

THE UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK AND THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY MANUFACTURING ALUMNI ASSOCIATION LIMITED

Executive Committee Report 2012

The Executive Committee has set following objectives for 2012:

- 1) To retain existing members
- 2) To revitalize sleeping alumni
- 3) To recruit new members (current students) and influence them to be active members when they graduate.

During the year, efforts were concentrated more on objective 3) in engaging with current students. PMA and Project sharing sessions were organized in February 14, May 19, October 6 and 27. Every class has 30 ~ 50 participants learning from alumni their experiences in doing Post Module Assignment and Project.

A Buddy program matching alumni with student buddy was organized in August. 26 groups of buddy with total 90 participants were formed. An orientation gathering was held on September 15 with over 50 participants. Each group of buddy is encouraged to meet regularly; student buddy can ask questions to their alumni buddy who are willing to help and give guidance and sharing.

To enhance professional development, a seminar on Routes to Professionalism was organized on April 25 inviting representatives of HKIE, IET and SOE to present various routes to attain professional qualification. It was well accepted with full house attendance of 80 participants. Follow up activities include sharing by alumni on past experience of CEng application and grouping interested alumni for batch application of Chartership.

An entrepreneur group gathering was organized on June 15 with 30 participants hearing 3 stories of young entrepreneurs. Similar gathering could be organized more for alumni to share their experiences in starting their own business and getting over hurdle of early survival.

Photography interest group was formed on Facebook for alumni and students to share their experience and skills in photography. Another interest group, football team formed a few years ago, is still active and participated in the PolyU Alumni Homecoming Fiesta soccer tournament on November 11.

Other events organized/supported in the year include:

- 1) Visit to Mai Po on March 31
- 2) Symposium on eCO2 Management on May 25
- 3) Seminar on "How to Improve Business/Project Performance Partnership, Risk Management & Value Management" on May 26
- 4) Sai Kung Boat launch on 7 July
- 5) Technical visit to Ocean Park on 3 November

- 6) HKIE MI Division Symposium (IE)³: Industrial Engineering, Innovation Excellence, Industry Elites on 30 November
- 7) IGDS 20th Anniversary Dinner on 15 December

As at 30 November 2011, there are 553 registered members of which 241 are Joint Award, 188 are Warwick Award, 122 student associates and 2 with award status not yet identified.

For the financial position of the Association, please refer to audited financial statements ended 31 March 2012 for details.

The Executive Committee expressed their sincere gratitude for the guidance and patronage of our Honorary Advisors, Honorary Presidents, Honorary legal advisor and Honorary Auditor.