

**Minutes of the 2016 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of
the Master of Public Administration Alumni Association (MPAAA) of
The University of Hong Kong**

Date: 24 March 2016
Time: 7:30pm
Venue: CPD-323, Jockey Club Tower, HKU

Present

MAK Hoi-wan, Walter	Chairman
LAW Wai-fung, Eric	Vice Chairman
LAM Yuen-mui, Wendy	Vice Chairman
LIN Shuk-may, Lucia	Hon. Treasurer
MAK Bo-yin Matthew	Member
WONG Wai-king, Anita	Member
YU Chung-kit, Jockit	Member

Absent with Apologies

WAI In-fun, Perseus	ex-Hon. Secretary (resigned)
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In Attendance

TSE Hoi-yin, Henry	MPAAA member (newly elected Hon. Secretary)
YAU Kwai Chong, Eliza	MPAAA member
LEE Chun Tung, Duncan	MPAAA member
LAM Ka-chung, Justin	MPAAA member

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Quorum for the Meeting

The Chairman announced that as the quorum of the AGM under the MPAAA constitution had been met, he declared the meeting open.

Confirmation of the Minutes of the Last Meeting

2. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed without amendment and signed by the Chairman.

Election of new Hon Secretary

3. The Chairman reported that Mr. Perseus Wai had resigned from his post of Secretary in November 2015. Mr. Jockit Yu proposed and Ms. Anita Wong seconded Mr. Henry Tse to take up the post. As there was no other proposal, the Chairman and all members welcomed Mr. Henry Tse to join the Executive Committee (EC) as the Hon Secretary with immediate effect. The Committee also extended a vote of thanks to Perseus for his contributions in the past years.

Annual Report by the Chairman for the Year 2015

4. The Chairman reported that as at the end of February 2016, the number of valid MPAAA members was 98, which grew by 11% as compared with 88 in 2015.

5. The Chairman expressed his thanks for the support of all MPAAA members for the successful launch of the three events, namely (i) the 36th Anniversary Dinner on 26 April 2015; (ii) a visit tour to the Customs and Excise Department Training School at Tai Lam on 25 July 2015; and (iii) a visit to Customs Headquarters Building Exhibition Gallery cum experience sharing by Mr. Kenny Tso, a member retired from public service, in operating an organic farm, followed by a buffet luncheon on 9 January 2016.

6. There being no further inquiries, Mr. Eric Law proposed and Ms. Wendy LAM seconded to endorse the Secretary's Report.

Financial Report by the Honorary Treasurer

7. Ms. Lucia Lin presented the audited Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account for the period ending 31 August 2015. She reported that the account balance stood at HK\$98,088.30. A surplus of HK\$2,638.60 was recorded in the year due to the collection of membership fees of HK\$9,300.00 less the expenses of HK\$6,661.40 to be borne by MPAAA for organizing the 36th Anniversary Dinner.

8. There being no enquiries, Mr. Matthew Mak proposed and Mr. Eric Law seconded to endorse the Financial Report.

Any Other Business

(I) Forthcoming Activities for 2016

9. The Chairman proposed to arrange the following visits this year:

- i. Mr. Kenny Tso's organic farm cum barbecue on 30 April 2016;
- ii. The kennel of Customs and Excise Department; and
- iii. The Fire and Ambulance Services Academy at Pak Shek Kok.

10. Mr. Henry Tse mentioned that a MPAAA classmate was working in Qian Hai and could explore the feasibility for arranging a visit in October 2016. All members supported this proposal in principle and would further discuss the details in the next meeting.

Henry Tse

(II) Update of MPAAA website

11. The Chairman expressed and all members supported that it was crucial to update the MPAAA website with latest details of activities in a timely manner. This could demonstrate to all alumni members that MPAAA was an active entity with regular commitment, and could promote connectivity of alumni. In order to improve the responsiveness of MPAAA's functions and assist HKU PPA faculty in updating the website, all members agreed to provide photographs with captions and event highlights for the future events so as to facilitate the faculty staff for easy uploading. Relevant documents and speeches would also be provided. With regard to the suggestion of creating a new Facebook page for the MPAAA, all members opined that it might add extra workload to the faculty. Hence, a lower priority was given to this initiative at the present stage.

(III) Invitation of distinguished alumni as guest speakers

12. Members agreed that it would be difficult for individual member to invite 'distinguished' alumni as guest speaker in MPAAA function, in particular under the current socio-political atmosphere. The Chairman considered that the

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faculty was in a better position to identify the ‘distinguished’ alumni who were willing to deliver a talk. After the initial bridging up by the faculty, the committee would then initiate formal invitation and follow up the matter. Other than that, members also shared the view that the promotion of various activities such as visits to different government departments or organizations would be effective in maintaining the cohesiveness and linkage of all alumni.

13. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.