

Summary of the 129th Council Plenary Session held on 19 September 2022

1. The ensuing items were considered and approved by Council:

Human Resources

With retrospective effect from 1 April 2022:

- The application of the proposed General Pay Adjustment (GPA) rate to the salaries of non-academic staff;
- The application of the proposed GPA rate to the salaries of substantiation-track faculty, teaching-track faculty, research faculty ranks, teaching support staff and legacy instructor grade staff, with adjustments of the starting salaries and salary ranges;
- The application of the proposed GPA rate to the salaries of research support staff, with adjustments of the respective salary ranges.

Campus Development

- The project cost budget for the Martin Ka Shing Lee Innovation Building construction works and the award of the related Main Contract.
- The Outline Business Case for the new Research Building 3 and the proposed terms of reference and membership of the associated Project Board.

Membership – Appointments

- The proposed new appointments of five Members to the Court.
- The proposed new appointment of a Member to the 2022/23 Honorary Awards Committee of Council.

Donation

- The acceptance of a donation pledge from Mr Stephen Chang-Min King, Ms Daphne Lynn King, Mr Geoffrey Chang-Wei King, and the naming of the Center for Asian Family Business and Family Office after Prof Roger King.

- The acceptance of a donation pledge from Yue Xiu Enterprises (Holdings) Limited and the naming of the 12th to 14th One Million Dollar Entrepreneurship Competition National Grand Final after the donor.
- The naming of the Sustainable Consumer Programme, funded by The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, as ‘Jockey Club Sustainable Campus Consumer Programme’ and ‘賽馬會綠續·源園’ in Chinese, following Council’s approval in 2021 of accepting the donation pledge for the Programme and the naming of the Programme after the donor.

2021 Main Congregation

- The updated schedule and session arrangements of the 2022 University Congregation, including the proposed presiding officers of the University-wide sessions.

Others

- The proposed establishment of a Legal Affairs Committee under Council.
- The proposed revisions to the Terms of Reference and/or Scope of Responsibilities of the Audit Committee and Finance Committee under Council, primarily for clarifying the Committees’ role in reviewing the financial statements of the three InnoHK Companies set up by the University under the HKSAR Government’s InnoHK Clusters initiative.

2. Council also took note of:

- The annual declaration and the list of non-UGC funded research projects with a waiver of overhead charges, for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022.