

**Hong Kong University Students' Union Council, Session 2010**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Council Meeting**  
**Minutes**

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Date: 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2010 (Thursday)

Time: 14:20 - 23: 28

Venue: Council Chamber

**Present:**

CC, HS, SAP, RSA, ICAP, RICA, CAP, RCA, DKHR, LCHHR, LHHR, LHTHR, LSKHR, RCLHR, RHR, SCSHR, SJCR, SKYLHR, STHR, SWHR, UHR, WLHR, ASR, DSR, EDSR, ENSR, SSR, SSSR, ECU, CTVC, PC1, PC2

**Absent:**

HHR, BEAR, LAR, MSR

Official Observer: GS(a), FS(a), SWS(a), AS(a)

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**Section A**

**0. Meeting call to order & sing the Union Song**

**1. To Read out Correspondences**

HHR would be absent due to clashes of pre-scheduled meeting.

LSKHR would be substituted and leave early by 1930.

SKYLHR would leave early at 1900.

UHR would leave early for Bma Cup.

AAR would arrive late at 1445.

ASR would be substituted.

BEAR would be absent.

EDSR would be substituted by his Internal Vice Chairperson Tsang Chun Ngai and leave at 1930.

LAR would be absent for Chinese exam.

SSR would leave early at 1830 for her father's birthday celebration.

SSSR would be substituted by his chairman Ronald Chan.

**2. To receive the maiden speech of new councilor(s)**

RSA and SAP made their maiden speeches. SAP stressed that effort would not be limited to Interhall and Interfac competitions.

**3. To report motion(s) carried by circulation**

No.59 To receive and adopt the result of general polling on AAGRC (Admission Advisory group Reform Committee) document of Lee Hysan Hall Students' Association, HKUSU, Session 2010-2011

Proposer: Wong Po Yan (LHHR)      Second: Hui Pui Ting (STHR)  
No.60 To receive and adopt the Annual Financial Report of the Honorary  
Treasurer of Hornell Hall Students' Association, HKUSU, Session  
2009-2010

Proposer: Law Cheung Fai (LCHHR)      Second: Wun Wun Lam (RICA)

No.61 To receive and adopt the Minutes of Annual General Meeting of  
Hornell Hall Students' Association, HKUSU, Session 2009-2010

Proposer: Law Cheung Fai (LCHHR)      Second: Wun Wun Lam (RICA)

No.62 To receive and adopt the Annual Report of Hornell Hall Students'  
Association, HKUSU, Session 2009-2010

Proposer: Law Cheung Fai (LCHHR)      Second: Wun Wun Lam (RICA)

No.63 To receive and adopt the general polling of Student  
Representative of Lee Shau Kee Hall Students' Association, HKUSU,  
Session 2010-2011

Proposer: Chan Hok Chun (LSKHR)      Second: Chau Po Yi Polly (RCLHR)

No.64 To receive and adopt the Annual Financial Budget and Annual  
Working Report of St. John's College Students' Association, HKUSU,  
Session 2010-2011

Proposer: Lam Wing Yan Venus (SJCR)      Second: Chau Po Yi Polly (RCLHR)

4. To receive and adopt the agenda

'To appoint the Editorial Board members of Undergrad, HKUSU, Session 2010'  
would be moved to A.O.B for the temporary absence of relevant subjects.

New agenda 'To endorse the cosigned press statement signed by CAC', 'To  
handle By-Election 2010 complaints' and 'To appoint acting Union Executives'  
were proposed. Agendum 'To appoint the members of University Committees'  
would be moved accordingly.

#### Motion 1

Motion that:

To receive and adopt the amended agenda.

Proposer: Lam Wing Yan

Second: CHENG CHO SIN JOYCE

Time received: 14:26

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 14:26

5. To receive and adopt the minutes of CM3, ECM1 and ECM2.

CM3 motion 36 typo 'Servive' amended to 'Service'

**Motion 2**

Motion that:

To receive and adopt the amended minutes of CM3, ECM2 and ECM3.

Proposer: Lam Wing Yan

Seconder: CHENG CHO SIN JOYCE

Time received: 14:30

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 14:30

**Section B**

1. To discuss the progress of Union Building Relocation

CAP presented her plan briefly.

There was an addition of a corridor to fulfill the requirement from the Fire Services Department.

The number of meeting rooms was increased.

Difference between the third plan and the sixth plan was discussed.

Public area was increased 116% in size.

2. To endorse the cosigned press statement signed by Current Affairs Committee, HKUSU Council, Session 2010

RCLHR questioned what other organization would also sign the statement.

\$33 per hour was thought to be the minimum figure for setting the minimum wage.

Motion 3

Motion that:

To endorse the co-signed statement by Current Affairs Committee, HKUSUC, Session 2010.

Proposer: Cheung Chor Hei Ernest

Seconder: Siu Kin Tao Benson

Time received: 15:02

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:02

3. To appoint the members of University Committees

Motion 4

Motion that:

To appoint Mr. Yiu Kwun Chuen (UID: 2008277001) as the student representative of Careers Advisory Board.

Proposer: Yiu Kwun Chuen

Seconder: Siu Kin Tao Benson

Time received: 15:13

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:13

Motion 5

Motion that:

To appoint Chan Ho Man (UID 2009541071) as the student representative of Disciplinary Committee.

Proposer: Yiu Kwun Chuen

Seconder: Siu Kin Tao Benson

Time received: 15:16

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:16

Motion 6

Motion that:

To appoint LI TSZ SHU (UID: 200826622) as the student representative member of committee on Management of the Institute of Human Performance.

Proposer: Lee Anita Yuen Kwan (SSR)

Seconder: Li Tsz Yan

Time received: 15:17

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:17

Motion 7

Motion that:

To appoint Mr. Yiu Kwun Chuen (UID: 2008277001) as the student representative of Personal Development Counseling Committee.

Proposer: Yiu Kwun Chuen

Seconder: Chan Ho Man

Time received: 15:19

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:19

Motion 8

Motion that:

To appoint Hui Pui Ting (UID: 2008172533) as the member of Catering Committee.

Proposer: WONG CHUN WAI

Seconder: Ho Ka Wun Karen

Time received: 15:20

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:21

Motion 9

Motion that:

To appoint Ting Shing Wing (UID: 2009075606) as the member of Catering Committee.

Proposer: Chau Po Yi Polly

Seconder: Hui Pui Ting

Time received: 15:20

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:21

Motion 10

Motion that:

To appoint Ho Ka Wun Karen (UID: 2009531258) as the member of Catering Committee.

Proposer: Chau Po Yi Polly

Seconder: Ting Shing Wing

Time received: 15:20

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:21

Motion 11

Motion that:

To appoint Cheung Chor Hei, Ernest (UID: 2009050606) as the member of Committee on Student Affairs.

Proposer: Cheung Chor Hei, Ernest

Seconder: Chan Ho Man

Time received: 15:23

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:23

Motion 12

Motion that:

To appoint Mr. Yiu Kwun Chuen (UID: 2008277001) as the student representative of Student Affairs Committee.

Proposer: Yiu Kwun Chuen

Seconder: Siu Kin Tao Benson

Time received: 15:23

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:23

Motion 13

Motion that:

To appoint LI TSZ SHU (UID: 2008026622) as the student representative of committee on Student Affairs.

Proposer: Lee Anita Yuen Kwan

Seconder: LI TSZ YAN

Time received: 15:23

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:23

Motion 14

Motion that:

To appoint SIU KIN TAO BENSON UID 2009403994 as the student representative of Disciplinary Committee.

Proposer: Siu Kin Tao Benson

Seconder: Yiu Kwun Chuen

Time received: 15:25

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:25

Motion 15

Motion that:

To appoint Pun Cheuk Lun Eric (UID: 2008558376) as the member of Disciplinary Committee.

Proposer: Cheung Chor Hei, Ernest

Seconder: Chan Ho Man

Time received: 15:25

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:25

Motion 16

Motion that:

To appoint Mr. Yiu Kwun Chuen (UID: 2008277001) as student representative of Committee on Student Finance.

Proposer: Cheung Chor Hei, Ernest

Seconder: YIU KWUN CHUEN, JACKY

Time received: 15:26

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:26

Motion 17

Motion that:

To appoint Tse Ho Yin (UID: 2009147681), representative of University Hall as the member of disciplinary committee.

Proposer: Tse Ho Yin

Seconder: CHENG CHO SIN JOYCE

Time received: 15:33

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:33

Motion 18

Motion that:

To appoint LAM WING YAN VENUS (UID: 2009030806) as the member of Disciplinary Committee.

Proposer: LAM WING YAN

Seconder: CHENG CHO SIN JOYCE

Time received: 15:33

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:33

Motion 19

Motion that:

To appoint Cheng Cho Sin Joyce (UID: 2009242742) to be the member of Disciplinary Committee.

Proposer: CHENG CHO SIN JOYCE

Seconder: LAM WING YAN

Time received: 15:33

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:33

Motion 20

Motion that:

To appoint Ng Kong Kwan (UID: 2009250171) to be a member of Disciplinary Committee.

Proposer: Ng Kong Kwan

Seconder: Wong Po Yan

Time received: 15:34

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:34

Motion 21

Motion that:

To appoint Mr. Yiu Kwun Chuen (UID: 2007277001) as student representatives of University Health Committee

Proposer: YIU KWUN CHUEN

Seconder: SIU KIN TAO BENSON

Time received: 15:34

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:34



Motion 22

Motion that:

To appoint Wong Chun Wai (UID: 2009168685) be the student representative of safety Health and Environment committee

Proposer: Hui Pui Ting

Seconder: SIU KIN TAO BENSON

Time received: 15:35

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:35

Motion 23

Motion that:

To appoint Cheung Chor Hei Ernest as the member of career advisory board.

Proposer: Cheung Chor Hei Ernest

Seconder: Yiu Kwun Chuen

Time received: 15:37

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 15:38

4. To handle By-Election 2010 complaints

The number of full-time undergraduates was revealed to be approximately 10400

and that of postgraduates would be 100 something.

GS(a) presented the complaints.

The first complaint was related to the voting method for P and FS in which the voter could not vote against the candidates. It was emphasized that to change the situation the Union Constitution must be amended.

GS(a) replied to the other complaints.

The number of Union Full Members should be equal to that of full time undergraduates.

It was questioned by the candidates whether it was correct to include exchange-out students in the number of Union Full Members.

It was noted that the number of invalid votes was decreased.

It was stated that UEC made its effort to instruct people to vote correctly.

Speaking rights were granted to all candidates present at the meeting and Returning Officers Mr. Patrick Tang and Ms. Irene Yeung.

Candidate Yeung asked the criteria for classifying ballots as invalid.

Definition of invalidity was discussed.

GS(a) emphasized that amendment in the form of crossing out was considered invalid because the voter's true will would be vulnerable to interpretation of the third party.

'Prescribed manner' of voting was discussed.

CTVC pointed out that many people didn't know that they could not cross out on the ballot paper.

CAP found that voters were not clearly instructed that they could get a replacement set of ballots.

RCLHR disagreed with interpreting crossed out vote.

RO Mr. Patrick Tang and Ms. Irene Yeung said that they considered ballots with crossed out writing to be invalid during vote counting.

CTVC suggested preference showing to resolve the matter.

GS(a) questioned if consistency would be maintained if the issue was resolved differently from the past.

AS(a) claimed that one could only 'assume nothing or assume everything'.

SWS(a) questioned the procedures of 開箱檢票

GS(a) questioned the point of RO if we overturned the result

PC1 questioned if the fault of UEC caused the whole incident.

Preference showing:

1. To maintain the decision concerning invalid votes 18 votes

2 Further discussion 12 votes

GS(a) stressed that he determined the quorum number with information from the Registry at that time.

The quorum could be decreased in number by 5 if the latest figure from the Registry was adopted.

The meeting was adjourned from 1720 to 1730.

Interpretation of constitution was discussed.

Some argued that those who did not take approved courses should not be considered as Union Full Members.

GS(a) pointed out that the University undergraduates must pay Union Annual Subscription fee as it is a part of the composition fee.

President Candidate Lo said that candidates ought to have 100% of the voters available to vote during the election.

AS(a) was more inclined to the interpretation of 'approved courses' in the Union Constitution as syllabus.

It was stressed that exchange-in students were not considered as Union Full Members.

GS(a) said one should not exclude the exchange-out students from being Union Full Members and having the right to vote.

GS(a) found that eliminating exchange out students from the number of Union Full Members would be same as HKUSU not representing them anymore.

Candidate Lo presented his own interpretation.

CAP found the interpretation of 'approved courses' meaning degree not so convincing.

Speaking right was granted to Martin Kok, EVP 09.

必然會員制 was discussed and possible errors were pointed out.

CAP mentioned that there were HKUSU members who were foreign exchange-in students.

It was stressed that what was done in practice was not necessarily correct.

CC emphasized interpretation of 'taking approved courses' and 'shall pay the prescribed fee' were most critical issues for the time being.

Meeting was adjourned from 1900 to 1910.

Kok stressed the importance of interpreting neutrally but not for the sake of one party's interest.

A motion of constitution interpretation was discussed. AAR and ECU questioned if the proposed motion would violate the constitution.

PC1 suggested for the future elections, there should be clear instruction on ballot papers that no amendment could be made.

GS(a) would consider adding more instruction to the ballot paper but it would be necessary to minimize the bias caused as a result.

CC encouraged councilors to take the initiative to push the discussion forward.

Election results would remain unchanged.

#### 5. To Appoint Acting Union Executives

It was emphasized that long period of vacancy in Union Executives would be problematic to the operation of the Union.

#### 6. To appoint standing and ad hoc committees

Hall representatives would discuss membership appointment in the Council Restructuring Working Group among themselves after the end of examination period.

PC1 expressed interest to be appointed to UFC.

ECU presented the issue of Acting CDHKFS after the expiry of the appointment of current Chief Delegate Kok.

ECU would try to ask for consensus for the stances he would represent in HKFS. Technical issues of ECU being CDHKFS were discussed and were resolved by removing ECU from DHKFS as full member.

It was stressed that HKFS operates 'by person' but not 'by post'.

Motion 24

Motion that:

To remove SIU KIN TAO BENSON UID 2009403994 as Full union member of DHKFS, HKUSUC session 2010 and to appoint the said person as Chief delegate (acting), DHKFS, HKUSUC Session 2010

Proposer: Tse Ho Yin

Seconder: CHENG CHO SIN JOYCE

Time received: 20:55

Motion needed to be passed by 2/3 majority

Total: 20; For: 17; Against: 0; Abstain: 3

Resolution: Motion was carried

Time resolved: 20:55

Motion 25

Motion that:

To appoint Cheung Chor Hei Ernest (UID: 2009050606) as the Union Full member of DHKFS HKUSUC Session 2010 and remove his original councilor membership in DHKFS.

Proposer: Cheung Chor Hei Ernest

Seconder: SIU KIN TAO BENSON

Time received: 21:10

Motion needed to be passed by 2/3 majority

Total: 17; For: 16; Against: 0; Abstain: 1

Resolution: Motion was carried

Time resolved: 21:11

Motion 26

Motion that:

To appoint Cheung Chor Hei Ernest (UID: 2009050606) as the councilor of UFC, HKUSUC Session 2010

Proposer: YIP YAN TING FION

Seconder: CHAN HOI YAN KAREN

Time received: 21:13

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 21:13

7. To receive and adopt the annual report of University Affairs Committee of HKUSU Council Session 2009

Speaking right was granted to the Committee Chairman Mui Yik Hei to present his report.

Motion 27

Motion that:

To receive and adopt the annual report of University Affairs Committee of HKUSU Council Session 2009.

Proposer: YIP YAN TING FION

Seconder: CHAN HOI YAN KAREN

Time received: 21:22

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 21:22

Motion 28

Motion that:

To vacate the Chairmanship to Cheung Chor Hei, Ernest for original agendums B6-B8

Proposer: YIP YAN TING FION

Seconder: CHAN HOI YAN KAREN

Time received: 21:26

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 21:26

8. To receive and adopt the amendments of Council By-laws

CC illustrated the proposed new procedures of establishment of academic societies.

AAR asked what party would make the final decision in the society establishment.

SWS(a) was of the opinion that a proposed society should go through the faculty society council first.

FS(a) clarified the difference between the sub-organizations under ICA, CA and SA.

CC stressed that the change would be to enable the Union council to have more involvement in the establishment of academic societies but to what extent it was not affirmative.

It was suggested that the endorsement of Faculty Society Council or GM should be precedent to Union Council endorsement.

FS(a) stressed that it was not efficient for Union Council to spend much time on academic society affairs and it ought to be the duties of the councils of ICA, CA and SA to recommend affiliation to Union Council.

AAR found the absence of many faculty society representatives not ideal for discussion of this agenda.

For the time being, the affiliation By-Law would not change.

SWS(a) suggested consultation to all faculty societies for such amendment.

No objection from Councilors concerning the proposal amendment to By-Law in which ICA/CA/SA Council Chairpersons shall be invited to become CRC Official Observers.

Motion 29

Motion that:

To receive and adopt amendments of Section Six of Council By-laws

Proposer: Tam Chun Sing

Seconder: YIP YAN TING FION

Time received: 22:06

Motion needed to be passed by 2/3 majority

Total: 20; For: 16; Against: 0; Abstain: 4

Resolution: Motion was carried

Time resolved: 22:07

9. To discuss the follow-ups concerning Council's resolutions on CRC matters

The current acting Union Executives system was discussed. Improvement in the form of higher transparency or institutionalization was suggested but councilors were skeptic about whether such measures were practical.

The issue of ever expanding of ICA sub-organizations was discussed.

The first priority of CRC would be academic society affiliation and the second would be Action Union Executives.

10. To report the first meeting of Council Restructuring Working Group, HKUSU Council, Session 2010

It was hope that substantial amendment would be made.

Ideals like separation of three powers were discussed.

Emphasis was put to make sure that everyone would agree with each step of progress.

It was said not practical and not ideal to spend much time to set up long vision with nothing done.

FS(a) brought skepticism about a roadmap.

It was suggested the Union would not be ideal for bicameralism.

CC stressed that doing little is better than doing nothing.

SWS(a) questioned if it would be only small amendment without principles set.

CC stressed that principles and other critical issues would be better sorted out before discussing the restructured composition.

**Motion 30**

Motion that:

To receive the minutes of the first meeting of Council Restructuring Working Group, HKUSU Council Session 2010

Proposer: Tam Chun Sing

Seconder: LAM WING YAN

Time received: 22:55

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 22:56

Council chairmanship was returned back to Tam Chun Sing at 2258.

11. To report the meeting of PC2 with Amy Tsui

PC2 presented his report.

The issues of 'TA' and 'TN' statuses in Course Selection were discussed.

New grading system other than GPA was proposed.

'Diverse assessment' was introduced.

It was mentioned that in the new curriculum to be enacted in 2010, Year GPA <1.0 would be a criteria for discontinuation.

Freshmen will still have a home faculty that they belong to.



Common Cores were discussed.

Motion 31

Motion that:

To endorse the report on the meeting with Prof. Amy Tsui from PC2

Proposer: YIU KWUN CHUEN

Seconder: Cheung Chor Hei Ernest

Time received: 23:21

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 23:22

12. A.O.B

PC1 reported the following up of the school bus issue. Much of the arrangement could be implemented only starting from next semester

CTVC and PC1 mentioned the idea of Union Induction.

Motion 32

Motion that:

To appoint Chan Wing Yin Wendy UID 2008403761 as News Editor of Undergrad, HKUSU, Session 2010

Proposer: SIU KIN TAO BENSON

Seconder: Chan Ho Man

Time received: 23:23

Resolution: Motion was carried without objection

Time resolved: 23:24

CM4 was ended at 2328.

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Honorary Secretary

HKUSU Council, Session 2010

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