THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE

Service Development (Family & Community)

Specialized Committee on Family and Community Service

Minutes of the 2nd Meeting of the Specialized Committee on Family and Community Service (2019-20) held on January 22, 2020 (Wednesday) at Room 103, 1/F, Duke of Windsor Social Service Building, 15 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

Present

Ms Eliza LAM (Chairperson) Caritas – Hong Kong

Mr Charles NG (Vice-chairperson) Christian Family Service Centre

Mrs Angela CHIU (Vice-chairperson) Hong Kong Catholic Marriage Advisory Council

Ms Lea YIP Breakthrough Limited Mrs Doris LEE Harmony House Limited Ms Florence KONG Hong Kong Christian Service Hong Kong Family Welfare Society Ms Charrix LEE

Ms Polly PANG Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Lady MacLehose Centre Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council Limited Ms KEUNG Choi-yin Ms Iris LIU International Social Service Hong Kong Branch

Mr Tom MA The Salvation Army

Ms CHENG Miu-nar Society for the Aid and Rehabilitation of Drug Abusers

Mr Raymond WONG St James' Settlement

Ms Wendy WONG Yang Memorial Methodist Social Service

Mr Kenny NG Community Development Alliance Ms Carol NG Hong Kong Lutheran Social Service

Ms Sky SIU **KELY Support Group Limited**

Mr Moses MUI The Hong Kong Council of Social Service Ms Lvnn LAW The Hong Kong Council of Social Service Ms Vivian KWONG The Hong Kong Council of Social Service Ms Noel CHOW (recorder) The Hong Kong Council of Social Service

<u>Apologies</u>

Dr Margaret WONG Hong Kong Shue Yan University

Ms LAM Yee-mui Boys' & Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting

The draft minutes of the meeting held on November 26, 2019 was circulated by email on December 18, 2019 and was confirmed with nil amendment.

2. Matters Arising

2.1 Working Group on Maintenance Issue

Paper 1: Membership List of the Working Group on Maintenance Issue (updated December 19, 2019) was sent to members for information.

Mr Moses Mui recapped the background of the formation of the Working Group and its composition of members. Members are welcomed to join the Working Group.

The next meeting of the Working Group would be held on March 4, 2020. Progress will be reported in the next Committee meeting.

3. Implication of Current Social Movement on Social Service Development

2 papers (社會事件對社福界的影響 & 港大研究調查結果) were tabled for members' reference:

Mr Moses Mui reported that discussion of the topic were held in different occasions in HKCSS, such as seminar and committee meetings in recent months. Some major observations were summarized and briefed to members as food of thought.

Mrs Eliza Lam shared the service experience of her agency. And she also elaborated the research result of HKU and pinpointed the service needs of psychological support. Members echoed that there is room for enhancement for the community-based clinical psychology service. Yet, some members were concerned that the needy might not reached by conventional service mode.

Members further shared the work of their agencies regarding the current social movement in the meeting. The following views were consolidated from the discussion in the meeting:

- dialogue between NGO service providers and district council members should be encouraged, yet high-profile engagement activity in central level not recommended
- reflection of existing service mode/scope as well as the core value of social work profession should be facilitated
- further deliberation on how to restructure family after this crisis is needed
- service development could be geared towards building an inclusive community with different views being heard and respected

4. Welfare Agenda & Priorities Setting (WAPS) 2020

Paper 2: 2019 社會福利議題及優次會議社會福利署的跟進工作 had been sent to members for reference,

Mr Moses Mui further explained the extracted content related to family and community service. It was noteworthy that most of the sector's recommendations, in particular those related to Ethnic Minority were adopted by the HKSAR government in recent years.

After thorough discussion, members agreed to pick the following foci for the key agenda of WAPS 2020. And further deliberation will be taken by the respective service networks:

- Supporting deprived families living in adequate housing;
- ii) Regularization of support services for drug abusing parents; and
- iii) Exploring cyber family service, including online counselling or parent work

A special meeting would be held to discuss the details of Cyber Family Work. Mrs Eliza Lam, Mr Charles Ng, Mrs Angela Chu, Ms Lea Yip, Ms Doris Lee, Ms Florence Kong, Ms

Charrix Lee, Ms Polly Pang, Ms Keung Choi Yin, Ms Iris Liu, Ms Angela Cheung, Mr Raymond Wong, Ms Wendy Wong, Mr Kenny Ng, Ms Carol Ng and Ms Sky Siu had signed up for the meeting. It would be held at 2:30 pm on February 14, 2020 (Friday) at Room 1410, Duke of Windsor Social Service Building.

(Post-meeting note: The special meeting was held via Zoom on February 14, 2020.)

5. For Information

5.1 戒毒服務交流研討會2020 (March 30-31, 2020)

Paper 3, including the following items of the Conference

- i) 報名摘要徵集
- ii) 摘要徵集須知.
- iii) 發言及海報展示申請表
- iv) 報名表

were sent to members for reference.

Mr Moses Mui introduced Ms Vivian Kwong, Project Manager responsible to this conference to members. Call for Abstract has been distributed to all agency members.

5.2 CIFA Regional Symposium in Taiwan (November 15-27, 2020)

Pamphlet of the Symposium was tabled in the meeting. Members and their colleagues were cordially invited to join.

6. Progress Update

Paper 4: Progress Update of Family and Community Service (November 2019 to January 2020) was sent to members for information.

Ms Lynn Law highlighted extra resource was allocated to ethnic minorities with special educational needs recently.

Moreover, there were 90 participants in the Multi-cultural Practice Wisdom Forum – Support Service for Ethnic Minority (EM) Children with Special Education Needs.

Mr Kenny Ng informed members that there would be engagement sessions organized by Commission on Children quarterly. The theme of the first quarter of 2020 would be Children with Special Educational Needs. Participation to the engagement sessions would be by invitation. Mr Kenny Ng would pass detailed information to members at a later stage.

7. Any Other Business

Nil

8.	Date	of Next	Meeting -	March	11.	2020
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The next meeting would be held on March 11, 2020 (Wednesday) at 2:30 pm in Room 1410, Duke of Windsor Social Service Building.

Adopted by		
Chairperson on the	day of	2020