

THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE

**75<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**

Minutes of the 75<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held on November 25, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. at 1/F, Auditorium, Duke of Windsor Social Service Building, 15 Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

The Hon. Bernard Chan, Chairperson, presided over the meeting.

**Business of Annual General Meeting**

1. To confirm the minutes of the 74<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on November 12, 2021  
Proposed by Mr. Ho Wing Cheong and seconded by Ms. Chak Tung Ching, the minutes of the last AGM held on November 12, 2021 were confirmed with no amendment.

2. To receive the 2021-2022 Annual Report of the Chairperson

The Chairperson, Hon. Bernard Chan, presented the Report and remarked that during the COVID-19 pandemic in the past three years, The Hong Kong Council of Social Service (HKCSS) had played a crucial role in collaborating with member agencies and various sectors of the society to combat the pandemic. The Council had provided epidemic prevention supplies and economic support to NGOs, frontline units, and vulnerable communities. Besides, HKCSS had also initiated innovative projects, including home vaccination services for the elderly and people with disabilities, funding psychological therapy services for grassroots citizens affected by the pandemic, and recruiting health and nursing students to support nursing work. These initiatives helped the sector provide appropriate services under the new normal and brought new insights for long-term service development.

HKCSS emphasized the application of technology for the elderly and had organized events such as the “Gerontech and Innovation Expo cum Summit” and the Jockey Club “age at home” Gerontech Education and Rental Service projects. The projects aimed to address the challenges of an aging population by establishing a healthy ecosystem of gerontechnology. In service development, HKCSS focused on issues such as caregiver support, youth development, mental health, and primary healthcare, as well as conducting relevant research and advocacy work. In grassroots housing, HKCSS had launched transitional social housing projects, such as “Cheong Sun 1” in Sham Shui Po and upcoming “Yip Shing 6” in Kwai Chung, supporting grassroots families. Surveys were also conducted on the needs of low-income subdivided home residents, advocating for strengthened rental and service support to prevent isolation and helplessness.

HKCSS was committed to enhancing the sector’s capabilities through diverse training opportunities for management and frontline staff in governance, service, management, and finance. HKCSS was also actively involved in the subvention system review and had expressed the sector’s concerns and demands on the Review Report on Enhancement of Lump Sum Grant Subvention System. While commemorating the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary, HKCSS pledged to continue collaborating, supporting community needs, overcoming challenges, and building a caring and inclusive society.

Proposed by Mr. Yau How Boa and seconded by Mr. Ho Wing Cheong, the 2021-22 Annual Report of the Chairperson was received.

3. To receive the Audited Accounts for the year ended March 31, 2022

The Hon. Treasurer, Ms. Elizabeth Law, reported that according to the auditor’s report, the accounts gave a true and fair view of the state of affairs and cash flows of the Council as at March 31, 2022 and were properly prepared in accordance with SWD’s Lump Sum Grant Manual, Guide to Social Welfare Subventions and other operational guidelines as applicable.

On behalf of the Council, the Hon. Treasurer thanked the government, funding bodies, individuals and organizations for their trust and support. Proposed by Ms. Chan Ching Yee and seconded by Dr. Lui Wai Ling, the meeting unanimously accepted the accounts for the year ended March 31, 2022.

4. To appoint the Auditor for the year ended March 31, 2023  
Proposed by Ms. Chak Tung Ching and seconded by Dr. Lui Wai Ling, the meeting unanimously agreed to appoint Li, Tang, Chen & Co. as the Auditor of the Council for the year ended March 31, 2023.

**Keynote Speech by Officiating Guest**

5. Miss Charmaine Lee, Director of Social Welfare, was invited to attend the 75<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the HKCSS as the officiating guest and keynote speaker. She delivered a speech on social welfare issues that were of concern to the sector and participated in an interactive dialogue session with Mr. Chua Hoi Wai, Chief Executive of the HKCSS.

**“2021 Best Practice Awards in Social Welfare” Award Presentation Ceremony**

6. The award presentation ceremony of the "2021 Best Practice Awards in Social Welfare" had the theme of "Social Services under the Pandemic." It praised the awarded organizations and service units for their pursuit of high-quality social service programs, demonstrating outstanding dedication and promoting professional exchanges within the industry. The program aimed to pass on the excellent practices and experiences in social services and further garner public recognition for the contributions of the social welfare sector. Ms. Chak Tung Ching, the Chairperson of the organizing committee, delivered a speech and invited Miss Charmaine Lee, Director of Social Welfare, to present the awards to the winning organizations.

**Announcement of Election Results of the Executive Committee (2022-24) and Standing Committees (2022-23)**

7. Mr. Kennedy Liu, on behalf of the Election Committee, announced election results of the Executive Committee (2022-24) and Standing Committees (2022-23).

Executive Committee

Ms. CHAN Ching Yee, Susan	Hong Kong Association of Gerontology
Ms. CHAN Siu Lai	The Salvation Army
Mr. CHIU Han Man, Raymond	Baptist Oi Kwan Social Service
Dr. FUNG Cheung Tim	Richmond Fellowship of Hong Kong
Mrs. LAU, Patricia*	Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council Limited
Ms. LEE Shuk Ha, Carmen	Caritas - Hong Kong
Ms. LEUNG Siu Ling, Ivy	Christian Family Service Centre
Ms. LEUNG Wai Ling, Rachel	Heep Hong Society
Ms. YEUNG Kin Ha, Yvonne	Hong Kong Young Women's Christian Association

\*(2022-23)

Standing Committee on Service Development

Mr. CHAN Man Ho, Wilson	The Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups
Miss CHOW Mee Tim	Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council Limited
Ms. LEUNG Yuen Ching	Hong Kong Family Welfare Society
Ms. SIN Fung Yee, Sally	Evangelical Lutheran Church Social Service – Hong Kong
Mr. YIP Kin Chung	Hong Kong Evangelical Church Social Service Limited

Standing Committee on Policy Research and Advocacy

Mr. FUNG Kai Man, David	St. James' Settlement
Ms. KEUNG Choi Yin	Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council Limited
Ms. PANG Shuk Ling	Christian Family Service Centre
Ms. POON Fung Oi, Scarlet	Baptist Oi Kwan Social Service
Mr. SIN Chiu Hang, Benjamin	Caritas – Hong Kong

Standing Committee on Sector & Capacity Development

Ms. CHAN Lai Kwan, Queenie	Evangelical Lutheran Church Social Service – Hong Kong
Ms. CHAN Siu Lai	The Salvation Army
Ms. LEE Shuk Wai, Anthea	The Society of Rehabilitation and Crime Prevention, Hong Kong
Ms. LI Chi Mei, Cross	Hong Kong Christian Service
Ms. YEUNG Kin Ha, Yvonne	Hong Kong Young Women's Christian Association

Standing Committee on Public Engagement & Partnership

Ms. CHEUNG Wing Suet, Wendy	St. James' Settlement
Ms. LEE Mee Ling, Louisa	Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council Limited
Ms. NG, Angel	The Boys' Brigade, Hong Kong
Ms. TSE Ho Yi, Apple	Hong Kong Christian Service
Mr. WONG Chi Kit	Evangelical Lutheran Church Social Service – Hong Kong

Mr. Chua Hoi Wai, Chief Executive, thanked Mr. Kennedy Liu, Mr. Larry Kwok, and auditors from Li, Tang, Chen & Co. for assistance in the election. Mr. Chua also thanked all agency members, stakeholders and partners for their support to the Council.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Adopted by : \_\_\_\_\_

Date : \_\_\_\_\_