

**The Hong Kong Council of Social Service**  
**Policy Research & Advocacy**  
**Specialized Committee on Social Development (2016/2017)**

**Minute of the Third Meeting**

<b>Date:</b>	30 March, 2017 (Thursday)	
<b>Time:</b>	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.	
<b>Venue:</b>	Room 1204, Duke of Windsor Social Service Building	
<b>Present:</b>	Mr. CHAN Kin Hung, Charles (Chairperson)	- The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hong Kong
	Mr. SIN Leung Kai (Vice Chairperson)	- The Salvation Army - New Territories West Integrated Service
	Ms. CHAN Chung Ho, Karrie	- Hong Kong Christian Service
	Ms. LIU Kam Fung, Iris	- International Social Service Hong Kong Branch
	Mr. Keith Wong (Secretary)	- The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
	Mr. NG Sze On	- St. James' Settlement
	Mr. LAY Yan Piau, Bill	- Caritas – Hong Kong
	Dr. CHUNG Ting Yiu, Robert	- The University of Hong Kong Public Opinion Programme (Co-opted)
	Dr. CHUNG Kim Wah	- Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Co-opted)
<b>In attendance:</b>	Mr. Charles Ho	- The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
	Ms. Agnes Yang (Recorder)	- The Hong Kong Council of Social Service

**1. To receive the agenda**

The agenda was adopted without amendment.

**2. To confirm minute of the last meeting**

The minute was adopted with without amendment.

**3. Business Update**

**3.1 Policy Research and Advocacy**

Our Council had cooperated with Christian Concern for the Homeless Association to invite Mingpao to interview kind-hearted owners who provide affordable decent housing for low-income families. This feature has been released on March 5. At the same time, the Council is going to organize a round table on the elderly social housing and community care on April 20.

Four guest speakers including a Netherland's operator of cross-generation elderly home are invited to introduce their services. Members were invited to join the roundtable.

### 3.2 Social Impact Assessment

Centre for Social Impact will conduct eleven SIA projects from 2017 to 2019. Given the consideration of the workload and the need of business development, the Centre will apply for one more new head count.

There were 120 participants joined the EBP conference cum workshop on March 23 and 24. Positive feedbacks were heard but some researchers thought that some of the sharing was too shallow. Activities for more advanced groups are suggested.

### 3.3 Annual Business Report 2016-2017

Mr. Keith Wong reported that most of the deliverables listed in the year plan, including the Chest and FSA items, were completed on time. Mr. Keith Wong highlighted two items to the members. The first one was the promotion of container house, which was a success in arousing public's interest and awareness of using the container house for recreational purpose. The second one was the study on public health policy. Given extra new items for the advocacy works on housing were launched during the year, the research will be extended in the 2<sup>nd</sup> season of 2017.

### 3.4 Revamp of SDI – Meeting with HKU

Mr. Keith Wong and Mr. Charles Ho had a meeting with Dr. Robert Chung and his team to discuss the possibility of revamping SDI. The team will further discuss with the Business Director and explore if consultant service is needed for revamping SDI.

### 3.5 Other Updates

#### Overseas Event

There were 2 applicants for the European Conference for Social Work Research 2017 but one withdrawn. The agency the applicant works for is not a Chest's member thus he is not eligible for the application.

#### 2030+ Consultation Paper

The Hong Kong government is running a public engagement campaign on "Hong Kong 2030+: Towards a Planning Vision and Strategy Transcending 2030" with a view to develop Hong Kong as a livable, competitive and sustainable "Asia's World City". To facilitate our service sector and service users to express their views on the future social service development, the Hong Kong Council of Social Service will organize a discussion forum entitled "Planning for an Inclusive and Livable City" on April 11. We will invite Mr Kenneth To and Mr Chow Sung-ming to highlight the major contents of the study and the meanings to the participants to facilitate our discussion.

## **4. Matters for discussion**

### 4.1 Year Plan 2017-2018 (Quick update)

Mr. Keith Wong gave a quick update on research projects.

- The pilot study on the Youth Community Participation Project will be extended to Dec 2017 given the project is extended as well.
- A new research on supporting network of new public rental house will be conduct soon.
- By membership team’s request, SD team will conduct an impact evaluation on the Project Star.

#### 4.2 Insight from the CE Election for advocacy work

Regarding the CE Election 2017, Mr. Keith Wong engaged members to share their observation and views. Members thought that they got quite a number of insights from the election and they agreed that the most important thing is to consider how to work further and communicate with the new ruling team for service development and policy advocacy works.

### 5. Any other business

#### 5.1 Alignment of Business Directors Responsibilities

With effect from April 1, 2017, responsibilities of the four Business Directors would be aligned with 4 sub-units (ICA will effect from October, 2017). To have a closer link up with service and policy advocacy, Child and Youth unit and Family and Community Service unit will be under the Policy Research and Advocacy team. Yet, the HKCSS’s core businesses and structure remain unchanged.

#### 5.2 Overseas Event

The 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Practice Research will take place in HK on 22-24 May 2017. Mr. Charles Chan, Ms. Karrie Chan and Ms. Iris Liu agreed to serve again as the members of Vetting Panel for this conference.

### 6. Next date of meeting

The meeting was subsequently scheduled on May 18, 2017 at 10:00 a.m..

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Confirmed by :

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Charles Chan  
 Chairperson of Specialized Committee on  
 Social Development

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May 18, 2017