

THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE

Standing Committee on Policy Research and Advocacy
(2018-2019)

Minutes of the First meeting held on November 20, 2018 (Tuesday) at 3:00 pm in Room 505, 5/F.,
Harcourt House, 39 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong

Present

Mr. Wong Chi Hung, Edmond (Chairperson)	- Caritas – Hong Kong
Ms. Hung Tak Fung, Anchor (Vice-Chairperson)	- Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation
Ms. Karrie Chan	- Hong Kong Christian Service
Dr. Fan Ling	- Health in Action Limited
Mr. Charles Ng	- Christian Family Service Centre
Dr Tam Yat Hung	- University of Hong Kong
Ms. Cindy Pun	- The Tsung Tsin Mission of Hong Kong Social Service
Mr. Francis Chau	- The Association of Evangelical Free Churches of Hong Kong
Mr. Bill Lay	- Caritas – Hong Kong (Representative of Specialized Committee on Social Development)
Mr. James Tsim	- Hong Kong Christian Service (Representative of Specialized Committee on Social Security and Employment Policy)

In-attendance

Mr. Anthony Wong	- HKCSS
Mr. Peace Wong	- HKCSS
Ms. Karen Yiu	- HKCSS
Mr. Keith Wong	- HKCSS
Ms. Olivia Ip (Recorder)	- HKCSS

Apologies

Dr. Annessa Lui	- Hong Kong Lutheran Social Service
Ms. Sky Siu	- Kely Support Groups
Ms. Ngai Mei Mui, Angela	- Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups

1. Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

1.1 Nominated by Mr. Francis Chau, and seconded by Mr. Wong Kwai Yau, Mr. Edmond Wong was elected as Chairperson unanimously.

1.2 Nominated by Mr. Wong Kwai Yau, and seconded by Ms. Karrie Chan, Ms. Hung Tak Fung, Anchor was elected as Vice-Chairperson unanimously.

1.3 The Chairperson, Mr. Edmond Wong would be the representative to the Council's Executive Committee.

2. To adopt the agenda of meeting

The agenda was adopted.

3. To adopt the minutes of last meeting

The minutes of last meeting were confirmed without any amendment.

4. Matters for Discussion

4.1 Mid-Year Progress

4.1.1 PRA Business Plan 2018-19 – Mid-year Progress of the Major Initiatives highlight was circulated to members before the meeting.

4.1.2 Mr. Anthony Wong briefly introduced the PRA structure and work progress to members.

4.1.3 Mr. Anthony Wong highlighted the followings:

- a) The HKSAR Government announced the 2017 poverty situation in Hong Kong on November 19, 2018.
- b) Mr. Chua Hoi Wai, Chief Executive of HKCSS attended a radio program this morning (November 20, 2019) to respond poverty and CSSA questions.
- c) The Youth Career Capability Finding released on December 18, 2018. Second quarter finding was scheduled to be released on February 19, 2019.
- d) One-day Symposium on Multiple Pathways for Vocational Development of Youth would be held at December 20, 2018. Two keynote speakers were Prof. William SYMONDS, Director, Global Pathways Institute, USA and Prof. CHOI Un Shil, Former Dean of Graduate School of Education and Director of University Lifelong Education Institute Ajou University, Korea.
- e) Cross team work on Carer Campaign, which was led by HKCSS Service Team, Mr. Keith Wong, Mr. Moses Mui and Peace Wong were members of the Staff Group. Ms. Vivian Lou released a research study recently.
- f) SSEP team was now working on the Carer Allowance Research which was funded by Community Care Fund.
- g) Ms. Anchor Hung would share Carer Study - Carers Allowance to Persons with chronic illness/ Disabilities in 2015 which was prepared by Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation after the meeting.

Post-meeting note:

Ms. Anchor Hung circulated the report via email to members of PRA on December 6, 2018.

- h) Mr. Wong Kwai Yau reported that SSEP was going to redefine the meaning

of “Carer”.

- i) A survey on CSSA Special Allowance for Able-adult applicants were released and submitted to Bureau.
- j) Housing:
 - Steering Committee on Social Housing was formed. Project on Community Housing Movement and Modular Social Housing were widely accepted by the Government, business sectors and stakeholders.
 - Demolition of the Nam Cheong Street site had been completed and the site would be taken over from the developer in late Nov 2018.
 - Two government sites were applied for development of modular housing projects.
- k) District Health Centre:
 - Dr. Tam was the Chairperson of the Working Group to follow up this issue.
 - Proposal submitted to government for consideration.
 - Proposed to organize a study visit to Singapore on district health.
 - 2 working team were set up:
 - Housing working group, members were: Mr. Tang Po Shan, Mr. Edmond Wong, Mr. Fung Kwok Kin, Mr. Peter Wong, Ms. Wong Shek Hung, Mr. Ng Sze On and Mr. Cham Kwok Wing.
 - Health District working group, members were: Dr. Tam Yat Hung, Dr. Fan Ning, Ms. Anchor Hung, Mr. Wong Bo Lung, Ms. Eva Chan.
 - Social Innovation (Long Term financial model)
 - SIEF members suggested and proposed too set up a pay-for-success model project, HKCSS submitted proposal to SIE Fund and known that the project was successful.

4.2 Initial idea on business plan for 2019-2020

- a) Chairperson encouraged members to give opinion for preparing the 2019-2020 business plan.
- b) Members suggested to consider following up Carer / Rehabilitation Programme Plan / Health on primary care issues.
- c) Chairperson and members agreed to discuss Draft Business Plan for 2019-2020 would be discussed at next PRA Standing Committee meeting.

5. Co-opt member

5.1 In the meeting, members suggested to nominate one of the followings into the committee, they were:

- Dr. Wong Yu Cheung
- Mr. Tai Kin Man

- Ms. Lee Fung King
- Ms. Chan Hiu Lui
- Mr. Lee Chee Yung

5.2 Chairperson suggested discussing this item at our next PRA Standing Committee meeting.

6. Matters for Reporting

6.1 Community Housing Movement Project

- 39 units in To Kwa Wan Ha Heung Road had been renovated. Salvation Army was appointed as the service operator.
- 11 units in Tuen Mun Po Wah Garden. Yan Oi Tong was appointed as the service operator.
- 5 units in North Point, had been leased from the Lands Department. Renovation work would be carried out soon and tenants expected to move-in in 2019.
- Two individual owner's unit would start renovation in November. Service operators had been selected and tenants were expected to move-in in early January.

6.2 Modula Social Housing Project

- Design and Construction were in progress. Hoped that it could be move-in at the 4th quarter of 2019.
- Demolition of the Nam Cheong Street site had been completed and the site would be taken over from the developer in late Nov 2018.

7. Any Other Business

HKCSS Extended Governance Meeting would be held at January 28, 2019.

8. Date of Next Meeting

Proposed next meeting would be held at:

1st priority: January 11, 2019 at 3:00pm

2nd priority: January 8, 2019 at 3:00pm

Post-meeting note:

The meeting was fixed to be held at **January 11, 2019 from 3:00pm in Room 203, 2/F., Duke of Windsor Social Service Building, 15, Hennessy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.**

Adopted by : _____
Mr. Edmond Wong Chi Hung
Chairperson

Date : _____