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Hong Kong Institute of Acoustics

Proceedings of the 2018 Annual General Meeting

Date: Friday, 23rd March 2018
Time: 7:05 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.
Venue: Diamond Room 1-2, 2/F Crowne Plaza Hotel, Kowloon East

Attendance:

Corporate Members (Voting Members): Yiu Nam AU YEUNG, Chi Kee CHAN, Fred F.Y. CHAN, Louis P.L. CHAN, Alex S.K. CHAN, Kin Wui CHENG, Chun Hin CHEUNG, Freeman C.M. CHEUNG, Ming Kai CHEUNG, Nai Chung CHEUNG, Shuk Ching CHEUNG, Frank S.M. CHEUNG, Ka Fai CHIU, CHOY Yat Sze, Tak Leung CHUNG, Anna Y.M. CHUNG, Pak Yu FUNG, Ming Bun HO, Wilson W.L. HO, Lixi HUANG, King Kwong IU, Valerie W.W. KUNG, Jonathan C.H. KWAN, Grace M.H. KWOK, Kwun Ting KWOK, Chi Kin LAU, Tak Yan LAU, Jackel C.H. LAW, Chi Wing LAW, Chee Kwan LEE, Kin Sing LEE, Randolph C.K. LEUNG, Oi Lin LEUNG, Roger W.K. LEUNG, Eric K.F. LIU, Lam LO, Aaron S.W. LUI, Sau Ping MA, Anthony C.K. NG, Alson Y.F. PANG, Thomas SCELO, Christian SO, Nelson Y.K. TAM, Tommy Nik Fung WAN, Cheung Lam WONG, Steven C.W. WONG, Wing Yee WONG, Bing Kwan YEUNG, Heung Ho YEUNG, King Chung YIU

Voting Members whose Proxies were received by the Honorary Secretary:

Cheuk Yin CHAN, Kwok Wai CHAN, Chi Ming CHENG, Chun Hei CHENG, Kam Wing CHENG, Pui Sum CHOI, Edmund N.M CHU, Manuel CHUA, Andy W.L. CHUNG, Rodney C.W. IP, Ka Chun KWAN, Ka Kin KWOK, Kwan Hung KWOK, Derek C.F. LAM, Kenneth C.W. LAU, Leslie W.T. LAU, Ka Yan LEE, Pui Yan LEE, Cho Shing LEUNG, Henry H.Y. LEUNG, Wing Yan LEUNG, Wing Sun LEUNG, James K.K. LO, Henry Huen NG, Fred K.K. NG, Sharifah W.S. OR, Steven K.H. TANG, Ka Ling TONG, Fan Cheong TSANG, Joanne Y.K. TSOI, Ying Kit TSUI, Chok Pong WAI, Yi Kwan WAI, Chi Hang WONG, Kam San WONG, Kwok Hei WONG, Wai Lok WONG, Chor Kuen WONG, Hon Yiu WONG, Chun Man WU, Kwok Leung YEUNG, Nga Man YEUNG

Non-corporate Members: Chi Ying CHAN, Horus Y.H. CHAN, Paul MOK, C.Y. HO, Harris K.H. FAN, Kelvin CHEUNG, Man Kin WONG

Guests: Edwin K.Y. AU, Alvin CHAN, Vincent FONG, Ada FUNG, Andy LAI, Irene LEUNG, Albert LI, Vicky NG, Kelvin S.K. TANG, Yuyu TSE, Ian Y.W. WONG



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1. At 7:05 p.m., the Honorary Secretary, Mr Aaron LUI, declared that the total number of attending voting members had satisfied the requirement for a quorum as stipulated in the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Hong Kong Institutes of Acoustics Limited (HKIOA) and announced the commencement of the 2018 AGM.
2. Mr LUI, gave a quick overview of the AGM's agenda and advised that the order of the AGM items may have to be changed slightly to facilitate the logistics of the election of the new Committee Members.
3. Mr LUI invited the meeting to accept the proceedings of the 2017 AGM held on 22nd March 2017. Mr William FUNG proposed, and Dr CW LAW seconded the acceptance of the proceedings. There being no objections or comments from Members, and the Proceedings of the 2017 AGM was confirmed.
4. As it would take time for the counting of votes for the election of new Committee Members, Mr LUI advised the meeting that the election logistics would commence before going to the next agenda item, which was the Chairman's Report. He told the meeting that as stated in the ballot sheet handed to members when they registered for the AGM, there were 7 candidates, namely Mr Henry CHAN, Mr MK CHEUNG, Dr Calvin CHIU, Mr William FUNG, Mr Wilson HO, Dr Randolph LEUNG and Dr Clief TANG, standing for the election, and competing for 6 vacancies of Committee members. The candidates took turns to introduce themselves and their aspirations briefly to the members present. Mr LUI reminded that only those ballot sheets issued by the HKIOA at the registration desks marked with serial numbers were valid forms for voting. The completed ballot sheets were subsequently collected, and the counting of votes were handled by Mr Joshua CHUNG, Ms Valerie KUNG and Mr Ken WONG, while Mr CL WONG was performing the scrutinizing work on the procedures. The meeting continued and the next agenda item was the Chairman's Report.
5. The Chairlady, Ms Grace KWOK provided a brief highlight to the meeting regarding her 2017-18 Annual Report, of which a hard copy had been made available to each member present during registration. Ms



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Kwok first introduced the structure and each member of the Executive Committee as well as the roles and responsibilities of different Committee Members to the members present; and gave a brief update on the trends of development of membership in the Institute.

6. Ms KWOK went on to highlight the activities and functions being organized by the Institute and the Student Branches. She particularly mentioned that the very successful InterNoise 2017 Conference had drawn some 1000 participants from more than 40 countries to Hong Kong and nearly 800 papers were received for 112 technical sessions. She reaffirmed on the Institute's commitment to promoting professionalism and education in acoustics, by offering and supporting various types of courses and seminars for the profession, including the very popular HKIOA Certificate Courses on Noise Control, Road Traffic Noise Assessment, Architectural Acoustics Design, Road Traffic Noise & Railway Noise Measurement supported by the HKIE-MMNC, HKIQEP, and ASME-HK.
7. On the way forward, the Ms KWOK envisaged that as HKIOA would celebrate its 25th Anniversary this year, the Institute would organize a series of activities for their members, industry partners, and the society to further strengthen the Institute's position as the only learned society in acoustics in Hong Kong. She looked forward to further collaborations of the Institute with other related societies and organizations, including the HKIE, HKIQEP, the Hong Kong Green Building Council and BEAM Society Limited.
8. In closing, as it was the last Annual Report to be delivered by Ms KWOK in her current term of Chairmanship, she took the opportunity to thank all the Executive Committee Members and members of the Organizing Committee for various activities, in particular the InterNoise 2017, and the annual HKIOA Certificate Course on Noise Control, Road Traffic Noise Assessment, Road Traffic Noise Measurement and Product Noise Assessment. She appealed to members to continue their support to the Institute to enable HKIOA to thrive and reach new heights under the leadership of the coming session of Executive Committee.
9. Mr LUI invited feedback on the Chairman's Annual Report. Mr Wilson HO, Mr Antony WONG proposed, and Mr Tommy WAN, Ms Valerie KUNG seconded the acceptance of the Chairman's Report. There being



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no objections or comments from Members, the Chairman's Report was accepted.

10. In the next agenda item, Mr LUI invited the Honorary Treasurer, Mr Wilson HO to report on the Institute's financial position. Mr HO presented the audited account of the HKIOA to the meeting and explained the overall financial situation of Institute, as well as the income and expenditures arising from the organization of various seminars, meetings and the InterNoise 2017. Mr HO reported that the Institute's finance was in a healthy position and auditor had had a true and fair view of HKIOA's annual financial report as of end 2017. Mr HO welcomed members to inspect the full audited report.
11. There were enquires on the large sum of \$719,794 under accrued charges under current liabilities and how the Institute planned to well spend the substantial income earned from hosting the InterNoise 2017. Mr HO explained that the accrued charges was mainly the expenditures due for payment for the InterNoise 2017 event. As for the latter, Mr HO said the Institute would of course continue to spend resources on professional and public education, and to advance the work of the Institute, he said the Institute was open to suggestions, including the possibilities of acquiring a property for HKIOA as our permanent office. Mr LUI called on members to accept the Honorary Treasurer's financial report. Mr KK IU proposed, and Mr NC CHEUNG seconded the motion to accept the report. There being no objections and further comments, the report by the Honorary Treasurer was accepted.
12. According to the Articles of Association of the Institute, each AGM should appoint an auditor to hold office until the next AGM. Upon Mr HO's recommendation to reappoint the current auditor, Alan CHAN & Company, as the auditor for the coming Session, there were comments from Members that the Institute should consider changing the auditor once every few years, as a standard good practice to improving corporate governance. The meeting noted the suggestion. Mr Tommy WAN proposed and Mr MK CHENG seconded the re-appointment of Alan CHAN & Company as the auditor of the Institute for the coming Session. There being no objections or further comments, the motion was carried.
13. Mr LUI invited the office bearers of the Student Branches to conduct an official handover of their Chairmanship to their respective successor in



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next Session with members' presence. Mr Horus CHAN of the HKPolyU Student Branch handed over his Chairmanship to Mr C Y HO, while Mr Cliff WONG of the IVE Student Branch handed over his Chairmanship to Ms M LUK.

14. Mr LUI advised the meeting that there was only one nomination of Dr CW LAW as the Chairman of the coming Session, he invited Dr LAW to briefly introduce himself and his inspirations to the members.

15. After the completion of the vote counting for the election of the Executive Committee Members, Mr LUI announced the results as follows.

	Votes Obtained
Mr Henry CHAN	55
Mr MK CHEUNG	37
Dr Calvin CHIU	56
Mr William FUNG	54
Mr Wilson HO	55
Dr Randolph LEUNG	51
Dr Clief TANG	47

16. Mr LUI announced that the successful nominees to join the Executive Committee were Mr Henry CHAN, Dr Calvin CHIU, Mr William FUNG, Mr Wilson HO, Dr Randolph LEUNG and Dr Clief TANG.

17. Mr LUI called on members to accept the election of the Chairman Dr CW LAW, the re-election of Mr William FUNG, Mr Wilson HO, Dr Randolph LEUNG, and the new election of Mr Henry CHAN, Dr Calvin CHIU, and Dr Clief TANG to the Executive Committee. Dr Alex CHAN proposed, and Mr Tommy WAN seconded the acceptance of the election results. There being no objections, the election results were confirmed.

18. During the meeting, there were some discussions among Ms KWOK, Dr LAW and the Members as to how the Institute could better spend the funds accumulated over the years. Both Ms KWOK and Dr LAW both reaffirmed that the Institute would certainly spend more resources on promoting the professionalism and education in various sectors, and the idea of buying a property as HKIOA's permanent office was only one of the many ideas. The latter would certainly have pros and cons. A member cautioned that unless the Institute was considering to operate and



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having a clear need to run a secretariat to cater for example for a vast amount of activities and administration work required, a commitment on a permanent office may not have particular merits. Another member considered that in view of the development of the Institute and the increased works on various fronts, the HKIOA could actively consider to establishing a full-time or part-time secretariat. There were also suggestions to spend more resources on education and grooming the young professionals and leveraging opportunities arising from the “One Belt, One Road” initiative.

19. There being no further discussions, Mr LUI asked if there were any AOB items. Dr CW LAW proposed to register a vote of thanks for the current term of Executive Committee for their good work for the past year, Dr Alex CHAN seconded. There being no objections, the motion was carried.
20. Mr LUI announced that the 2018 HKIOA AGM closed at 7:45 p.m.

Chairlady
Grace KWOK

Honorary Secretary
Aaron LUI

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