

Hong Kong Water Sports Council

Minutes of the 23rd Executive Committee held on 9th January 2019 at 8:30 am
in the Bistro, RHKYC

Present

Raymond Ma Siu Wing	(RM)	Chairman
Johnnie C K Chan	(JC)	Vice-Chairman
Mike Tanner	(MT)	Vice-Chairman
MK Lau	(MK)	Honorary Executive Director
Mike Arnold	(MA)	Board Secretary

Absent with apologies

Terence Wan	(TW)	Hon Treasurer
Ron Yeung	(RY)	Company Secretary
Chloe Lam	(CL)	Assistant to TW

Action

1.0 Confirmation of Agenda

1.1 The proposed agenda was confirmed without amendment.

2.0 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 22nd Meeting held on 14th November 2018

2.1 The Minutes were confirmed without amendment.

3.0 Matters Arising from 22nd meeting of the Executive Committee (EC) and the 18th Board of Directors meeting (BDM) held on 12 December 2018

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| 3.1 | Para 3.1 of EC Meeting with Hon Ma Fung-kwok: RM noted that the luncheon meeting with Hon Ma on 26 November 2018 had been an informal one. He proposed and the Committee agreed that a second meeting of a more formal nature should be arranged at a future suitable time. | All |
| 3.2 | Para 3.2 of EC and 3.4 of BDM Application to IRD for charitable status: MK reported that the Hon Legal Adviser, Vitus Leung, had recently told him that there had been no further response from IRD since the issuing the department's acknowledgment of receipt of the draft Trust document in November 2018. The Committee agreed to continue to k.i.v. this matter. | All |
| 3.3 | Para 3.3 of EC and 3.1 of BDM Update on Kai Tak Fire Station site – East Kai Tak Water Sports Centre (EKTWSC): MT reported that HAB had given policy support and the DLO had informally provided a copy of | MT
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the special conditions for the STT. As there did not appear to be any major outstanding issues, it was hoped that the STT could be granted within the first three months of 2019. MA was asked to check with Ian Brownlee to see if the latter could obtain an indication of when the District Land Conference would approve the STT. MT went on to advise that separately Chis Hanselman, who was a member of the preparatory committee for the project, had given him the name of a person, Matthew Chow, in Hanison Construction Co, who might be able to help in providing the technical support required for the project. MT said that he had circulated an email to the other members of the preparatory committee setting out the proposed nature of work required to develop the site and he would be sending the final draft to Matthew Chow later that same week.

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| 3.4 | <p>MT further advised that the next meeting of the preparatory committee would be held on 23 January 2019. MT noted that the SDTF had not yet agreed to extend the deadline for the grant of \$3 million to the end of 2019. RM agreed to check if any letter had been sent to the HKCDBA's office. MT considered that in this context, it would be desirable to consider making an application to the HKJC for additional funds. MK advised that he had been speaking informally with the HKJC and it had been suggested that the Council send in its initial proposals and the activities involved for the HKJC to consider. If these were thought suitable, only then need the Council make a formal application. MK said that it had been indicated that the HKJC placed the highest priority on projects that supported youth and the disabled, and which were more broadly community based, rather than focussing on the NSAs which were already receiving Government subvention. The Committee noted that the Council's focus was already on youth and the disabled. RM considered that the HKWSC should take the lead in this matter and not only apply for funds to develop the site, but also to buy boats and run activities under the Council. MT invited MK to attend the next meeting of the preparatory committee on 23 January. MA agreed to look at the PowerPoint prepared by Ian Brownlee, and previously sent to Andrew Wells of Lai Sun, to see if the information could be modified for MK to pass to the HKJC.</p> | <p>MT
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| 3.5 | <p>RM proposed that there was now a need to discuss the structure and powers of the future Management Committee for the centre, so as to be able to seek the Board's necessary approval and delegations. A first meeting focussing solely on this issue was arranged for 2:30pm on Sunday, 27 January 2019, in the Bistro, RHKYC.</p> | <p>All</p> |
| 3.6 | <p>Para 3.4 of EC and 3.2 of BDM Update on Tseung Kwan O site: The Committee noted that further progress on this project depended on the success of HKWSC's management of EKTWSC in order to receive HAB policy support, and on the HKSF, HKSI and HK Windsurfing Association resolving the future use of the one third of the site set aside</p> | |

by HAB for windsurfing. MT advised that he had been given to understand that the HKSF was preparing a strategic plan for elite sailing, which might make reference to use of the TKO site.

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| 3.7 | Para 3.5 of EC and 3.7 of BDM Celebration of the HKWSC's 5 th anniversary in 2018: The Committee noted that the preference of the large majority of Board members for the 5-year logo was option H, which MA had used to prepare a new letterhead as illustrated in the meeting's draft agenda paper. JC agreed to ask Aaron Yu to provide a higher resolution version of the logo to enable it to be expanded to a larger size for PR purposes and other materials. | JC |
| 3.8 | Para 3.6 of EC and 3.3 of BDM Possible Affiliation of 14 Uniformed Youth Groups: The Committee again agreed to k.i.v. this matter, noting that further progress depended on the HKWSC being given the STT for the Kai Tak site. | RM |
| 3.9 | Para 3.7 of EC and 3.5 of BDM Water Safety Day Working Group: MT noted that a representative from the HKCRA had not yet been nominated. He would give JC the name of the person that afternoon. JC reported that he had already obtained 9 members for the Working Group and would be arranging the first meeting after the Chinese New Year. MA suggested that the HKWSC might draft something for its website on the need for all participants in water sports to be able to swim, and particularly not to panic if, say, they suddenly found themselves thrown into the water as a result of having been in a boat that had unexpectedly overturned. MT said that he would forward the information that Ronnie Wong had passed to him. JC said that he would also let MA have information from the HKLSS. | JC
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| 4.0 | Any Other Business | |
| 4.1 | No other item of business was raised. | |
| 5.0 | Date of Next Meeting | |
| 5.1 | The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held at 8:30am on Wednesday, 20 February 2019, in the Bistro of the RHKYC. (With the Chinese New Year holiday period just prior, a possible alternative date if necessary was also agreed of Friday, 22 February 2019) | |

Raymond Ma
Chairman