

Hong Kong Water Sports Council

Minutes of the 21st Executive Committee held on 24rd October 2018 at 8:30 am
in the Bistro, RHKYC

Present

Raymond Ma Siu Wing	(RM)	Chairman
Mike Tanner	(MT)	Vice-Chairman
Johnnie C K Chan	(JC)	Vice-Chairman
Ron Yeung	(RY)	Company Secretary
Chloe Lam	(CL)	Assistant to TW
Mike Arnold	(MA)	Board Secretary

Absent with apologies

Terence Wan	(TW)	Hon Treasurer
MK Lau	(MK)	Honorary Executive Director

Action

1.0 Confirmation of Agenda

1.1 The proposed agenda was confirmed without amendment.

2.0 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 20th Meeting held on 3rd September 2018

2.1 The Minutes were confirmed without amendment.

3.0 Matters Arising from 20th Meeting of the Executive Committee and the 17th Meeting of the Board of Directors held on 12 September 2018

3.1 Para 3.1 of EC and 3.8 of BDM Meeting with Hon Ma Fung-kwok: It was proposed that a luncheon meeting might be held with Hon Ma on either 2 or 7 November 2018. JC agreed to arrange a date with Hon Ma. MT said that there would be a need to decide before the luncheon what topics to raise. He said that he would speak to Ian Brownlee about this.

JC
MT

3.2 Para 3.3 of EC and 3.5 of BDM Application to IRD for charitable status: The Committee noted that the Hon Legal Adviser, Vitus Leung, had submitted the trust documents to IRD and that it could take up to a year for their approval. The Committee agreed to k.i.v. progress on the matter.

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3.3 Para 3.4 of EC and 3.1 of BDM Payment of annual subscriptions: The Committee noted that prior to the AGM on 10 October 2018, all the NSAs had each paid their subscription for 2018/19.

- 3.4 Para 3.5 of EC and 3.2 of BDM Update on Kai Tak Fire Station site – East Kai Tak Water Sports Centre (EKTWSC): The Committee noted that following the submission of the updated financial and operational plans to HAB on 12 September 2018, HAB had raised a number of questions, which had been answered by email on 8 October 2018. Subsequently, on 12 October 2018, HAB had approached each of the three NSAs to ask about the NSAs' commitment to organise 9,000+ hours of waters sports programmes or offer their facilities for rental annually. HAB said that it needed some reference to set an appropriate level of the opening-up requirement in the STT conditions and, to this end, had requested each of the NSAs for information on their utilisation of the Shek Mun Training Centre for reference. The Committee noted that the bulk of the 9,000 hours, i.e. 6,000 hours came from the HKCU's activities, with the HKCRA and the HKDBA only contributing some 1340 and 1565 hours respectively. As this appeared to present a somewhat unbalanced usage, MT said he would look into the reasons. MA further noted an email, dated 22 October 2018, from Jeff Li of Advisian setting out comments received from Carmen Chan (the AP who worked on Hebe Haven) in respect of the proposed pontoon works, which were as follows:
- Temporary pontoon (temporary in the sense that in principle it could be taken down and put up easily on a daily basis) would be ideal, as it would not require permanent structure on shore;
 - If permanent structure is required to be built, it would be challenging to obtain BD's approval within a short period of time;
 - Marine Department's approval might be required for temporary pontoon, but it is beyond their expertise;
- MA said that the comments did not address the key question of whether she would be prepared to be the AP for the Kai Tak site works and at little or no cost. MT suggested that MA might clarify with Ms Chan.
- 3.5 Para 3.7 of EC and 3.3 of BDM Update on Tseung Kwan O site: MT reported that the HKSI had indicated to Joachim Isler that it was prepared to consider joint use of the site area reserved for the HKSI for both windsurfing and elite sailing.
- 3.6 Para 3.8 of EC and 4.1 and 9.1 of BDM Celebration of the HKWSC's 5th anniversary in 2018 and brainstorming session: The Committee noted that a useful dinner meeting had been held on 22 October 2018, and that MT had since circulated a note setting out what had been discussed regarding proposals for the next five years. MT suggested that a logo might be designed to celebrate the 5th anniversary that could be used in the HKWSC's letterhead JC said that he would, speak to Aaron Yu

about a possible design.

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| 3.7 | <p>Para 3.9 of EC and 3.4 of BDM Possible Affiliation of 14 Uniformed Youth Groups: RM reported the Air Cadets, Sea Cadets, Scouts, AMS and CAS were all interested. Once the Kai Tak site had been granted, the NSAs could then be asked to propose training courses. JC considered that a coordinator would need to be appointed to coordinate arrangements between the NSAs and the uniformed groups. RM said that he had someone in mind to take up this responsibility.</p> | RM |
| 3.8 | <p>Para 3.10 of EC and 3.8 of BDM Government's Review of Private Recreational Leases: The Committee noted that a meeting had been held with Stanley Wong and the Undersecretary of DevB, that had been followed up with a letter to the Task Force on Land Supply. MT noted that it had been a very useful meeting and thanked JC for his efforts in arranging the meeting. JC advised that wearing his other hat as a representative of the Hong Kong Association of Property Management Companies, he was arranging a Housing Strategies Summit, and afterwards dinner, on 28 November in the Convention Centre, involving the participation of the CE, Stanley Wong, STH and heads of various government departments. He hoped as part of that Summit to make the case for adequate land to be set aside for sports as part of any housing strategy.</p> | JC |
| 3.9 | <p>Para 3.13 of EC and 3.8 of BDM Annual Accounts for 2017/18: The Committee noted that the audited Directors Report and Financial Statements had been approved by NSA Members at the AGM and that the Report and Accounts would be submitted to the Companies Registry before the end of February 2019.</p> | |
| 4.0 | <p>Matters Arising from 17th Board of Directors meeting not mentioned in item 3 above or covered elsewhere in the agenda</p> | |
| 4.1 | <p>Para 3.6 of BDM Water Safety Day: MA reminded the Committee of the earlier decision to set up a working group towards the end of the year under the chairmanship of JC to coordinate the input of the HKWSC and the NSAs for the Water Safety Day to be held on 1 May 2019. JC reported that Anthony Chan supported the setting up of the proposed working group. RM suggested that MK might be asked to help in coordinating the input from the NSAs.</p> | JC
MK |
| 5.0 | <p>Any Other Business</p> | |
| 5.1 | <p>Possible site for sailing and other water sports on western side of the former Kai Tak Runway: RM recalled that Joachim Isler had mentioned the possibility of providing a site for sailing on the eastern side of the</p> | |

former runway. MT advised that such an idea had been raised informally with one of the consortia tendering for the future Kai Tak Sports Park project, whereby the ground level area of the future Dining Cove might be used for water sports purposes, with the Dining Cove restaurant(s) located above. However, because the tenderers were required to submit conforming bids, this idea could only be pursued further with the successful tenderer after the tender had been awarded.

6.0 Date of Next Meeting

- 6.1 The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held at 8:30am on Wednesday, 14 November 2018, in the Bistro of the RHKYC.

Raymond Ma
Chairman