

**Hong Kong Special Administrative Region  
Outstanding Students' Union**

**Minutes for the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**

**Date:** 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2008 (Saturday)

**Time:** 1:30 pm

**Venue:** Dancing Room, Pan Chung Primary School, Pan Chung Village, Tai Po

**Present:**

00 Vincent Sin	04 Alex Yeung	07 Sophia Cheng
02 Miffi Cheng	05 Joey Wong	07 Ivy Ho
04 Purple Lai	06 Connie Lau	07 Iris Law
04 Curtis Leung	06 Connie Law	07 Ellen Tam
04 Sylvia Ng	06 Dickson Leung	07 Ming Fai Wong
04 Byron Tsang	06 Katy Li	07 Sunny Wong
04 Sabrina Wong	06 Chris Yeung	08 Kenneth Chan
	07 Christina Chow	08 Emily Wong

Chairperson: Curtis Leung

Honorary Secretary: Iris Law (on behalf of Wincy Ng)

**1. Meeting called to order**

The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting was called to order by the Chairperson at 1418.

**2. To sing the Union Song**

**3. To pass the agenda for the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**

Vincent Sin advised that documents should be sent to all members a month before the Annual General Meeting. He requested for an explanation to the lateness of documents. Chris responded that EXCO members could not hand in documents on time which effectuated a failure to upload documents to the website.

Vincent Sin urged EXCO members to get all documents well-prepared before the Annual General Meeting so to allow adequate time for all members to go through the documents.

The agenda was received and adopted at 1428.

Approval proposed by: Joey Wong

Approval seconded by: Ming Fai Wong

**4. To pass the minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**

Katy Li proposed that an amendment should be made to last page of the 15<sup>th</sup> AGM minutes at 1429. The minutes should be approved by “Curtis Leung” instead of “Joey Wong”.

Amendment proposed by: Katy Li

Amendment seconded by: Joey Wong

Ming Fai Wong proposed to amend the 6<sup>th</sup> line under the discussion in part 6b at 1436. The word “the” should be cancelled.

Amendment proposed by: Ming Fai Wong

Amendment seconded by: Joey Wong

Joey Wong proposed that the title “President” should be corrected to “Chairperson” at 1439.

Amendment proposed by: Joey Wong

Amendment seconded by: Katy Li

Katy Li proposed to adopt the minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting at 1439.

Approval proposed by: Katy Li

Approval proposed by: Joey Wong

21 voted for. The motion was passed.

**5. To inquire the reports of the 15<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee**

Byron Tsang commented that EXCO reports should be concise and epigrammatic. Sylvia Ng remarked that EXCO reports should remain unambiguous in expression, and that sections on activities should be specified in Activity reports instead.

Vincent Sin inquired of the absence of Alex Fan, the Immediate Past President. He suggested that the President should report on behalf of the Immediate Past President in case of absence in the future.

Katy Li proposed that Mr Emil Wong should be added to the Honorary Advisor List in the External Vice President report at 1502.

Amendment proposed by: Katy Li

Amendment seconded by: Chris Yeung

21 voted for. The motion was passed.

Katy Li proposed that an amendment should be made to the Silver Patron list in the External Vice President report at 1502. The title for Mr Emil Wong should be “President (1995), Yuen Long Junior Chamber”.

Amendment proposed by: Katy Li

Amendment seconded by: Chris Yeung

21 voted for. The motion was passed.

Ming Fai Wong proposed to amend Kwan Long Wong’s EXCO report at 1502. The word “harm” in the second line should be “warm” instead. Kwan Long Wong apologized for the error.

Amendment proposed by: Ming Fai Wong

Amendment seconded by: Kwan Long Wong

Vincent Sin doubted whether honorary advisors really fulfilled the role in assisting and giving suitable recommendations to OSU. He added that most advisors failed to come as speakers in the YEC. He emphasized that the support shown by each advisor matters more than the number of advisors OSU has. He also disapproved of Mr Martin Kwan as an honorary advisor.

Katy Li clarified that honorary advisors invited OSU members to different social occasions. She also noted that Mr Kwan was a suitable honorary advisor. Vincent Sin responded that the External Vice President has the responsibility to give full account of the role of advisors in that academic year.

Kwan Long Wong remarked that OSU will be a co-organizer of the OSS from this year onwards.

Sylvia Ng queried the follow-up work on the Mentorship Programme. Chris Yeung replied that internal mails had been sent to illustrate the progress of the programme. Sylvia Ng concluded that the EXCO this academic year should end the programme

since the next EXCO are not obliged to include this programme in their year plan.

Chris Yeung raised the question of whether new members possess voting rights. Byron Tsang elucidated that members who handed in membership fee for the current academic year possess voting right. Sylvia Ng remarked that the Financial Secretary should note whether the membership fees handed in were for the current academic year or for the coming year.

Chris Yeung proposed to amend the EXCO report of the Internal Vice President at 1511. The phrase “But most importantly” was to be deleted.

Amendment proposed by: Chris Yeung

Amendment seconded by: Joey Wong

21 voted for. The motion was passed.

Chris Yeung proposed to cancel the word “of” on the fifth line of the second paragraph in the Internal Vice President’s EXCO report at 1511.

Amendment proposed by: Chris Yeung

Amendment seconded by: Ming Fai Wong

21 voted for. The motion was passed.

Chris Yeung proposed to replace “Mong Kong” with “Mong Kok” on the second line of the third paragraph in the EXCO report of the Internal Vice President at 1511.

Amendment proposed by: Chris Yeung

Amendment seconded by: Joey Wong

21 voted for. The motion was passed.

Christina Chow proposed to approve the 15<sup>th</sup> executive committee report at 1540.

Approval proposed by: Christina Chow

Approval seconded by: Kwan Long Wong

## **6. To inquire the financial report of the year**

There was no net gain or loss in internal gatherings and YLC while in YEC and Orientation camp there were slight deficits. There was an overall net surplus of \$1434.70 this year.

Curtis Leung challenged the practice of collecting different amounts of money from members and advisors. He highlighted the fact that Annual Dinner does not aim at raising funds. Vincent Sin also urged all EXCO members to bear in mind that OSU is a non-profit making organization.

Sylvia questioned the use of souvenirs. Dickson Leung clarified that souvenirs were used in Annual Dinner. He also accounted for the large quantities produced, saying that this served to lower the average cost and could be used to the coming years.

Sylvia Ng pondered on the future use of souvenirs. Dickson suggested that the souvenirs should be given out for free in both internal and external functions.

Vincent Sin proposed that the present financial report should be revised and ready after two months at 1559. It should be sent to all members and will be approved of in the next Annual General Meeting. The financial report should state clearly how the surplus will be used, whether souvenirs are assets or expenditure, and should include the financial reports of all activities.

Motion proposed by: Vincent Sin

Motion seconded by: Purple Lai

6 voted for. 16 abstained from voting. The motion was not passed.

Chris Yeung proposed to retain the amount of money earned from the Annual Dinner this year for the Annual Dinner next year after deducting souvenir costs at 1611.

Motion proposed by: Chris Yeung

Motion seconded by: Katy Li

22 voted for. The motion was passed.

Chris Yeung proposed to insert a note for the item Annual Dinner in the financial report at 1618. The note should state that souvenir costs were excluded from the calculation of surplus.

Motion proposed by: Chris Yeung

Motion seconded by: Katy Li

15 voted for. 4 voted against. 2 abstained from voting. The motion was passed.

Chris Yeung asked if members had any remarks to add. Sylvia Ng pointed out that the

proposed calculation was oversimplified. The report should be detailed with the indication of every small item. She recommended that the Financial Secretary amend the whole financial report.

Vincent Sin stipulated for a clear report on the amount of donations from specific Patrons and on the details of souvenir production.

Miffi Cheng pressed for an explanation to the financial particulars of the Orientation camp.

Byron Tsang expressed that any difference between the financial section of the Activity reports and financial report should be expounded and relevant deviations should be amended.

Alex Yeung proposed that the present financial report should be amended within 2 months after the Annual General Meeting at 1633. The amended report should be sent to all members and approved in the executive general meeting.

Motion proposed by: Alex Yeung

Motion seconded by: Chris Yeung

20 voted for. 1 abstained from voting. The motion was passed.

**7. To inquire the PIC reports and the relevant financial reports of the functions held throughout the year**

**7.1 Internal gathering**

**1<sup>st</sup> internal gathering**

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2007 (Sunday)

Time: 7:30pm - 10:30pm

Venue: **Minnaya Café** (11/F, Dundas Square, Dundas Street, Mong Kong)

Number of participants: 25

**2<sup>nd</sup> internal gathering**

(cancelled)

Vincent Sin questioned the abrupt cancellation of the 2<sup>nd</sup> internal gathering.

Chris Yeung answered that there were only a few confirmed participants which was insufficient for the 2<sup>nd</sup> internal gathering to take place.

Vincent Sin inquired of the shift of the usual schedule of 2<sup>nd</sup> internal gathering in

April to June. Chris Yeung responded that April was avoided since most universities hold exams in April.

Ming Fai Wong proposed to have a break of five minutes after the inquiry of the Activity report of Internal Gathering at 1643.

Motion proposed by: Ming Fai Wong

Motion seconded by: Kwan Long Wong

21 voted for. The motion was passed.

The Annual General Meeting was resumed at 1701.

## **7.2 Annual dinner**

Date: **2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2008** (Sunday)

Time: 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm

Venue: Joseph's at the Graduate Restaurant, the University of Hong Kong

Fee: \$220

Number of participants: 24

(No related discussion.)

## **7.3 Orientation camp**

Date: 11<sup>th</sup> Jul – 12<sup>th</sup> Jul, 2008

Time: 2:30 pm (11<sup>th</sup> Jul) – 11 am (12<sup>th</sup> Jul)

Venue: Lamma Island

Number of participants: 31 (17 new members)

Kwan Long Wong explained that the camp was held on Friday and Saturday despite its inconvenience especially for old members because the cost for venue for weekends is 2.5 times higher than that for weekdays. Sylvia Ng stressed the importance of the presence of old members which should weigh above monetary concerns. She emphasized that Saturday and Sunday should be chosen so the benefit of having more participants to share the cost could be enjoyed.

Chris Yeung reported a change of net gain in the Orientation camp to \$177.50.

Sylvia Ng inquired of the need for adopting three different prices for different groups of participants. Chris Yeung explained that a lower price of \$40 was designed exclusively for senior members since it only covers the food they consume. Sylvia Ng

commented that it was not necessary to collect separate amount of fees from old and new members.

Sylvia questioned the absence of certain EXCO members, particularly that of the President's. Joey Wong replied that as she was not able to return to Hong Kong in time. Byron Tsang emphasized the significance of May, June and July to OSU EXCO members. He commented that the Union's President should report foreseeable unavailability in advance.

Vincent Siu praised Kwan Long Wong, Connie Law and Chris Yeung for working to the best of their ability in organizing the Orientation camp.

#### **7.4 YEC**

Vincent Sin inquired of the need to record the use of OSU assets in the YEC. Dickson Leung promised to follow up on this matter and conduct thorough checking.

Miffi Cheng interrogated about possible difficulty in inviting a well-qualified speaker. Alex Yeung explicated that speakers invited to the YEC are well-related to OSU and can be re-invited for future occasions.

Vincent Sin raised the concern of receiving applications from only 14 schools and expressed concern over the difficulty or problem in contacting schools. Dickson Leung explained that in spite of the invitations sent to 183 schools, only 45 application forms were received. He interpreted the reasons to be inadequate publicity as it was the first YEC OSU has ever hold, and that speakers and visits could not be confirmed when leaflets were published.

Miffi Cheng demanded for the attendance rate of YEC participants. Dickson Leung responded that there were over thirty participants for each activity. He apologized for not posting up attendance records.

#### **7.5 YLC**

Sylvia Ng complimented the persons-in-charge of Young Leaders Congress 2008. She reminded EXCO members that attendance of each member is an act of support to the persons-in-charge.

Ming Fai Wong thanked all mentors for helping out voluntarily.

Miffi Cheng opined that activities were held successfully in general this year. She suggested that a database should be set up accordingly for the generations of EXCO to come.

Ming Fai Wong proposed to pass the PIC reports at 1748.

Approval proposed by: Ming Fai Wong

Approval seconded by: Joey Wong

21 voted for. The motion was passed.

**8. To inquire the report of Hong Kong Sercial Administrative Region Outstanding Students Selection (HKSAROSS)**

Joey Wong expressed worries over possible identity crisis faced by future EXCO members in the OSS. Sylvia Ng suggested that EXCO members should avoid joining the OSS organizing committee if OSU remains to be a co-organizing party to minimize any major identity crisis. She urged the 16<sup>th</sup> EXCO members to define and decide their role in the OSS next year.

Katy Li proposed to pass the report of HKSAROSS at 1750.

Approval proposed by: Katy Li

Approval seconded by: Alex Yeung

21 voted for. The motion was passed.

**9. To inquire the report of Logo Redesign Committee (LRC)**

Vincent Sin stated that the issue of logo redesign should no longer be delayed. A consultation date or period should be set.

Vincent Sin and Kwan Long Wong suggested that letters should be sent to all members concerning logo redesign. Members could return their votes by mailing. The results should be announced at the Annual Dinner.

Sylvia Ng remarked that the designs should be uploaded to the website before letters are sent to inform members.

Vincent Sin accentuated the notion of voting by mail. He indicated that emails and website upload should only be supplementary measures.

Miffi Cheng proposed to assign the LRC to upload the designs of logos to the website, inform members of the logos by mail and vote for the new Union logo at the Annual Dinner at 1811.

Motion proposed by: Miffi Cheng

Motion seconded by: Sylvia Ng

21 voted for. The motion was passed.

#### **10. To pass the election committee**

Vincent Sin proposed to appoint Byron Tsang as the chairperson of the election committee and Purple Lai as the committee member of the EC at 1815.

Motion proposed by: Vincent Sin

Motion seconded by: Sylvia Ng

21 voted for. The motion was passed.

#### **11. To elect the 16<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee of the Union**

There are 9 candidates in total. The voting result was as follows:

	Candidates		For	Against	Abstain
1	Kwan Long Wong	20 <sup>th</sup>	19	1	1
2	Kenneth Chan	21 <sup>st</sup>	20	1	0
3	Emily Wong	21 <sup>st</sup>	20	0	1
4	Tsz Kwan Cheng	20 <sup>th</sup>	21	0	0
5	Bonnie Chan	21 <sup>st</sup>	20	0	1
6	Chris Yeung	19 <sup>th</sup>	19	0	2
7	Ivy Ho	20 <sup>th</sup>	21	0	0
8	Wincy Ng	21 <sup>st</sup>	20	0	1
9	Wai Yin Law	20 <sup>th</sup>	21	0	0

After voting, the 16<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee was formed:

Kwan Long Wong	20 <sup>th</sup>
Kenneth Chan	21 <sup>st</sup>
Emily Wong	21 <sup>st</sup>
Tsz Kwan	20 <sup>th</sup>
Bonnie Chan	21 <sup>st</sup>
Chris Yeung	19 <sup>th</sup>
Ivy Ho	20 <sup>th</sup>

Wincy Ng	21 <sup>st</sup>
Wai Yin Law	20 <sup>th</sup>

**12. Adjournment of the meeting**

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by the Chairperson at 1842.

Prepared by,

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Wincy Ng  
General Secretary

Approved by,

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Curtis Leung  
Chairperson