

LC Paper No. CB(2)181/12-13 (These minutes have been cleared with the Chairman)

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Panel on Manpower

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday, 16 October 2012, at 10:00 am in Conference Room 3 of the Legislative Council Complex

| Members present | : | Hon LEE Cheuk-yan (Chairman) Hon WONG Kwok-kin, BBS (Deputy Chairman) Hon Albert HO Chun-yan Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, SBS, JP Hon CHAN Kin-por, BBS, JP Dr Hon LEUNG Ka-lau Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP Hon CHAN Chi-chuen Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, BBS, MH, JP Hon Kenneth LEUNG Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki Hon KWOK Wai-keung Hon SIN Chung-kai, SBS, JP Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH Hon TANG Ka-piu Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, JP |
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| Members absent | : | Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, SBS, JP Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung |

| Clerk in attendance | : | Miss Betty MA Chief Council Secretary (2) 1 |
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| Staff in attendance | : | Miss Flora TAI Assistant Secretary General 2 |
| | | Ms Rita LAI Senior Council Secretary (2) 1 |
| | | Mr Raymond LAM Senior Council Secretary (2) 7 |
| | | Ms Mina CHAN Council Secretary (2) 1 |
| | | Ms Kiwi NG Legislative Assistant (2) 1 |
| | | Miss Lulu YEUNG Clerical Assistant (2) 1 |

Action

I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman for the 2012-2013 session

Election of Chairman

<u>Mr Albert HO</u>, Member of the highest precedence in the Panel, presided over the election of Chairman of the Panel. <u>Mr HO</u> called for nominations for the chairmanship of the Panel. Mr LEE Cheuk-yan was nominated by Mr SIN Chung-kai and the nomination was seconded by Mr WONG Kwok-kin and Mr POON Siu-ping. <u>Mr LEE Cheuk-yan</u> accepted the nomination.

2. As there was no other nomination, <u>Mr Albert HO</u> declared Mr LEE Cheuk-yan elected as the Chairman of the Panel for the 2012-2013 session. Mr LEE then took the chair.

Election of Deputy Chairman

3. <u>The Chairman</u> called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship of the Panel. Mr WONG Kwok-kin was nominated by Mr IP Kwok-him and the nomination was seconded by Mr CHAN Kin-por and Mr TANG Ka-piu. <u>Mr WONG Kwok-kin</u> accepted the nomination.

4. As there was no other nomination, <u>the Chairman</u> declared Mr WONG Kwok-kin elected as the Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2012-2013 session.

II. Schedule of meetings for the 2012-2013 session

5. <u>Members</u> agreed that future regular meetings of the Panel would be held on the third Tuesday of each month at 4:30 pm.

(*Post-meeting note*: The meeting schedule was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)25/12-13 on 16 October 2012.)

III. Items for discussion at the next meeting

6. <u>Members</u> noted the following papers which were tabled at the meeting -

- (a) list of issues suggested to be considered; and
- (b) list of follow-up actions.

(*Post-meeting note*: The above papers were issued to members vide LC Paper Nos. CB(2)27/12-13(01) and (02) respectively on 16 October 2012.)

Regular meeting in November 2012

7. <u>Members</u> agreed that the following items proposed by the Administration be discussed at the next regular meeting at 4:30 pm on 20 November 2012 -

(a) Implementation of the Pilot Employment Navigator Programme; and

(b) Proposed enhancement of the Work Incentive Transport Subsidy Scheme.

8. <u>Mr TANG Ka-piu</u> was concerned that there were six cases of fatal death of workers caused by electric shock at work in the past six months, which exceeded the total number of similar cases in the past 11 years. <u>Members</u> agreed that the Administration should first be requested to provide information and follow-up measures taken in respect of such cases. Members would then decide on whether the subject should be discussed at a future meeting.

9. Noting that the Minimum Wage Commission would submit a recommendation report on the review of the statutory minimum wage ("SMW") rate to the Chief Executive in Council by end of October 2012, <u>Mr Frederick FUNG</u> suggested to discuss the subject as early as practicable. <u>The Chairman</u> envisaged that a subcommittee would be formed to study the subsidiary legislation relating to the SMW rate after it was tabled in the Council. He did not see the need for holding a special meeting of the Panel if the relevant subsidiary legislation would be tabled in the Council soon. As such, he would enquire with the Administration on the legislative timetable for the relevant subsidiary legislation. Members would be informed of the date of the special meeting, if any, in due course.

10. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 10:07 am.

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