

# **THE HONG KONG INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS**

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## **COUNCIL MEETING**

**The 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Session 2009/2010 was held on Thursday, 13 May 2010 at 5:00pm at the HKIE Headquarters**

Present	:	Ir Dr Andrew CHAN Ka Ching	President
		Ir Peter Y WONG	Immediate Past President
		Ir Prof Reuben CHU Pui Kwan	Vice President
		Ir Dr CHAN Fuk Cheung	Vice President
		Ir CHOY Kin Kuen	Vice President
		Ir John CHAI Sung Veng	
		Ir Frank CHAN Fan	
		Mr Leo CHAN Hei Yim	
		Ir CHAN Yun Cheung	
		Ir Prof CHEW Weng Cho	
		Ir CHOI Chun Ming	
		Ir CHOW Wai Keung	
		Ir Colin CHUNG Chi Leong	
		Ir LAM King Kong	
		Ir Albert LEUNG Chi Kong	
		Ir Joseph LEUNG Chi Ming	
		Ir LI Siu Lam	
		Ir Dr Edward LO Wai Chau	
		Ir Dr Louis LOCK Fat Shing	
		Ir Kenneth LUN Chi Leung	
		Mr Otto MAK Wai Hung	
		Ir Eva MAK Yee Wa	
		Ir Prof Joseph MAK Yiu Wing	
		Ir Prof Paul PANG Tat Choi	
		Ir William TANG Chung Ming	
		Ir Dr Aaron TONG Wai Kwok	
		Ir Prof Lawrence WU Chi Man	
		Ir YIM Kin Ping	
		Ir Willis YU Wai Le	
		Ir Dr Joseph CHOW Ming Kuen	Honorary Member
		Ir Dr LO Wai Kwok	Honorary Member
		Ir Dr Raymond HO Chung Tai	Observer, Legislative Councillor (Engineering)
		Mrs Monica YUEN	Secretary
In attendance	:	Mr Albert CHOW	Director of Qualifications
		Ms Fanny LAM	Minuting secretary

By invitation : Ir HO Kwong Wai Chairman, F & I Committee

Apologies : Ir Andros CHAN Ling Ming  
Ir Joseph CHOI Kin Hung  
Ir Prof Oliver CHOY Chiu Sing  
Ir Jerry LIU Tso Wing  
Ir Patrick NG Wai Ming  
Ir Kenneth SHE Siu Kuen  
Ir SIU Yin Wai  
Ir Timothy SUEN Kai Cheung  
Ir Helen SZETO Suet Man  
Ir TAI Tak Him  
Ir Dr Samson TAM Wai Ho  
Ir Dr TSO Che Wah  
Ir WONG Chi Kwong  
Ir WONG Chiu Yau  
Ir WONG Kwok Lai  
Ir Andrew WONG Man Wai  
Ir YUEN Pak Leung  
Ir Patrick YUEN Se Kit

## ACTION MINUTES

### Action

#### **6.1 To consider vacancies on the Council for Session 2010/2011 and to elect the new President**

The meeting noted the vacancies on the Council for Session 2010/2011 as set out in the Paper and the updated information on Council Members (Division).

Proposed by Ir William TANG Chung Ming and seconded by Ir Albert LEUNG Chi Kong, the meeting resolved unanimously that Ir Prof Reuben CHU Pui Kwan be elected as the President for Session 2010/2011.

Ir Prof CHU took the opportunity to thank the President, Vice Presidents and members for the endorsement and support that had given to him and Past President Ir Dr LO Wai Kwok and Immediate Past President Ir Peter Y WONG for their guidance in the previous Sessions. He also thanked the Secretary for her unfailing support and would strive to follow the good foundation laid down by his predecessors in the year ahead.

For the post of VP, the meeting noted that Ir Dr CHAN Fuk Cheung and Ir CHOY Kin Kuen, the incumbent VPs, are to be re-elected for

the post on the day of the 35<sup>th</sup> AGM.

For the vacancy arising from the post of VP, it was noted that Ir Raymond CHAN Kin Sek and Ir LEE Ping Kuen were nominated by the Council at the special Council meeting held on 21 April 2010 for election at the 35<sup>th</sup> AGM.

It was noted that, pursuant to the resolution of the last meeting, there would be five vacancies for Elected Ordinary Members (EOMs) and the closing date for the receipt of nominations would be 7 June 2010.

At this point, the President took the opportunity to thank the EOMs and Council Members (Division) who are due to retire at the end of this Session.

## **6.2 Observers to Council meetings**

The meeting resolved to approve that Ir Dr Raymond HO Chung Tai is to continue to sit on the Council and the Executive as observer during his term of office as Legislative Councillor representing the engineering functional constituency and Ir Dr Samson TAM Wai Ho is to continue to sit on the Council as observer during his term of office as Legislative Councillor representing the IT functional constituency.

## **6.3 Proposed implementation plan of The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers Hall of Fame**

The meeting considered the proposal for The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers Hall of Fame. In response to the member's query on the difference between the award of HKIE Gold Medal and Hall of Fame, Ir Prof Reuben CHU Pui Kwan clarified that different from the Gold Medal, there is no competition for the Hall of Fame and any nominated member who can meet the criteria will be considered. The Gold Medal Award is the highest level in the entire spectrum of awards of the Institution. The meeting also noted that a special publication on the HKIE Hall of Fame will be published and the nomination to the Hall of Fame would be introduced again at an interval to be determined upon the response and feedback from members on this exercise.

In consideration of the implementation schedule of the Hall of Fame as well as the special publication, members noted the intention to dovetail the Hall of Fame programme with the celebration activities of the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Institution in December but were concerned that the schedule appeared to be very tight and advised that the schedule should be implemented as a matter of prudence. Ir Prof CHU agreed that the deadline for nomination and schedule of implementation could be shifted and adjusted depending on the

progress. He would keep in view of the progress and if the circumstance does not permit, the special publication of the Hall of Fame could be published at a later date after the anniversary celebration.

The meeting advised that publicity of the entire programme is important and Ir Prof CHU responded that consideration would be given on the ways to promote the image of the Institution and the profession.

Subject to the above, the meeting approved the proposal on The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers Hall of Fame as set out in Appendix II to the Paper as presented.

#### **6.4 Benchmarking and Review of the Standards of the Qualifying Process and Outcomes – Observation visits to United Kingdom, Australia and Canada**

Ir Dr CHAN Fuk Cheung, Chairman of the Q & M Board, presented to the meeting the proposal on full competence based assessment in experience and professional competence at Corporate Member's level recommended by the Board.

The meeting then discussed whether the Institution is to adopt this approach. Ir CHAN Yun Cheung expressed his concern on whether candidates could be objectively assessed under this assessment method and considered that the Institution should ensure the quality and standard of our members. The meeting concurred that as the global trend is to follow competence based approach for assessment, the Institution should review our standard and benchmark with other international institutions.

The meeting noted that under the proposal, a Working Group would be formed to develop and review the process necessary in implementing competence based assessment and to submit a report to the Q & M Board in taking the proposal forward. Ir Dr CHAN added that brainstorming sessions with Discipline Advisory Panels would be organised to introduce the competence based assessment prior to the formation of the Working Group and that a number of sub-groups would be formed under the Working Group to deal with individual matters.

Subject to the above, the meeting approved to adopt the proposal on full competence based assessment in experience and professional competence at Corporate Member's level.

#### **6.5 Proposed Agreement of Co-operation with the Institution of Engineers, Pakistan**

The meeting approved the proposed Agreement of Co-operation with the Institution of Engineers, Pakistan as set out in the Appendix to the Paper as presented.

#### **6.6 Copyright Consent Form**

The meeting approved the copyright consent form together with the explanatory notes for the papers and works submitted for the HKIE publications and conference proceedings as set out in Appendices I and II to the Paper as presented.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.