

The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Standing Committee on Service Development
(2019-2020)

6th Meeting Minutes

Date: 15 September 2020 (Tue)
Time: 2:30 - 6pm
Venue: Online meeting

Present

Ms. Yvonne CHAK (Chairperson)	Hong Kong Christian Service
Ms. YU Mei Yuk, Doris	Caritas – Hong Kong
Ms. CHAN Lai Kwan, Queenie	Evangelical Lutheran Church Social Service-HK
Ms. CHAN Siu Lai	The Salvation Army
Ms. LEUNG Wai Ling, Rachel	Heep Hong Society
Mr. CHU Muk Wah, Daniel	Yang Memorial Methodist Social Service
Ms. MA Lai Wah, Anka	The Free Methodist Church of Hong Kong
Ms. LI Yi Man, Moroco	Richmond Fellowship of Hong Kong
Mr. CHAN Man Ho, Wilson	The Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups / Rep of SC (CY)
Mr. NG Ting Shan	Care for the Elderly Association Limited / Rep of SC (ELD)
Ms. LAM Yee Wan, Eliza	Caritas-Hong Kong / Rep of SC (FC)
Mr. SUI Wai Keung, Stephen	Co-opted Member
Mr. LING Kar Kan	Co-opted Member

In-attendance

Mr. Raymond LAI	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Mr. Moses MUI	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Ms. CHEUNG Lai Wah	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Ms. Karen YIU	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Ms. Rachel SZETO	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Ms. Nokia CHEUNG	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Ms. Agatha TANG	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Ms. Teresa SO (Recorder)	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service

Apology

Ms. CHOW Mee Tim (Vice-chairperson)	Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council Limited
Ms. WONG HO Kit Yuk, Winnie	The Hong Kong Society for the Deaf // Rep of SC (Rehab)
Ms. LAW Mei Chun, Vivian	Evangelical Free Church of China- Evangel Children's Home

(1) Confirmation of minutes of the last meeting

The meeting minutes was confirmed without any amendment.

(2) Matters arising

(2.1) WAPS 2020

The event evaluation meeting with SWD was held on 22 July with suggestions raised for further discussion as below:

- To explore the feasibility of hybrid mode to organize the event in next year
- To engage frontline social workers and service users to participate into the welfare agenda priority setting exercise.

(2.2) Anti-epidemic measures and welfare support in combating the epidemic

Updated information of the arrangements under the pandemic were highlighted:

- Gradual resume the service unit operation at the end of September
- Encourage service operators to strengthen the service delivery by online mode
- Continue to adopt a flexible approach by SWD in implementing SPMS in 2020/21 in view of the latest development of the COVID-19
- The project for the creation of 1,000 full time temporary posts for young people with 12-month contract will be set up by SWD in Oct to enhance technology support and facilitate tele-practice & online services in elderly and rehabilitation service units.

(2.3) Best Practice Award 2021

It is expected that the first organizing committee meeting for the 10th Best Practice Award 2021 will be held in October.

(Post-meeting note: The first OC meeting will be held on 24 November 2020).

(3) Support and collaboration with non-subsidized NGOs

The Membership Liaison and Service highlighted their project in 2019/20 and updated the latest profile of non-subsidized NGOs. Briefing sessions and workshops for the Most Impactful Small and Medium-sized Non-subsidized NGO Award 2019 were conducted to facilitate knowledge sharing and capacity building of concerned NGOs. In future, the service team may focus on the governance, network development, program planning/service delivery and resources management for the support of non-subsidized small NGOs. Besides, the search function of the Directory of Social Service Organizations of HKCSS will be enhanced in October. Members advised that service standing committee can facilitate collaboration and organize knowledge sharing for non-subsidized small NGOs to support their service development.

(4) Proposed framework and plans for Carer Policy (Task group on Carer Policy)

The framework of Care Policy was deliberated and initially developed by the task group for the advocacy of comprehensive carer support and carer friendly society. A sharing meeting was held between the task group and the carer policy research team of LWB. The research objective, scope and work scheduled was introduced. Tentatively, the final research report will be submitted to the Government in March 2021. Members raised concerns and proposed the views as below:

- Agree to adopt “carer-center perspective”
- Develop clear directions, scopes and concrete suggestions with priorities for submission of care policy proposal to LWB
- Sector engagement and public consultation should be emphasized

(5) Progress

(5.1) Task group on Manpower Shortage

It is expected that the task group will meet SWD in October to deliberate the release of survey findings and follow-up.

(5.2) Task group on Carer Policy

The proposed carer policy framework and work schedule was introduced. The task group is going to launch a Campaign to advocate carer-centered carer policy. Carer Month 2020 will be held in October so as to strengthen the public awareness on carer’s well-being and promote programs for carer to the public. Sector engagement and public consultation sessions will be conducted in Nov and Dec.

(5.3) Task group on Welfare Premises

The task group planned to meet with the concerned AD of SWD to discuss the latest progress and problem encountered in the Special Site Scheme. Members suggested to conduct a sharing session to exchange the experience to implement redevelopment project later.

(6) For Information

(6.1) Progress Report

The progress reports were tabled for information. It’s to highlight that the application criteria for the psychological support of Time to Heal was relaxed and the project end date would be extended to June 2021. Besides, the Multi-cultural Practice Wisdom Forum will be held by Family and Community Service on 8 October.

(7) A.O.B.

Nil.

(8) Date of next meeting

To be confirmed.

(Post-meeting note: the first meeting of the 2020-2021 Standing Committee on Service Development will be held on 24 Nov)

Adopted by:

(Chairperson)

Date:
