

LC Paper No. CB(2)55/19-20 (These minutes have been cleared with the Chairman)

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Panel on Welfare Services

Minutes of meeting held on Friday, 18 October 2019, at 8:30 am in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex

Members present	: Hon KWONG Chun-yu (Chairman) Hon SHIU Ka-chun (Deputy Chairman) Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP Hon CHAN Chi-chuen Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki Hon KWOK Wai-keung, JP Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH Hon Andrew WAN Siu-kin Hon CHU Hoi-dick Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH Dr Hon Pierre CHAN Hon LUK Chung-hung, JP Hon Kenneth LAU Ip-keung, BBS, MH, JP Dr Hon CHENG Chung-tai
Members absent	: Prof Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, SBS, MH, JP Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung Hon YUNG Hoi-yan, JP
Member attending	: Hon Martin LIAO Cheung-kong, GBS, JP

Clerk in attendance	: Ms Wendy JAN Chief Council Secretary (2) 4	
Staff in attendance	: Miss Flora TAI Assistant Secretary General 2	
	Ms Catherina YU Senior Council Secretary (2) 4	
	Mr Roger CHUNG Council Secretary (2) 4	
	Miss Alison HUI Legislative Assistant (2) 4	
	Miss Natalie WU	

Action

I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman for the 2019-2020 session

[Appendices III and IV to LC Paper No. CB(2)7/19-20]

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Election of Chairman

<u>Mr KWONG Chun-yu</u>, the incumbent Chairman, called for nominations for the chairmanship of the Panel for the 2019-2020 session. Mr KWONG Chun-yu was nominated by <u>Mr CHAN Chi-chuen</u> and the nomination was seconded by <u>Dr KWOK Ka-ki</u>. <u>Mr KWONG</u> accepted the nomination. As Mr KWONG was nominated for the chairmanship, the election was presided over by Mr SHIU Ka-chun, the incumbent Deputy Chairman.

2. As there was no other nomination, <u>Mr SHIU Ka-chun</u> declared Mr KWONG Chun-yu elected as Chairman of the Panel for the 2019-2020 session. Mr KWONG then took the chair.

Election of Deputy Chairman

3. <u>The Chairman</u> called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship of the Panel for the 2019-2020 session. Mr SHIU Ka-chun was nominated by <u>Dr KWOK Ka-ki</u> and the nomination was seconded by <u>Mr CHU Hoi-dick</u>. <u>Mr SHIU</u> accepted the nomination.

4. As there was no other nomination, <u>the Chairman</u> declared Mr SHIU Ka-chun elected as Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2019-2020 session.

II. Schedule of meetings for the 2019-2020 session

5. <u>Members</u> agreed that regular meetings of the Panel would be held on the second Monday of each month at 10:45 am. As 13 April 2020 was a public holiday, <u>members</u> agreed that the regular meeting in April be rescheduled to 20 April 2020 at 10:45 am. A schedule of meetings for the 2019-2020 session would be issued to members after the meeting.

(*Post-meeting note*: A schedule of meetings was issued vide LC Paper No. CB(2)15/19-20 on 18 October 2019.)

III. Items for discussion at the next meeting

[Appendices V and VI to LC Paper No. CB(2)7/19-20]

6. <u>Members</u> agreed to discuss at the next regular meeting scheduled for 11 November 2019 the following items proposed by the Administration:

- (a) Providing one-off extra allowance to recipients of social security payments, Working Family Allowance and Work Incentive Transport Subsidy; and
- (b) Review of pro-employment measures and other improvement measures under the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Scheme, as well as annual adjustment of social security payment rates.

IV. Any other business

7. <u>Members</u> noted that simultaneous sign language interpretation service would continue to be provided for meetings of the Panel in the 2019-2020 session under an extended pilot scheme.

8. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 8:37 am.

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