

THE HONG KONG INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS

COUNCIL MEETING

The 2nd Meeting of Session 2011/2012 was held on Thursday, 22 September 2011 at 5:00pm at the HKIE Headquarters

Present	:	Ir Dr CHAN Fuk Cheung	President
		Ir Prof Reuben CHU Pui Kwan	Immediate Past President
		Ir Prof CHOY Kin Kuen	Senior Vice President
		Ir Raymond CHAN Kin Sek	Vice President
		Ir Victor CHEUNG Chi Kong	Vice President
		Ir Allan CHAN Sau Kit	
		Ir David CHANG Chung Hung	
		Ir Dominic CHEUNG Yat Cheong	
		Ir Patrick CHEUNG Yuen Fong	
		Ir Jacky CHIONG Kam Yueng	
		Ir Colin CHUNG Chi Leong	
		Ir LAM King Kong	
		Ir LAU Chi Kin	
		Ir Eddie LEUNG Siu Kong	
		Ir Alex LEUNG Wai Hung	
		Ir Dr Louis LOCK Fat Shing	
		Ir MA Lee Tak	
		Ir Clarence MAK Yan Fai	
		Ir Eva MAK Yee Wa	
		Ir Prof John MOK Kin Lun	
		Mr Martin SIU Wai Kwong	
		Ir Dr George SZE Lee Wah	
		Ir TAI Tak Him	
		Ir William TANG Chung Ming	
		Dr Ernest TSANG Kin Wai	
		Ir WONG Chi Ming	
		Ir Philco WONG Nai Keung	
		Ir Duncan WONG Wai On	
		Ir Gordon WOO Man Shing	
		Ir Dr Winco YUNG Kam Chuen	
		Ir Edmund LEUNG Kwong Ho	Honorary Member
		Ir Peter Y WONG	Observer, Chairman of ERB
		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 : Mr Jack CHAN Chun Keung President's Protégé
Ms Winnie CHAN Hiu Tung President's Protégé
- Apologies : Ir Frank CHAN Fan
Ir Prof John CHAN Kwok Wong
Ir Morris CHEUNG Siu Wa
Ir CHOY Chun Chuen
Ir Dr Wilton FOK Wai Tung
Ir Alex KWAN King Fai
Ir Dr Edward LO Wai Chau
Ir Timothy SUEN Kai Cheung
Ir Helen SZETO Suet Man
Ir Dr Samson TAM Wai Ho
Ir Dr TSO Che Wah
Ir TSUI Ping Fong
Ir WONG Yiu Fai
Ir Jenny YEUNG Fei
Ir Ringo YU Shek Man
Ir YUEN Pak Leung

ACTION MINUTES

Action

2.1 To approve the updated membership list of standing committees for Session 2011/2012

The meeting approved unanimously the proposed nominations to the standing committees for Session 2011/2012 as set out in the Paper.

2.2 Venue and voting centre(s) for the 37th Annual General Meeting (AGM) – 21 June 2012

The meeting approved the recommendations of the Executive to have two voting centres for the 37th Annual General Meeting (AGM). It was further decided that the HKIE HQs and the Jockey Club Auditorium at the Hong Kong Polytechnic University would be the two voting centres, the latter of which being the venue of the AGM.

2.3 Request for secretarial service from the Engineering Forum Limited (EFL)

The meeting considered the recommendation from the Executive on the review on the service fee for the request for secretarial service from the EFL and approved to provide secretarial service to the EFL for a period of two years without charging any fee.

Regarding an enquiry on the membership of the EFL, the meeting

noted that EFL is in the process of recruiting members.

2.4 Interim Arrangement for Institution's Accommodation

The meeting considered the proposal on the interim arrangement for the Institution's accommodation. In considering the proposal, members enquired whether the interim arrangement would result in adjustment in the membership subscription. The President responded that the Institution could afford to purchase an additional unit under the proposal without applying a mortgage loan and hence it would not be necessary to increase our membership subscription. However, for the long term accommodation plan, review of the membership subscription might be necessary if the Institution is to purchase a new permanent premises in future. The option for leasing a unit was raised and the meeting noted that the Administration Board had considered such an option and accorded that it would be preferable to purchase a unit instead when funding is available. The urgent need to have additional space for the Institution's accommodation during the interim was noted by the meeting.

After discussion, Resolutions 1 and 2 were amended by the meeting as follows:

Resolution 1 (Amended)

“That the Institution is to purchase a suitable unit within or close to Island Beverley with a saleable floor area of not less than 800ft².”

Resolution 2 (Amended)

“That the ceiling price for the unit does not exceed HK\$20 million subject to maintaining the reserve fund of not less than HK\$10 million.”

The meeting agreed that no amendment is necessary for Resolutions 3 to 5 as presented below:

Resolution 3

“That the proposed procedures for acquisition of property as delineated in paragraph 16 are approved.”

Resolution 4

“That the President and the Secretary or any two Officers of the Council shall sign on behalf of the Institution the legal documents and/or contracts when the acquisition is made and that the President and the Secretary or any two Officers of the Council shall sign every instrument to which the Common Seal of the Institution is so affixed.”

Resolution 5

“That the Tracker Fund of the Institution is to be sold as and when required to finance the purchase of additional property if the sum of the available cash and the fund from selling of RMB is not sufficient and that the selling price would be the market price at the level of the average purchase price of HK\$17.08 or above.”

Proposed by Ir Prof CHOY Kin Kuen and seconded by Ir WONG Chi Ming, Resolutions 1 – 5 were put to vote and members approved all the resolutions unanimously.

2.5 Renaming of the Publications Committee

The meeting approved the proposal to rename the Publications Committee as “HKIE Transactions Committee” so as to reflect clearly its major function and responsibilities.

2.6 Proposal for the Formation of Aircraft Division

Ir Victor CHEUNG Chi Kong, Chairman of the Learned Society Board (LSB), presented to the meeting the proposal for the formation of Aircraft Division.

The meeting approved the proposal for the formation of Aircraft Division as set out in Appendix II to the Paper and that the Aircraft Division would be officially established in Session 2012/2013 after the close of the 37th Annual General Meeting of the Institution.

2.7 Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Committee – Appointment of Co-opted Members

The meeting approved the appointment of Ir Sam CHAN Yu Sum, Ir Alan YAU Hoi Ngan and Ir LAM Chi Sing as co-opted members of the ADR Committee for Session 2011/2012.

2.8 Composition & Terms of Reference of Overseas Chapters

The meeting approved the revised Composition and Terms of Reference of the three Overseas Chapters to remove the staggering arrangement among the office bearers as set out in Appendix III to the Paper.

2.9 Appointment of a New Editor to the Publications Committee

The meeting approved the appointment of Ir Dr Jonathan CHUNG Chi Yuen as the LSB-appointed Editor (Mechanical) of the Publications Committee for Session 2011/2012.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.