

Minutes of Extraordinary General Meeting held on 1 September 2015

An Extraordinary General Meeting of Convocation was held on 1 September 2015 at 7:00 pm at Hall 3G, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Wanchai.

Present: 3,402 members in person and 5,896 members by proxy.

1. The Meeting **CONFIRMED** the Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held on 25 June 2015.
2. The Meeting **HEARD** the introduction to the proposed motions by three requisitionists.
3. The Meeting **RECEIVED** demands from five members entitled to vote present in person that the motions be decided upon by a poll instead of a show of hands.
4. The Meeting **NOTED** the views on the motions from fifty-three members.
5. The Meeting **VOTED** on motion 2A that “This convocation is of the view that The University Council should, in accordance with established procedures and precedents, confirm the recommendation made by the Search Committee for the appointment of Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Academic Staffing and Resources) within 30 days from today and, failing that, should provide written reasons and justification for their delay and their decision to the Convocation and members of the public.”

The Meeting **RECEIVED** 7,821 members’ votes **FOR** the motion. As the number voted for the motion constituted a majority of votes of the members entitled to vote present in person or by proxy, the motion was **PASSED**.

6. The Meeting **VOTED** on motion 2B that “This convocation is of the view that The University of Hong Kong Ordinance and all consequential provisions including the University rules and regulations should be amended such that the Chief Executive shall not be the Chancellor and chief officer of the University.”

The Meeting **RECEIVED** 7,657 members’ votes **FOR** the motion. As the number voted for the motion constituted a majority of votes of the members entitled to vote present in person or by proxy, the motion was **PASSED**.

7. The Meeting **VOTED** on motion 2C that “This convocation is of the view that in the alternative to (b), the University of Hong Kong Ordinance and all consequential provisions including the University rules and regulations should be amended such that

the role of the Chief Executive as the Chancellor of the University shall only be ceremonial.”

The Meeting RECEIVED 7,756 members’ votes FOR the motion. As the number voted for the motion constituted a majority of votes of the members entitled to vote present in person or by proxy, the motion was PASSED.

8. The Meeting VOTED on motion 2D that “The Convocation shall set up a working party for the implementation of resolutions (b) and/or (c) above.”

The Meeting RECEIVED 7,745 members’ voted FOR the motion. As the number voted for the motion constituted a majority of votes of the members entitled to vote present in person or by proxy, the motion was PASSED.

9. The Meeting VOTED on motion 3 that “That the Convocation of the University of Hong Kong is of the like view and do support and endorse the Joint Statement dated 30 July 2015 issued by the Deans of all ten faculties of the University of Hong Kong, a copy of which is attached to this motion/resolution.”

The Meeting RECEIVED 1,814 members’ votes FOR the motion. As the number voted for the motion did not constitute a majority of votes of the members entitled to vote present in person or by proxy, the motion was DEFEATED.

10. The Meeting VOTED on motion 4 that “That the post of Chairman of the Council of University of Hong Kong must be filled by a candidate who is acceptable to the members of its teaching and non-academic staff as well as students.”

The Meeting RECEIVED 7,633 members’ votes FOR the motion. As the number voted for the motion constituted a majority of votes of the members entitled to vote present in person or by proxy, the motion was PASSED.

11. The Meeting WAS ADJOURNED at 10:30 pm.