  - receipt of awards at the 3rd Asia Innovation and Invention Exhibition, and receipt of awards by EdUHK entrepreneur teams in HK Techathon+ 2024;
- (d) Student Activities and Support Services
- new management practice of student-led activities;
  - adoption of an “Intervention by All” approach to support students’ mental health; and
  - approval of administrative initiatives on student halls and launch of the new Hall Life Education framework;
- (e) Administrative Developments
- actions to further strengthen cyber security and control of infrastructure;
  - enhancements on the Banner Admissions System and rollout of the new Outside Classroom Learning Experience System;
  - upgrade of the business intelligence tool of the Academic Management Information System;
  - integration of Qualtrics and the Bank of China’s payment gateway;
  - updates on AA&I projects approved for 2022-23 and New Academic Building project; and
  - implementation of the Vehicle Registration Plate Recognition System.

## **12. University Accountability Agreement Annual Report 2023-24**

The Council noted the University Accountability Agreement Annual Report 2023-24.

## **13. Vote of Thanks**

The Council recorded a vote of thanks to Prof LUI Hon Kwong and Miss Emily CHEUNG for their outstanding services and contributions to the University and the Council in the past six years and one year respectively.