

COMMUNITY SPORTS COMMITTEE
Minutes of the 48th Meeting of the Community Sports Committee

Date: 30 October 2020 (Friday)
Time: 3:00 pm
Venue: Conference Room 401, 4/F, Leisure and Cultural Services
Headquarters, 1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

Present: Mr David YIP Wing-shing (Chairman)
Prof Patrick YUNG Shu-hang (Vice Chairman)
Mr Patrick CHAN
Mr CHAN Pok-chi
Ms Joephy CHAN Wing-yan
Mr Anson CHEUNG Ho-yin
Mr CHEUNG Ki-tang
Mr Langton CHEUNG Yung-pong
Ms CHU Lai-ling
Mr Arnold CHUNG Chi-lok
Mr Eric FOK Kai-shan
Ms HON Sze-sze
Mr Daniel LEE Chi-wo
Dr LEUNG Pak-yin
Mr LIN Chun-pong
Ms TSANG Tsz-lui
Ms Tina WONG Ting
Mr WONG Wai-shun
Mr WONG Po-kee (Representative of Sports
Federation & Olympic Committee
of Hong Kong, China)
Ms Yonny CHAN Mei- (Representative of Education
yuk Bureau)
Dr Patrick CHONG (Representative of Department of
Shing-kan Health)
Mr Paul CHENG Ching- (Representative of Home Affairs
wan Bureau)
Mr Benjamin HUNG Tak- (Representative of Leisure and
chuen Cultural Services Department)

In Attendance

Miss Winnie YEUNG (Home Affairs Bureau)
Cin-man

Ms Ida LEE Bik-sai (Leisure and Cultural Services
Department)

Ms Annie FUNG Ka-wai (Leisure and Cultural Services
Department)

Ms Camay LEE Kar-mei (Leisure and Cultural Services
Department)

Ms Goldie SHING Lai-
kam (Leisure and Cultural Services
Department)

Mr Leo WONG Man-kin (Leisure and Cultural Services
Department)

Mr Samuel FUNG Wai-
kuen (Leisure and Cultural Services
Department) (Secretary)

Absent with Apologies

Dr Alberto CRUZ

Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed all Members and representatives of various government departments, including Ms Joephy CHAN Wing-yan and Dr Patrick CHONG Shing-kan of the Department of Health, who attended the meeting for the first time, to the 48th meeting of the Community Sports Committee (CSC) held by video conferencing.

2. The Chairman sincerely congratulated three Members who had been given an honour or award in this year's Honours List by the Chief Executive. They included Dr LEUNG Pak-yin who had been awarded the Silver Bauhinia Star, Ms CHU Lai-ling who had been awarded the Medal of Honour, and Mr Arnold CHUNG Chi-lok who had been awarded Chief Executive's Commendation for Community Service.

3. The Chairman said that the Secretariat had emailed the meeting papers to Members for reference earlier on. If Members had any direct or indirect pecuniary interests relating to any agenda item to be discussed, they should declare to the CSC before discussion of that agenda item. The interests declared by Members would be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

Item 1: Confirmation of the Minutes of Last Meeting of the CSC

4. The draft minutes of the 47th meeting had been emailed to Members for comment on 15 June by the Secretariat. No proposal for amendment had been received so far, and the minutes were noted by Members which were emailed to them on 29 June. Since no further amendment was proposed at the meeting, the Chairman announced that the minutes of the 47th meeting were endorsed.

Item 2: Matters Arising

(i) Report from the Territory-wide Physical Fitness Survey for the Community Advisory Committee

5. The Chairman invited Dr LEUNG Pak-yin to report on the progress of the project.

6. Dr LEUNG Pak-yin reported on the progress of the tendering exercise for the consultancy service contract and data collection contract.

7. The Chairman thanked Dr LEUNG Pak-yin for his presentation. Since no enquiry was raised, Members immediately moved on to Item 2(ii).

(ii) Report on Sport For All Day 2020

8. The Chairman invited Mr Samuel FUNG of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) to report the progress of Sport For All Day (SFAD) 2020 with the aid of PowerPoint.

9. Mr Samuel FUNG reported on SFAD 2020. Members' views and the LCSD's responses were summarised as follows:

- (a) The Chairman said that since the pandemic situation was very severe in July and August, the venue facilities of the LCSD had to be either closed or opened on a limited basis at that time to tie

in with the Government's anti-epidemic measures. Noting that it was no easy task to organise large-scale events during the period, he thanked LCSD colleagues for their unremitting efforts and creativity in the attempt to organise diverse forms of activities so that the public could still participate in the SFAD amid the pandemic.

- (b) Mr CHEUNG Ki-tang thanked the LCSD for its perseverance in organising the SFAD by alternative means during the pandemic to encourage the public to exercise. Seeing that star athletes had assisted with the promotional activities in the videos, he enquired whether it was an arrangement for the SFAD in the past and for the future.
- (c) Mr Samuel FUNG thanked Members for their views. He said that elite athletes and district sports ambassadors had been invited in the past to participate in recreation and sports activities on the SFAD held in designated sports centres in the 18 districts, and this arrangement would continue in the future.

Item 3: Report of the 8th Hong Kong Games Organising Committee (CSC Paper 04/20)

10. The Chairman said that the 8th Hong Kong Games (HKG) was originally scheduled to be held in 2020 and 2021. In view of the pandemic, the 8th HKG Organising Committee (OC) had decided to postpone the event for one year. He invited Ms Camay LEE of the LCSD to present CSC Paper 04/20 with the aid of PowerPoint.

11. Ms Camay LEE presented CSC Paper 04/20. Members' views and the responses of the Chairman (also the Chairman of the OC and Standing Committee (SC) of the HKG) and Ms Camay LEE were summarised as follows:

- (a) Ms Tina WONG said that large screens were installed on-site in international competitions nowadays, allowing spectators to watch the competitions through video. Meanwhile, participating athletes could also feel the support of fans from the screens. She suggested that the OC consider making the same

arrangement in the HKG finals to enhance the atmosphere of the competitions.

- (b) Mr WONG Wai-shun enquired under what circumstances the OC would decide whether the HKG, which had been postponed for one year, could be held as scheduled; and whether a deadline had been set to review the feasibility of the event. Considering that the HKG had been a biennial event for years, he was worried that the one-year postponement would affect the arrangements for other activities. He suggested that the OC reconsider whether the HKG should be postponed for one year or one time.
- (c) Referring to the emergence of virtual sports competitions amid the pandemic, Ms TSANG Tsz-lui enquired if the OC would consider adopting electronic sports as a form of competition under the pandemic. She cited the adoption of virtual competition software by cycling enthusiasts in Hong Kong and around the world as an example, and she noted that the Union Cycliste Internationale would also adopt virtual software for the international competition to be held this December. She suggested the OC to explore the feasibility of using virtual software for competitions.
- (d) The Chairman thanked Members for their views, and gave consolidated responses as follows:
 - (i) The OC would consider all suggestions that would help uplift the atmosphere of the competition.
 - (ii) The decision of postponing HKG for one year had already been passed at the SC of HKG and would remain unchanged for the time being. The OC would launch more activities as scheduled to widely publicise and promote HKG, with a view to commencing athlete selection and inter-district sports competitions while the pandemic was under control. The OC would continue to closely monitor the latest development of the pandemic and record Mr WONG Wai-shun's views for future

reference.

- (e) Ms Camay LEE thanked Members for their views. She noted that there were many virtual competition software programmes available and she had been keeping an eye on the development. As virtual competitions were different from the eight physical competitions currently held by HKG, the Secretariat would study the feasibility of incorporating virtual competitions in community involvement activities for public participation.

Item 4: Any Other Business

Hong Kong and Shanghai Summer Sports Camp for Youth 2020

12. The Chairman invited Ms Annie FUNG of the LCSD to report on the preparation for the Hong Kong and Shanghai Summer Sports Camp for Youth 2020 (the Camp).

13. Ms Annie FUNG said that the Camp was originally scheduled to be held from 3 to 7 August in Huangpu District, Shanghai this year. In view of the prolonged pandemic around the world and in Hong Kong, the LCSD and the Shanghai Youth Training Management Centre under the Shanghai Municipal Sports Bureau decided to postpone the Camp to next summer. The LCSD would follow up with the Shanghai Municipal Sports Bureau on the arrangements for next year in due course.

14. The Chairman thanked Ms Annie FUNG for her report.

Adjournment of Meeting

15. The Chairman thanked Members for attending the meeting. The Secretariat would inform Members of the date of the next meeting in due course.

16. The meeting was adjourned at 3:42 pm.

Note: No declaration of conflict of interest was received from Members during the meeting.

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