

# **Proceedings of the 2023 Annual General Meeting**

**Date**: 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023, Wednesday

**Time**: 7:00 p.m. - 7:36 p.m.

**Venue**: Diamond Room 1-2, 2/F, Crowne Plaza Hong Kong Kowloon East,

3 Tong Tak St, Tseung Kwan O, Hong Kong

#### In Attendance:

<u>Corporate Members</u> (Voting Members) at Crowne Plaza Hong Kong Kowloon East (68):

Alex CHAN Siu Kun, IU King Kwong, WONG Cheung Lam, CHAN Hon Fai, William FUNG Pak Yu, CHONG Fan, LAM Kin Che, Freeman CHEUNG Chun Ming, LEE Chee Kwan, CHENG Kin Wui, David CHOU Kim Hoi, TANG Wai Him, Valerie KUNG Wing Wing, Schrodeder TAM Kin Tak, WONG Wing Yee, LAW Chi Wing, Alson PANG Yuen Fai, Randolph LEUNG Chi Kin, Antony WONG Chi Hang, WONG Chor Kuen, Fred CHAN Fat Yee, James CHOI Pui Sum, Ken WONG Kin Chung, Claudine LEE Ka Yan, LEUNG Cho Shing, CHUA Manuel, Kenneth LAU Chi Wai, MA Sau Ping, Clief TANG Chi Kong, David YEUNG Bing Kwan, WONG Chi Hang, TANG Siu Hong, CHIU Wai Kwan, CHAN Cheuk Yin, LEE Chi Pang, Michael CHAN Shek Ho, CHAU Chi Kwan, CHAU Tsz Wing, Raymond WONG Kin Man, LUI Wing Man, CHENG Chun Hei, WONG Kam San, SO Christian, LAU Tak Yan, DELAS Oliver, CHOY Yat Sze, LEE Kin Sing, TONG Ka Ling, Cindy CHEUNG Shuk Ching, CHAN Jason, Evelyn WAI Yi Kwan, CAI Ting, Isaac CHU Sze Shing, LEUNG Chun Ting, SHEN Qing, TAM Kai Chung, Mors LEUNG Hing Shun, NGAI Ka Po, Ben WONG Hiu Chung, CHAN Ho Wang, Hilton TAM Po Lai, Alex NG Ho Ting, Janice CHIU Yu Ying, MAN Yu Ting, Julie CHAN Ka Man, Cindy CHEUNG Tsz Shan, Calvin CHIU Ka Fai, Henry CHAN Chi Kee

## Voting Members whose Proxies received by the Secretariat (43):

Wilson HO Wai Lun, Benson LEE Yau Hang, Ben HO Ming Bun, Justin KWAN Ka Chun, Steven TANG Kam Hang, CHENG Chi Ming, LEUNG Yuen Tat, CHAN Chi Lung, Calvin SZE Kwok Fung, James MA Kit Cheong, Jackel LAW Cheuk Ho, Tony TAM Kin Tak, Henry NG Huen, LEE Yiu Cho, Edmund CHU Ngai Min, David LI Cheung Shing, LAM Chung Ching, TSANG Fan Cheong, WONG Wai Lok, LAM Ching Mau, Chris KWOK Kwun Ting, NG Chi Chung, WONG Kwok Hei, CHAN Kwok Wai, LO Lam, YUE Wang Sing, Pan FONG Chung Wai, YIU King Chung, LAM Yat Ken, SIU Mun Cheung, WONG Tak Kwong, LOK Ka Ming, Dragon TSUI Siu Lung, Paul MOK Kwing Fai, Malcolm

LEUNG Ho Pang, Jennifer TSANG Arr, CHEUNG Liu Yee, Lyn LIN Jun Lin, Austin CHAN Chiu Tung, Jamie LAI Chi Ting, Karen LEONG Ka Long, CHAN Cheuk Kiu, KOO Chi Hong

### Non-corporate Members (15):

HO Chan Kwong, FAN Ka Heng, Autumn CHAN Chau Wai, NG Tsz Kin, Simon WONG Sun Man, LEE Ka Hei, YU Chun Yin, John LEUNG Chun Yat, YUE Hong Yu, LEE Man, Austin AU Shi Cheung, Dominic TSE Tsz Fung, HO Ngai Keung, CHOI Man Chi, JING Xingjian

#### Others (2)

Horus CHAN Yui Ho, Gary YUEN Ka Chun

#### **Proceedings**

- 1. At 7:00 p.m., the Chairman, Dr Calvin CHIU, checked and declared that the total number of voting Members present both at the meeting venue at Crowne Plaza Hong Kong Kowloon East including the proxies received was 111, and had satisfied the requirement for a quorum as stipulated in Article 37 of the Memorandum and Articles of Association (MoA) of the Hong Kong Institutes of Acoustics Limited (HKIOA). Dr CHIU, on behalf of the Chairman, then announced the commencement of the 2023 AGM of HKIOA.
- 2. Members were briefed on the protocols in the conduct of the AGM before the meeting started. The meeting noted that according to Article 37 of the MoA, any resolution put to vote shall be decided on a show of hands and by a particular majority. If there was a clear majority in support of a motion, Members will not be further asked if they have any objections or abstained votes, unless the Members specifically asked that their votes be recorded in the minutes.
- 3. Dr CHIU went on to the 1<sup>st</sup> Agenda Item, which was to confirm the Proceedings of the 2022 AGM held on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022. The meeting noted that Members were informed via the Notice of the 2022 AGM that a copy of the Proceedings of the 2022 AGM was available in the HKIOA Website. Members were advised that the secretariat did not receive any comments or suggested amendments to the draft Proceedings up to the time of the meeting. As there were also no other comments or suggestions from the participants, Dr CHIU, invited Members to accept



the Proceedings of the 2022 AGM. Mr. Ken WONG proposed and Dr LAW Chi Wing seconded the motion to accept the Proceedings of the 2022 AGM. After a show of hands, and the majority of Members supported the motion, the Chairman of the HKIOA, Dr CHIU, announced that the Proceedings of the 2021 AGM of the HKIOA was thereby confirmed.

- 4. The next Agenda Item was to consider the 2022/2023 Chairman's report. Dr CHIU advised the meeting that a soft copy of the report was posted in the Bulletin Board of the HKIOA website.
- 5. Dr CHIU, the Chairman, presented his report to the participants. He described that the past year had been challenging and difficult due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but the Institute still managed to organize quite a number of activities through local and international collaborations, including technical webinars and educational training.
- 6. Dr CHIU took the audience through the highlights of the activities. He expressed gratitude towards the support of various partner institutes and organizations. He mentioned that the various webinars were all very informative and were well received by the participants. In closing, Dr CHIU took the opportunity to express his gratitude to all the Organizing Committees, the Executive Committee, friends of the Institute and looked forward to their continuous support in the future.
- 7. As there were no other comments or feedback from Members, Mr William Fung proposed, and Mr Ken WONG and Dr HF CHAN seconded the motion to accept the Chairman's Report. Following a show of hands, and the majority of Members supported the motion, Dr CHIU announced that the 2022/2023 Chairman's Report was thereby accepted.
- 8. The next Agenda was to consider the Financial Report. Mr Henry CHAN, the Honorary Treasurer of the Institute, told the meeting that the Institute's finance remained in a healthy condition and that the Auditor considered that HKIOA's Annual Financial Statement as of end 2022 to be a clean audited report. He took Members through the details of the accounts, including the income and expenditures of particular events and activities held during the year ended 2022.
- 9. There was no other comment from Members on the Report, and Ir KK IU proposed, and Mr William FUNG and Ken WONG seconded the motion



to accept the Financial Report. Members were asked to consider to support the Report by a show of hands. The results showed that the majority of Members supported the motion. Dr CHIU then announced that the Financial Report made by the Honorary Treasurer for the Year ended 2022 was thereby accepted.

- The next Agenda Item was for the appointment of Auditor for the coming 10. session. The meeting was advised that according to Articles 87 of the MoA of the Institute, an auditor should be appointed during each AGM to hold office until the next AGM. The Auditor for the current term of 2022/2023 was Centre O in association with CPA SY YIU & Company. Dr CHIU highlighted the facts that (1) Centre O had been providing a reasonable service to the Institute, (2) out of 3 CPA/Audit Firms approached by HKIOA, all three companies returned their quotes, and (3) the fees quoted by Centre O was the cheapest one and has experience in providing such service to the Institute. As such, Mr CHAN recommended to continue to appoint Centro O as HKIOA's Auditor for the coming Session of 2023/2024. Dr CHIU invited comments and feedback from Members on the Honorary Treasurer's recommendation. There being no other comments from the Members. Dr Clief TANG and Mr. James CHOI proposed, and Dr Cindy CHEUNG and Dr. CW LAW seconded the motion to accept the appointment of Centre O as the Auditor of HKIOA for the coming session of 2023/2024. Members were asked to express their support to the motion by a show of hands. As the majority of Members supported the motion, Dr CHIU announced that Centre O was thereby appointed as the Auditor of HKIOA for the coming session of 2023/2024.
- 11. The next Agenda was the election / re-election of the Committee Members. Dr CHIU told in the meeting that according to Article 54 of the MoA, the Ordinary Members of the Committee may hold office for a period of 3 years, but at least a third of them should retire, i.e. at least 5 Members out of 12 Members in the current term should retire. They were Mr. James CHOI, Mr. Alson PANG, Mr. Him TANG, Dr. Wilson HO and Mr. Ken WONG. As a result, there were a total of (5) vacancies available for election/re-election as Committee Member in the coming term.
- 12. Up to the current time of the meeting, the Secretariat have received a total of (5) nominations, viz 1 candidate Dr Cindy CHEUNG standing for election, and 4 candidates Mr James CHOI, Mr Alson PANG, Mr Him

TANG and Mr Ken WONG standing for re-election as Committee Members for a 3-year term.

- 13. Dr. CHIU explained that as there were now 5 Members contesting for 5 vacancies, subject to Members' acceptance, i.e. for a majority vote, the 5 candidates shall deem to be elected as Committee Members for a 3-year term of 2023 2026. Before the voting exercise, the candidates were asked to brief the audience on their background and aspirations.
- 14. The voting exercise was conducted by showing of hands of their support to the election/re-election of Committee Members.
- 15. As the great majority of Members supported the said nominations, Dr Calvin CHIU announced that the election of Dr Cindy CHEUNG; and reelection of Mr James CHOI, Mr Alson PANG, Mr Him TANG, and Mr Ken WONG as Committee Members of the Institute for a 3-year term of 2023 2026 was thereby accepted. The audience expressed their congratulations to the newly elected Committee Members.
- 16. The meeting came to the last Agenda Item, which was the AOB. Members were asked to make any comments, observations or suggestions for discussion. Mr Kenneth Lau suggested that the item "AOB" under the agenda of this AGM should be omitted as members should be informed in advance before the AGM. Dr CHIU advised that this item would be brought into the coming committee for discussion and further clarification. Ir KK IU suggested and Members supported to pass a vote of thanks to the outgoing ExCom for their good efforts in the work of the Institute.
- 17. There being no other business, the 2023 HKIOA AGM closed at 7:36 p.m.

Chairman	Honorary Treasurer
Dr Calvin CHIU Ka Fai	Henry CHAN Chi Kee

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