

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

Annual General Meeting 2015

President's Report

It is my great pleasure to present this President's Report for the second time. The past year 2015 has been another fruitful year with some remarkable breakthroughs and achievements. Working tightly with the Executive Committee and Sub-committee members, our Alumni Association organized and participated in a wide range of events and activities. I am also delighted to witness that our objectives set for 2015 were well realized in various aspects. With all kinds of support, together with our passion, enthusiasm and devotion, I keep on with high confidence in our flourishing future.

1) The Board

Adhered to the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Board comprises a total of 8 Executive Committee – President, Vice President, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer and 4 Ordinary Committee members. In 2015, there were 18 Subcommittee members contribute to six scopes of service. 4 Honorary Advisors and 7 Honorary Presidents were invited as well as the Honorary Auditor and the Honorary Legal Advisor. Please refer to *Appendix I*.

2) Objectives of the Year

2015 – Consolidation, Elevation, and Continuation (鞏固、提升、延續)

2014 – Modification, Extension, and Integration (修正、擴展、融和)

3) Events and Activities

In parallel with the 3 missions of our Alumni Association, Linkage, Contribution and Professional Development, during the year we had organized a variety of events and activities in order to achieve such fulfillment. In addition, we coorganized, or as a supporting organization, with other associations, academies and institutions for further extension. For more details regarding the relevant date and number of participants, please refer to *Appendix II*.

For Linkage -

- Spring Lunch 2015
- Central District Heritage Walk
- Sunset Hiking
- Sai Kung Boat Trip (Co-organized with MILESAA, HKPU)
- Urban Hiking

- IGDS Networking and Awards Presentation Ceremony
- Annual Dinner 2015

For Contribution –

- Oxfam Walkathon
- Pok Oi Cycle for Millions 2015
- Orientation Day
- Project / PMA Sharing 2015
- Open Forum "Innovation and Entrepreneurship: Government Policy, Society, and Technology" (Co-organized with CityU EngD Society)

For Professional Development -

- Xiamen Technical Visit Tour
- Technical Visit to Zero Carbon Building
- Technical Visit to Waste Food Recycling Centre
- CEng Sharing Session
- Seminar on Industrial 4.0: The Fourth Industrial Revolution
- Technical Visit to Kin Yat Holdings PRC Shenzhen Plant (Co-organized with MI Division, HKIE)

4) Membership

As of 1 December 2015, our Alumni Association has 867 members which cover life members, ordinary members and associates. Joint award, Warwick award and students are inclusive. Compared with 776 members as of 1 January 2015, the growth in 11-month is 11.7%. If to compare with the figure 644 as of 1 January 2014, it is an exponential jump of 34.6%.

5) Breakthrough

Consolidation and elevation are two objectives of 2015. In achieving so, we had made some "The First Time".

In May, we had organized a 3-day-2-night Technical Visit Tour (20 participants) to Xiamen two renowned enterprises, Tianma Microelectronics and Kingtronics Industrial.

In September, we co-organized with the professional institution HKIE (MI Division) a Technical Visit to Kin Yat Holdings Ltd's Shenzhen ODM plant (35 participants).

In October, we made our first step to jump out of the Red Castle and liaised with another University's Alumni Association – CityU EngD Society. We coorganized a grand Open Forum in the topic of Innovation and Entrepreneurship. 5 distinguished guest speakers were invited including legislative councillors and professors. And it was a successful event held (240 audience) at The Innovation Tower, HKPU.

6) Achievement

It is grateful yet excited to announce that we WPUMAA was conferred the "Most Active Alumni Association Award 2014-2015" by HKPU. We got this award out of a total of 40 alumni associations of the FHKPUAA, judged by the quantity and quality of events and activities held throughout the academic year. Appreciation extends to our ExCo and Sub-com team members where their effort and dedication were acknowledged.

7) Financial Report

For the financial status of the Association, please refer to the audited financial statements ended 31 March 2015 for details, *Appendix III*, which will be posted on our website. In short, we had net cash and bank balance of approximate HK\$292,000 by the end of March 2015 and we have surplus before tax of approximate HK\$47,000. Overall we have surplus from our events and activities this year.

8) Other Initiatives

Contribution to our two Alma Maters, as well as the community as large, is one of the missions of our Alumni Association since incorporation. In this year, we had been cooperating more closely with both WGAHK of The University of Warwick and FHKPUAA of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University.

WGAHK – Agreed with the ExCo teams of both Associations, more events and activities may be considered to be co-organized. The horizon may be extended to other similar associations of UK and local universities.

FHKPUAA – In December 2014, our Alumni Association was legitimized as a Member of FHKPUAA. The election of FHKPUAA's new Board of Directors for 2015-2017 will be held at the AGM on 16 December 2015. We hope that the representative of our Alumni Association can be successfully elected. As such, we can build up stronger bonds with HKPU as well as other alumni associations.

As mentioned at the start of this report that, 2015 is another notable year of our Alumni Association. To reach a new height, or to create a legacy, or to explore the possibles and impossibles were ever the brainstorming ideas or even dreams during our ExCo meetings in these two years. With the concerted effort and selfless heart of the crew, members and students, together with the countless support from numerous parties, the destinies came to be more ground and sound.

Taking this opportunity, I would like to express my profound gratitude to everyone who has contributed by any means to our Alumni Association. Without such, none of us can play the magic ball. Heartfelt thankfulness to the Executive Committee and Sub-committee members for the eternal spirit and flame.

Last but not least, I, on behalf of the Executive Committee, would like to particularly thank our Honorary Advisors, Honorary Presidents, Honorary Legal Advisor and Honorary Auditor for their insightful advice and invaluable guidance in the past years.

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