

## THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE

Service Development (Family & Community)

### **Specialized Committee on Family and Community Service**

Minutes of the 4th Meeting of the Specialized Committee on Family and Community Service (2018-19) held on May 8, 2019 (Wednesday) at Room 1401, 14/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
Dr FAN Ning	Health in Action Limited
Ms Jessie YU	Hong Kong Single Parents Association
Mr Kerin CHAM	International Social Service Hong Kong Branch
Ms Ramy CHAK	The Salvation Army
Ms Angela CHENG	Society for the Aid and Rehabilitation of Drug Abusers
Mr Daniel CHU	Yang Memorial Methodist Social Service
Ms Lea YIP	Breakthrough Limited
Mrs Doris LEE	Harmony House Limited
Ms Florence KONG	Hong Kong Christian Service
Ms Polly PANG	Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Lady MacLehose Centre
Ms KEUNG Choi-yin	Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council limited
Dr Margaret WONG	Hong Kong Shue Yan University
Ms Carol NG	Hong Kong Lutheran Social Service, Lutheran Church - Hong Kong Synod
Mr Anthony WONG	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Mr Moses MUI	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Ms Lynn LAW	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Mr W S CHAN	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Ms Blanche KI	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Ms Noel CHOW (recorder)	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service

#### **Apologies**

Ms HSU Siu-man	The Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups
Ms Charrix LEE	Hong Kong Family Welfare Society
Mr Kenny NG	Community Development Alliance
Ms Sky SIU	Kely Support Group

#### **1. Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting**

The draft minutes of the meeting held on March 13, 2019 was circulated by email on March 26, 2019 and was confirmed with nil amendment.

#### **2. Matters Arising**

##### **2.1 Maintenance Related Issues**

Mr Billy Wong updated members of the progress of the Working Group by taking members through Paper 1a: 贍養費政策事宜工作小組工作進度報告 and paper 1b:

設立贍養費專責部門為離婚單親家庭提供生活保障（社聯建議書）。 Ms Jessie Yu highlighted the consideration for the major revision of the paper.

Mr Moses Mui supplemented that meetings with LegCo members have been arranged on May 15 and May 30 while the issue of will be discussed in the Welfare Panel meeting in June 2019.

Members were also noted that the HKU consultant study is still in progress and the interim report might be ready by end of June 2019. The Working Group will keep in view of this.

## 2.2 Welfare Agenda & Priorities Setting 2019

Paper 2: The draft paper confirmed by members through email circulation was sent out to SWD in April 2019. The confirmed agendas were:

- i) 支援居於不適切住房的基層家庭;
- ii) 加強支援少數族裔人士; and
- iii) 加強對濫藥者家人的支援.

Regarding the agenda of drug abusing parent, some members suggested to emphasis the preventive perspective and highlight the effectiveness of intervention. Moreover, the foster parent issue was also raised in the meeting.

Members were encouraged to bring out the concern and recommendations in the WAPS meeting on May 15, 2019. Further division of work will be followed up by respective Networks.

## 2.3 Business Plan 2019-2020

Due to insufficient number of subsidy applicants, Mr Moses Mui reported that the Council's delegation for "Women Deliver 2019 Conference" was called off.

## 3. Family Service Programme Plan

Paper 3: The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Selected was sent to members for reference before the meeting.

Mr Moses Mui updated that the Task Group on FSPP held their first meeting on April 8, 2019. Dr Margaret Wong was elected as convenor.

Members agreed that international policy framework would be borrowed to guide the discussion within local context. Besides, members agreed that UN SDGs would be a good reference to widen the discussion from holistic perspective (i.e. not only confined to welfare service aspect). The Task Group would further work out the framework and formulate the engagement plan in next meeting on June 19, 2019.

#### **4. Review Report of the Task Force on Home-school Co-operation and Parent Education**

With reference to Paper 4: 家校合作及家長教育專責小組提出的十八項建議, Mr Moses Mui briefed members the 18 recommendations attached in the review report in detail.

After discussion, members commented the followings:

- i) The additional subsidy for PTA/FPTA would not be sufficient for large impact.
- ii) The aim and implication of the proposed framework of parent education is not clear.
- iii) The role of NGOs needed to be further discussed with the EDB and the education sector.
- iv) Cross-sector exchange between NGO and school personnel/parent should be facilitated. Idea of organizing Expo could be considered.
- v) Invite EDB for meeting to exchange views on the review report, in particular on the recommendations related to NGOs.

*(Post-meeting note: meeting with EDB was held on May 22 with participation of members.)*

#### **5. For Information**

##### **5.1 2019 Best Practice Awards in Social Welfare**

Mr W S Chan reported that the adjudication process was undergone. 10 themed topics and 17 general topics were elected. The Awards would be presented on November 18, 2019 after Council's annual general meeting.

#### **6. Progress Update**

The Progress Report (May 2019) of the Family and Community Service (paper 5) had been sent to members for information.

The following items were included:

- i) Parental Substance Abuse
- ii) Community Development Resource Book
- iii) Family Service Programme Plan
- iv) Jockey Club FamConnect Project

Mr W S Chan highlighted the CD Resource Book had entered into the final editing stage. It would be launched on October 21, 2019 at Caritas Institute of Higher Education.

#### **7. Any Other Business**

Nil

#### **8. Date of Next Meeting - Proposed Meeting Schedule**

The next meeting would be held on July 10, 2019 (Wednesday) at 2:30 pm in Room 1410, Duke of Windsor Social Service Building.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Adopted by

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Chairperson  
on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2019