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Panel on Health Services

Minutes of meeting
held on Thursday, 10 October 2002 at 8:40 am
in Conference Room B of the Legislative Council Building

Members Present : Dr Hon LO Wing-lok (Chairman)
Hon Michael MAK Kwok-fung (Deputy Chairman)
Hon CHAN Kwok-keung
Hon CHAN Yuen-han, JP
Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo
Dr Hon LAW Chi-kwong, JP
Hon LI Fung-ying, JP

Members Absent : Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan
Hon Albert HO Chun-yan
Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun, SBS, JP
Dr Hon YEUNG Sum
Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong, JP

Clerk in Attendance : Ms Doris CHAN
Chief Assistant Secretary (2) 4

Staff in Attendance : Mrs Justina LAM
Assistant Secretary General 2

Ms Dora WAI
Senior Assistant Secretary (2) 4

Miss Mary SO
Senior Assistant Secretary (2) 8

I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman

Dr LO Wing-lok invited nominations for the chairmanship of the Panel for the 2002-2003 session in accordance with the election procedures set out in Appendix IV of the House Rules.

Election of Chairman

2. Dr LAW Chi-kwong nominated Dr LO Wing-lok and Mr CHAN Kwok-keung and Ms LI Fung-ying seconded the nomination. Dr LO accepted the nomination and Mr CHAN Kwok-keung, the member who had the highest precedence amongst members present, then presided over the election of the Chairman. There being no other nominations, Mr CHAN declared Dr LO elected as Chairman of the Panel.

3. The Chairman took the chair and called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship of the Panel.

Election of Deputy Chairman

4. Dr LAW Chi-kwong nominated Mr Michael MAK and Ms LI Fung-ying seconded the nomination. Mr MAK accepted the nomination. As there were no other nominations, the Chairman declared Mr MAK elected as Deputy Chairman of the Panel.

II. Schedule of meetings for the 2002-2003 session

5. Members agreed to hold regular meetings on the second Monday of each month at 8:30 am.

6. The Chairman reminded members that a special meeting had been scheduled for 25 October 2002 at 10:45 am to discuss the findings of the surveys on the proposed amendments to the Smoking (Public Health) Ordinance commissioned by the Government and the private sector and regulatory control of Chinese medicine.

III. Discussion items for next meeting

7. Miss CHAN Yuen-han suggested to discuss measures to control the spread of dengue fever in October 2002. The Chairman pointed out that the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene had already discussed the subject at a recent meeting. He undertook to liaise with the Chairman of the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene to fix a date for a joint meeting.

8. Ms LI Fung-ying suggested to discuss the issue of fees charging for the accident and emergency services provided by the Hospital Authority (HA) before the next regular meeting scheduled for 11 November 2002. Members agreed. The Chairman undertook to liaise with the Administration on the date for discussion of this item.

9. Members further agreed to discuss the following items before the end of 2002 -

- (a) Fees charging of drugs classified as "non-essential" by HA proposed by Mr Michael MAK; and
- (b) Financial situation of HA proposed by Dr LAW Chi-kwong.

10. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 8:58 am.

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