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Panel on Education

Minutes of meeting
held on Thursday, 10 October 2002 at 12:35 pm
in Conference Room B of the Legislative Council Building

- Members Present** : Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung, BBS (Deputy Chairman)
Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP
Hon CHOY So-yuk
Hon SZETO Wah
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP
Dr Hon LO Wing-lok
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP
Hon MA Fung-kwok, JP
- Members Absent** : Dr Hon YEUNG Sum (Chairman)
Dr Hon David CHU Yu-lin, JP
Hon Eric LI Ka-cheung, JP
Hon WONG Sing-chi
- Clerk in Attendance** : Miss Flora TAI
Chief Assistant Secretary (2)2
- Staff in Attendance** : Mrs Justina LAM
Assistant Secretary General (2)

Mr Stanley MA
Senior Assistant Secretary (2)6

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I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman

Mr YEUNG Yiu-chung, as presiding member of the meeting, called for nominations for the chairmanship of the Panel.

2. Dr YEUNG Sum was nominated by Mr CHEUNG Man-kwong and the nomination was seconded by Ms Cyd HO. Mr YEUNG Yiu-chung informed the meeting that Dr YEUNG Sum was unable to attend the meeting and had already indicated in writing his acceptance of the nomination for the chairmanship of the Panel. There being no other nomination, Mr YEUNG Yiu-chung declared Dr YEUNG Sum elected as Chairman of the Panel for the 2002-2003 session.

3. Mr YEUNG Yiu-chung called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship of the Panel.

4. Miss CHOY So-yuk nominated Mr YEUNG Yiu-chung as Deputy Chairman of the Panel and the nomination was seconded by Mr CHEUNG Man-kwong. Mr YEUNG Yiu-chung accepted the nomination. As Mr YEUNG was nominated for the office, Ms Cyd HO, who had the highest precedence among the members present, took over as the presiding member. There being no other nomination, Ms Cyd HO declared Mr YEUNG Yiu-chung elected as Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2002-2003 session. The Deputy Chairman then took the chair.

II. Schedule of meetings for the 2002-2003 session

5. Members agreed to schedule regular meetings of the Panel on the third Monday of each month at 4:30 pm except the months of October 2002 and April 2003.

III. Items for discussion at the next meeting

[Appendix V to LC Paper No. CB(2)13/02-03]

6. The Deputy Chairman informed the meeting that the Secretary for Education and Manpower (SEM) had proposed to brief the Panel on his future work plan on 28 October 2002 at 2:30 pm. As the proposed date and time clashed with other committee meetings, members suggested that the Panel should hold its

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next meeting on either 22 October 2002 at 2:30 pm or 30 October 2002 at 10:45 am. The Clerk would consult the Chairman and the Administration on the final date and time for the next meeting. At the suggestion of Ms Cyd HO, members agreed that SEM should be requested to explain in his briefing the implications of achieving a saving of 1.8% in the operating expenditure on the existing and new or improved services as planned in 2003-2004, and an additional saving of 1% each year from 2004-2005 to 2006-2007.

7. The Deputy Chairman informed members that Mr CHEUNG Man-kwong had suggested that the Panel should discuss the proposed merger of the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) and the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST), as well as the management of the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority (HKEAA) at the next meeting. Mr CHEUNG also suggested that SEM and the Vice-Chancellor/President of CUHK and HKUST should be invited to participate in the discussion of the proposed merger of the two universities. Members agreed.

[Post-meeting note : After consultation with the Chairman, the next meeting was subsequently scheduled for 28 October 2002 at 8:30 am. At the Administration's suggestion and with the concurrence of the Chairman, the Panel would discuss "Merger of the Education and Manpower Bureau with the Education Department" at the next meeting, while the item of "Management of HKEAA" would be deferred to the regular meeting in November 2002.]

IV. Any other business

8. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 12:45 pm

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