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17th Council Meeting Minutes

Date: October 5, 2020 (Monday)

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Venue: Zoom

Present: Officers:

Derek Zen – President (DZ)
Leo Cheung – Vice President (LC)
Pearlie Chan – Secretary (PC)
Zia Wai - Treasurer (ZW)

Council members:

Crystal Tang (CT)
Charlie Lee (XL)
John Tsang (JT)
KF Mak (KF)
Kelvin Chan (KC)
Louis Tam (LT)
Tony Lau (TL)
WK Lai (WK)

Item	Content	When	Action
1	Adopted minutes of last meeting.		
2	Follow up matters raised in last meeting (by minutes order): i) M&A update: target to update M&A and inform members in the 2021 AGM. Council will seek lawyer's advice to amend. ZW will prepare a one-pager explanation to inform members the purpose of amending M&A and distribute in the coming AGM. Will also include the setting up of various Committees in the M&A.		ZW
3	Financial Affairs: i) Latest Bank Balance: HKD1.31mil.		

4	<p>Internal Affairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) AGM: ZW and CT to check if this year's AGM could be postponed and combine with next year's AGM. ii) Open League: there is still one round for RR1 to be organized, but depends if it could still be arranged under current pandemic and tournament schedule, otherwise will have to cut the remaining round. iii) Invitational Team: will resume in late October and schedule to complete all remaining rounds within 2020. iv) Mixed Team: Council agreed to extend the max no. of team to 9 teams as there could be one team sit out and Clubhouse can still accommodate a max of 8 teams to play at the same time. 		ZW, CT
5	<p>External Affairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) 2022 Asian Games: It has been confirmed that Bridge will be included in the 2022 Asian Games and to be held from Sep 10 to Sep 25, 2022 in Hangzhou, China. JT and ZW will form a committee to work out the detail selection requirement. 		JT, ZW
6	<p>AOB: Nil.</p> <p>The next meeting will be held on November 9, 2020 (Monday)</p>		

18th Council Meeting Minutes

Date: November 9, 2020 (Monday)

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Venue: 20/F, Kelly Commercial Centre, 570-572 Nathan Road, Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon

Present: Officers:

Derek Zen – President (DZ)

Leo Cheung – Vice President (LC)

Pearlie Chan – Secretary (PC)

Zia Wai - Treasurer (ZW)

Council members:

Crystal Tang (CT)

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Item	Content	When	Action
1	Adopted minutes of last meeting.		
2	Follow up matters raised in last meeting (by minutes order): ii) Nil		
3	Financial Affairs: ii) Latest Bank Balance: HKD1.92mil. HKD600K to be returned to HKSI after audit.		
4	Internal Affairs: v) Membership number: for the new website purpose, a new set of membership numbers will be created for members (5-digit		

	<p>number).</p> <p>vi) Master point formula: now reviewing whether there is a need to change the formula of calculating master point for simplification purpose.</p> <p>vii) New website progress update: the new website should be available by end of November for UAT. There will be a mobile phone application for members to download. Functions include viewing member's profile, pre-registration etc.</p> <p>viii) AGM: Confirmed with lawyer that HKCBA cannot postpone 2020 AGM to 2021. Council has decided to hold the AGM on December 15 and will notify members in due course.</p> <p>5 External Affairs:</p> <p>ii) 2021 World Bridge Championships is scheduled to be held in September, however all depends on the COVID-19 situation. For 2021 APBF, Hong Kong will confirm whether it is still possible to organize by end of January 2021.</p> <p>iii) Ms. Wang Yannan from China has been elected to the WBF Executive Council for 2020 – 2022 representing Zone 6.</p> <p>6 AOB:</p> <p>i) APBF trial entry requirement: Considering some members who want to participate in the trial but were not able to be HKCBA members for 2 consecutive years due to the extension of 2019-2020 bridge year, Council has decided to allow those who joined the membership during June 2019 to June 2020 to participate in the trial.</p> <p>The next meeting will be held on December 7, 2020 (Monday)</p>		PC
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19th Council Meeting Minutes

Date: December 7, 2020 (Monday)

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Venue: Zoom

Present: Officers:

Derek Zen – President (DZ)

Leo Cheung – Vice President (LC)

Pearlie Chan – Secretary (PC)

Zia Wai - Treasurer (ZW)

Council members:

Crystal Tang (CT)

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1	Adopted minutes of last meeting.		
2	Follow up matters raised in last meeting (by minutes order): iii) AGM: Council members will join the AGM in Clubhouse. XL will share the Zoom link with DZ for sending to members.		XL
3	Financial Affairs: iii) Latest Bank Balance: HKD2.56mil. HKD600K to be returned to HKSI after audit.		
4	Internal Affairs: ix) New website progress update: progress is slow and estimate to be ready for UAT around Lunar New Year. Facebook and IG will be created.		

	<p>x) 2021 APBF: Selection trial will still be held despite the government restriction on gatherings to select the representatives for all series. China is exploring the possibility to organize the APBF online, so that Zone 6 can select the representatives for the World Championships next year (potentially to be held in Italy, but will change to online if it is not possible to hold the event due to the pandemic). For Mixed Team selection trial, a max of 7 teams will be allowed to enter the trial due to the government restriction on gatherings (half capacity of HKCBA Clubhouse will be used for the trial), if there are more than 7 teams registered, trial points system will be used to select the top 7 teams for the trial.</p> <p>xi) Player's ethnic issue: Council noticed that recently there are players in the APBF Open Team Trial being complaint of their opening bids being too light and their opponents were not being informed in advance. Council is currently using a tracking system to capture all the complaints received and will maintain a record of all the psychic bids and unethical behaviors of players, which will act as future reference when determining the suitability of one's representation.</p> <p>xii) BBO Commentator: KC to prepare a list of preferred commentators for invitation to help in the BBO broadcast, and will present to Council for review in the next meeting. For those who are not on the invitation list, will need to get pre-endorsement by Council to be official commentator in any HKCBA events.</p> <p>5 External Affairs: iv) Nil</p> <p>6 AOB: ii) Remaining HKCBA events in December 2020: Due to the tightening of social gathering restriction imposed by the government, Council has decided to cancel all pairs events in December for the current bridge year. Tournament Operation will try to rearrange the remaining 2 matches of Invitation Team in 2021.</p> <p>The next meeting will be held on January 4, 2021 (Monday)</p>		<p>KC</p>
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