# The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Eastern Canada) Association



### **Annual General Meeting**

2014

Sunday, Sept 28, 2014

Venue:

Dragon Dynasty Restaurant 龍騰金閣 2301 Brimley Road, Scarborough, ON M1S 5B8

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### **PROGRAMME**

5:30 p.m. Registration

6:00 p.m. Annual General Meeting

7:30 p.m. Dinner

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### **Annual General Meeting 2014**

### **AGENDA**

- 1. To receive report from the President on activities throughout the year;
- 2. To receive and approve Treasurer's report for the financial year ended June 30, 2014;
- 3. To elect/confirm new Directors of the Board for the term 2014 2016;
- 4. To transact such other business as may properly come before the Meeting.





### Message

It is my great pleasure to extend my heartiest congratulations to The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Eastern Canada) Association on the special occasion of its Annual General Meeting and 15th Anniversary Celebration Dinner.

Over the past 15 years, the Association has been working very hard to enhance the bonds among our alumni and former staff, and to strengthen its members' connections with PolyU. Its achievements in creating synergy to facilitate the development of the University through various activities have been most commendable.

My deepest appreciation goes to all members and friends of the Association for volunteering their time and effort in steering the development of the Association. I sincerely wish the Association every success and look forward to their continued support to the University in the years to come.

Timothy W. Tong, Ph.D.

President

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

September 2014

President Report 2014

28th September 2014

Dear Members and Guests.

Good evening everyone. I want to thank you all for coming to the 2014 HKPUECA  $15^{th}$  Annual General Meeting and dinner.

During my one year in office, I have learned a lot. One important thing I have learned is there are still a lot that I have to learn. That is the reason why, my report starts with "Thank You". First of all, I want to thank my fellow directors for their dedication and patience in coaching me during my learning process; a big thank you for our volunteers for their assistance at various events, and of course, our members for showing their support by actively participating in our activities. Everyone of you contributes to making the Association better.

As I have said for more than once, I would like to see better cohesiveness among members, as cohesiveness brings involvement and growth. During this year, your Board has been trying to have more varieties in programs and activities. I receive support and I also receive comments on how to improve. I know that I need both so that we will continue to move in the right direction. I want to thank you for the support and also thank you for the comments.

Before I get to the highlights for the past year, I want to extend my thanks to the following outgoing directors, for their service and contribution to the Association. They are:

Alex Tang

Kenneth Lai

Paul Cheuna

Samuel Cheng

Tommy Chang

I would also like to thank Daniel Lee for his service and contribution to the Association. Daniel has resigned from the Board in July due to personal reason.

Current Board Members remaining are: Ambrose Lau, Elliot Tse, Mimie Chow.

After goodbyes are welcome, I would like to welcome Lawrence Hui, Richard Huang, Samson Yu, Cindy Luk, and Wing Man who have recently joined our Association.

Our highlights of the past year starts with our last AGM, with the generous support of our members, the Association donated HK\$6,000.00 to "The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Eastern Canada) Association Scholarship {香港理工大學(加拿大東)員生會獎學金}" established with our Alma Mater. The scholarship would help the needy to pursue their education at PolyU.

A HK\$5,000 Scholarship was awarded to Miss WONG Wing Huen, a second-year student from BSc (Hons) in Surveying. Miss Wong was selected based on her excellent academic performance and outstanding community service involvement. (Notified by Student Affairs Office, Poly U April 2, 2014.)

A big "Thank You" again to our members. Let's continue with this meaningful effort.

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Our first activity after AGM met with 15 cm snow on December 14, 2013. However, we still have 12 members attending to support two our Alumni – Joe Cho and Franklin Chau at their mini-concert.

On the next day, December 15, 2013, members were invited to Alan Ho's Season Party at Victoria Square Community Centre.

Our new year began with our Year of the Horse Spring Dinner which was being held at Emperor Fine Chinese Cuisine 君臨天下海鮮酒樓 on February 21, 2014.

On April 25, 2014, we had hosted a dinner in honour of our PolyU President, Professor Timothy Tong, who was visiting Toronto and attended our dinner to commemorate the kick off of our 15th Anniversary Celebration (十五週年啟動儀式). The dinner was well attended by over 110 members and guests who enjoyed Professor Tong's guitar performance.

During the dinner, Professor Tong updated us on the changes/developments/achievements of PolyU and also invited all alumni to drop by our alma mater and witness some of the wonderful programs and initiatives that are taking place.

On May 12, 2014, your Board had approved to donate a brick (HK\$10,000) to our Alma Mater to support the Keswick Hall Commemorative Brick Donation program.

Our first hiking trip started on June 1, 2014 at Rouge Park, the east end of Toronto. Our Hiking Leader, Dr. Raymond Wong led the hiking tour for 2 hours. Weather was excellent and about 40 members and friends participate.

On June 22, 2014, we have a dim sum gathering with Social Work Intern Students from HKPU. The luncheon was co-ordinated by Chie Hong Wu and attended by 7 directors and their spouses.

We have successfully completed recordings for 4 sessions of 那些年的大學歲月 hosted by Canadian Chinese Radio 華語電台 with Alan Ho, Alex Tang, Ambrose Lau, Elliot Tse and Samuel Cheng speaking about 上堂/走堂, 課外活動, 實習, 談戀愛!

On June 28, 2014, Dr. Peter Chang once again took the time and shared with our members and friends on the subject of mental health. The talk on Depression: Life is not a bed or roses, but when does it qualify as sickness? The speech generated a lot of interest and questions. We already received request for encore from attendants.

On July 19, 2014, Dr Raymond Wong, our Hiking Leader, led us for a walk in Col Danforth Park Trail. Weather was excellent and about 20 members and friends participate. No surprise, the walk was followed by dim sum lunch joined by some non-walking members.

On August 19, 2014, our Program Director, arranged a one day tour to St Jacob - walking on the main street and shopping at the Farmers' Market and Outlet Mall, in a nice weather, followed by dinner at a Japanese Restaurant. 18 Members and friends participated.

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Directors have a busy day on September 13, 2014, our Association made a donation of \$200 to Canada-HK New Horizon Lions Club and participate in the New Horizon Championship 2014 - Table Tennis Tournament. On the same day, we also have a visitor from HKPU, Office of Careers and Placement Services, Doris Cheng. We booked a Chinese Restaurant on the same road and Directors are going up and down amidst cheering and meeting Doris.

### What is going on now?

We are preparing for the HK Joint Universities Alumni Ontario Talent Night. This year, the Joint U Alumni decided to test talents instead of our athletic skills. If members want to see how talented we are, join the dinner on October 18, 2014. Register tonight.

As you will see from Professor Tong's video to us, our Alma Mater is going Face Book, Twitter.... Our new Board of Directors will be exploring about setting up our Face Book page.

With the new Board in place, a new President will be elected. I am confident the new Board will continue to direct our Association to be one of the largest overseas chapter of PolyU.

This year, we are celebrating our  $15^{th}$  Anniversary. At Anniversaries, we always remember the beginning. Once again, my thank you to the Founding Directors and Committee Members and those heroes behind the scene for establishing the foundation of the Alumni.

Lastly, I want to thank every one of you and also my sincere appreciation to PolyU's President Prof. Timothy Tong and the staffs at the Alumni Affairs and Development Office for their continuing support.

Yours truly,

Mimie Chow President HKPUECA

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### Board of Directors (2013 – 2014)

President Mimie Chow
First Vice-President Kenneth Lai
Second Vice-President Samuel Cheng
Secretary Tommy Chang
Treasurer Daniel Lee
Membership Alex Tang
Programme Paul Cheung

Publication and Communication Ambrose Lau & Elliot Tse

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#### **EXAMPLE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY (EASTERN CANADA) ASSOCIATION**

### Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of HKPUECA Held on Sunday, October 20, 2013 at 6:00 pm At Dragon Dynasty Chinese Cuisine 2301 Brimley Road, Scarborough, Ontario

The meeting was call to order by the Deputy Secretary. The quorum was checked. The count was 24. The quorum was fulfilled.

The meeting officially commenced. All members present were handed a copy of the 2013 AGM Booklet which included:

- Message from Prof T. Tong, President of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- Agenda of Annual General Meeting 2013
- President's Report 2013
- Minutes of AGM Meeting held on September 23, 2012
- Financial Statement as of June 30, 2013
- 1 Ambrose Lau presented the Agenda. Raymond Wong moved to accept the agenda as presented. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alex Tang. 19 voted for and no against. Motion carried.
- 2 Ambrose Lau presented the Minutes of the 2012 AGM. S K Chung moved to accept the minutes as presented. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandy Chu. 18 voted for and no against. Motion carried.
- The President, Kenneth Lai, presented the President's Report and gave a summary of past year's activities. Randy Leung moved to accept the President's Report as presented. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pauline Tsang. No objection. Motion carried.
- The Treasurer, Alex Tang, presented the Treasury Report. The Treasurer began report by explaining the Excess of expenses over Revenue is due to the uniform order on behalf of players and for future activities. Pauline Tsang recommended indicating inventory of uniform and offsetting expenses at sales. It was explained that a list of all inventory have been kept.

Daniel Hui queried on the \$3,320.36 HKETO & JU 2013 activities advance. Kenneth Lai explained that this year 2013, HKPUECA is in charge of the activity events of the Hong Kong Universities Alumni Association (Ontario). These are advance money from the 6 universities alumni and carried forward from last year's Chair. They are not our asset only temporarily in trust for HKJU.

Further question was raised regarding the assets \$52,210.41, can we make other use of the asset. For example, more scholarship. Pauline Tsang explained that out of the total assets, \$36,853.47 was our Life Membership fee collected. These are used to generate interest income to be our yearly revenues. Our Board and previous Board decided to maintain about \$5,000 in cash in our bank account and prohibited spending beyond this in any individual year. The balance of the fund is locked in GIC/fixed deposit at bank for yielding higher interest rate.

Viola Tang moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Samuel Cheng, No objection, Motion carried.

5 Election of new (4) Directors. The floor was handed over to Dr. Raymond Wong, Chair of the Nomination and Election Committee.

Dr. Wong reported that there were 5 candidates but 1 withdrew. The final count was 4 candidates running for 4 open positions. The candidates were elected by default. There being no objection. The 4 new directors were: Daniel Lee (new), Ambrose Lau (re-elected), Elliot Tse (re-elected) and Mimie Chow (re-elected).

There being no other business, Paul Cheung moved to adjourn the meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elliot Tse. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Recorded by: Ambrose Lau Deputy Secretary Approved by: Kenneth Lai President

### Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Eastern Canada) Association Financial Statements (in Canadian dololars)

### Summarized Balance Sheet as at Jun 30, 2014

Assets			2014	2013
	Cash at Banks	•	4,939.50	7,427.14
	Term Deposits		43,780.68	46,103.63
	HKET & JU 2014 activities advance			-
	Total Assets		48,720.18	53,530.77
	Internally restricted for Contingency Reserves		37,603.47	36,853.47
	Unrestricted Net assets		11,116.71	16,677.30
	Total Net Assets		48,720.18	53,530.77

<sup>\*</sup> for comparison purpose

### Statements of Operations for the year ended June 30, 2014

		Internally		
Revenues		Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
	Life membership fees	750.00	-	750.00
	Annual membership fees	-	380.00	380.00
	Interest income	-	748.87	748.87
	Activities and events net income	-	1,187.40	1,187.40
	Other income (HKJU Event)	-	2,025.53	2,025.53
	Total Revenues	750.00	4,341.80	5,091.80
Expenses				
	Donation to H K PolyU scholoarship	-	815.00	815.00
	Purchased materials and services	-	2,383.63	2,383.63
	Bank charges	-	12.85	12.85
	HKJU Event) & \$13.62 unfound item	-	6,690.91	6,690.91
	Total Expenses	-	9,902.39	9,902.39
Excess of expenses over revenue		750.00 -	5,560.59 -	4,810.59
Net assets, beginning of the year		36,853.47	16,677.30	53,530.77
Net assets, end of the year		37,603.47	11,116.71	48,720.18

### HKPUECA 15th Anniversary Kickoff & Professor Tong's Visit

Kick Off with our Founding Members



Our Guests

### Our Souvenir to Professor Tong







### HKPUECA 15th Anniversary Kickoff & Professor Tong's Visit

**Our Performers** 







Happy moments at our New Year Spring Dinner

Directors' Toast



Dim sum gathering with Social Work Intern Students from HKPU



Dr Peter Chang talk on Depression: Life is not a bed or roses, but when does it qualify as sickness?



### Cheers and Athletes at Canada-HK New Horizon Lions Club Table Tennis Tournament



Hiking Trips Led by Dr Raymond Wong, our Hiking Leader

Rouge Park



Col Danforth Park Trail

