HONG KONG ASSOCIATION OF HEADS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS 香港中學校長會



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2009/2010 Newsletter No. 1

Dear Colleagues,

In this first newsletter of the year, may I extend the warmest regards from the Executive Committee to our new and current members, and wish you all a prosperous and fruitful year ahead. After taking up the post of vice-chairman for some years, I am glad to serve you again in the capacity of the Honorary Secretary and you will be hearing from me about the Association regularly.

I am very pleased to inform you of the following news:

1. Annual General Meeting (2009/10)

The Annual General Meeting was held on 8 December 2009 and 124 members and associate members attended. We were very happy to have Professor Edmond Ko In-ming to share with us on "**Building a Learning Paradigm School**" which was very inspiring. We are now working further with Professor Ko to explore opportunities for sharing his experiences in the context of local secondary schools.

In the AGM, we passed the resolution to amend the constitution to cater for the arising needs and the increase in subscription fee in the next academic year. A copy of the latest version of the constitution is attached with this letter. With much delight, the AGM also passed the appointment of Mr. Michael Wong Wai Yu, our out-going chairman as the Honorary Resources Adviser of the Association to enhance the further development of the Association. Attached please also find the draft minutes for your reference and perusal. Please inform the Honorary Secretary of any suggested amendments by e-mail at rl@ywgs.edu.hk or through telephone at 2548-6047.

2. Membership drive and membership list

At present we have 379 Full members and 96 Associate members. Your warm and continuing support for the Association is highly appreciated. We strive to include every colleague who is interested in the Association and shares with us our mission and vision. If you know of a colleague who is not a member yet, please advise and invite him/her to join us. Former principals are welcome to join us as Associate members and they only need to pay an one-off subscription fee instead of annual renewal. Application forms could be downloaded from our website.

The updated Membership List is available for download on our website (*www.hkahss.edu.hk*). If you choose not to have your contact information made available on our website, please inform Mr. Yip Kam Yuen William (*principal@yck2.edu.hk*).

3. The Executive Committee and Co-opted Members

The Executive Committee members met immediately after the AGM and the following posts were filled by election at the meeting:

Office bearers	Name	School
Chairperson	Dr. Yuen Pong Yiu (2673 1778)	Tin Ka Ping Secondary School
Vice-Chairperson	Ms. Lee Suet Ying (2109 1001)	Ho Yu College and Primary School (Sponsored by Sik Sik Yuen)
	Mr. Ng Sui Kou (2425 3563)	Ho Fung College (Sponsored by Sik Sik Yuen)
Hon. Secretary	Dr. Ho Sai Mun, Stanley (2382 0002)	LST Wong Chung Ming Secondary School
	Mrs. Lee Shek Yuk Yu, Ruth (2548 6047)	Ying Wa Girls' School
Hon. Treasurer	Mr. Ho Ki To (2450 1402)	STFA Tam Pak Yu College
Executive Committee Members	Mr. Choi Sung Ki (2386 0737)	Kowloon Technical School
	Ms. Kwan Wai Fong, Louise (2320 3884)	Caritas Pelletier School
	Mr. Yip Kam Yuen, William (2551 8285)	Yu Chun Keung Memorial College No. 2
Co-opted Members:	Mr. Ho Moon Tim, Jack (2421 2580)	Buddhist Sin Tak College
	Mr. Lau Chiu Yin, Peter (2552 0080)	St. Peter's Secondary School
	Dr. Law Chan Fai (2891 6966)	Lingnan Secondary School
	Mr. Lee Chee Wah, Roger (23368838)	Ying Wa College
	Mr. Li Lok Yin, Vincent (28950077)	Queen's College
	Ms. Yau Kit Ying, Veronica (2144 4545)	Fanling Kau Yan college
Hon. Adviser	Mr. Michael Wong	

We have also invited *Mrs. Cheung Wai Yee Addy* (The Salvation Army Shek Wu School), *Mr. Fung Sui Hing Brian* (China Holiness Church Living Spirit College), *Mrs. Kwok Lau Lai Ying Grace* (MFBM Chan Lui Chung Tak Memorial College), *Miss Lau Yiu Hung* (Sai Kung Sung Tsun Catholic School – Secondary Section), *Mrs. Tam Cheung Kit Ying Grace* (St. Margaret's Co-educational English Secondary and Primary School), *Ms. Tse Kit Fong Heidi* (Pentecostal School), and *Sister Wong May May* (Tack Ching Girls' Secondary School) to serve on the Task Groups.

4. Task Groups for 2009/2010

The Executive Committee set up the following Task Groups to monitor, address, and resolve various issues, and to take action where appropriate. We need the participation of and contribution from our members and gratefully welcome your input. Please contact the Convener of each Task Group directly for information, comments, suggestions and participation.

A. NSS and SBA

Dr. Ho Sai Mun (Convener), Mr. Ho Moon Tim Jack, Ms Lau Yiu Hung, Mr. Lee Chee Wah Roger, Mr. Li Lok Yin Vincent, Mr. Ng Sui Kou, Ms. Tse Kit Fong Heidi

B. Integrated Education

Ms. Lee Suet Ying (Convener), Mrs. Cheung Wai Yee Addy, Mr. Choi Sung Ki, Ms. Kwan Wai Fong Louise, Dr. Yuen Pong Yiu

C. Value Education and Character Building

Dr. Law Chan Fai(Convener), Mrs. Lee Shek Yuk Yu Ruth, Mr. Lau Chiu Yin Peter, Mr. Lee Chee Wah Roger, Sr. Wong May May

D. Class Size and Restructuring

Dr. Yuen Pong Yiu (Convener), Mr. Fung Sui Hing Brian, Mr. Ho Ki To, Ms. Lau Yiu Hung, Ms. Lee Suet Ying, Dr. Ho Sai Mun Stanley, Ms. Yau Kit Ying Veronica

E. Continuing Professional Development for Members/Associate Members

Mr. Ho Moon Tim Jack (Convener), Mrs. Kwok Lau Lai Ying Grace, Mrs. Lee Shek Yuk Yu Ruth, Mr. Li Lok Yin Vincent, Ms. Tse Kit Fong Heidi, Sr. Wong May May, Mr. Yip Kam Yuen William

F. Happy Hour Forum

Mrs. Kwok Lau Lai Ying Grace (Convener), Mr. Ho Ki To, Mr. Ng Sui Kou, Ms. Tse Kit Fong Heidi

G. Drug Education

Ms Yau Kit Ying Veronica (Convener), Mr. Choi Sung Ki, Mr. Fung Sui Hing Brian, Ms Kwan Wai Fong Louise, Dr. Law Chan Fai, Dr. Yuen Pong Yiu

H. Annual Conference & Annual General Meeting

Ms. Lee Suet Ying (Convener), Mr. Ho Moon Tim Jack, Dr. Ho Sai Mun Stanley, Mr. Lau Chiu Yin Peter, Mrs. Lee Shek Yuk Yu Ruth, Mrs. Tam Cheung Kit Ying Grace

- *I. Website Maintenance and Development* Mr. Yip Kam Yuen William
- J. Newsletter

Mrs. Lee Shek Yuk Yu

As many of these groups are not new, group members are working hard to follow the relevant issues. In my next newsletter, I will share with you new plans for the year.

5. Value Education and Character Building

We strongly believe that Moral Education is the most important thread in the fabric of quality education. In these two years, we have organised in our Annual Conference and AGM featured presentations by prominent speakers to share with us their experiences and views on the topic. Your active responses and positive feedback have demonstrated tremendous support and endorsement on the issue. Together with the members of the Task Group, we are committed to developing further on what we have done in the past year, and will expand our focus on the issue of Moral Education from school leaders to teachers, and to our students.

We need more of your support and comments on this issue. Please contact the convener, Dr. Law Chan Fai (2891-6966 or *principal@lingnan.edu.hk*) for your comments and suggestions.

6. Happy Hour Forum

In this year, we will continue to arrange Happy Hour Forums to facilitate the discussion of issues of concerns among principals and vice-principals on an informal platform. The first one will be held at 4:00 p.m. on 18 March on "The Recruitment and Appointment of staff in school". The topic is specially chosen in response to a recent concern for appointing staff with legal offence records which were not disclosed to the school. Please reserve the time slot and a separate registration form will be faxed to you in due course.

7. NSS surveys

The Executive Committee members are very grateful for your very generous support of the three surveys conducted. The response rate is good especially for the third survey which has called forth extra time and the assistance of other staff. The results of the first survey have been shared in the AGM. The Task Group headed by Dr. Ho Sai Mun, Stanley is now working hard and we hope that the analysis and our recommendation can be released some time later.

8. 45th Anniversary celebrations

This year marks the 45th anniversary of the Association. In view of the workload related to the implementation of the New Senior Secondary academic structure and various current issues in the education arena, we have decided not to launch any large-scale celebration. Instead, we will arrange for something special to commemorate the occasion. A 45th anniversary magazine is in preparation and we look forward to your kind support to the coming Annual Conference and 45th Anniversary Dinner in June. Details will be announced in due course.

The Year of the Tiger has just begun and on behalf of the Executive Committee, may I wish you all bounteous blessings and strength (physical, mental and spiritual) to take on the ever-increasing challenges ahead of us. God bless you all.

Mrs. Ruth Lee Hon. Secretary

Encl. - Revised Constitution (revised December 2009) - AGM minutes