

Minutes for 2004-05 Staff-Student Consultative Committee Meeting No. 05/03

Date: Wednesday, May 4, 2005

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Place: Physics Department Library, 518A Chong Yuet Ming Physics Building

Present:

- Ling Chi Chung (Chairman, Staff Representative)
- Hui Ka Tak (1st Year Representative)
- Pun Ling Fung (2nd Year Representative)
- Tam Kai Hang (3rd Year Student Representative)
- Ma Ping Nang (Physics Society Representative)
- Ren Wei (Secretary & Postgraduate Representative)
- Shen Shun Qing (Staff Representative)
- Chau Hoi Fung (Staff Representative)
- Xie Mao Hai (Staff Representative)

Apologies:

- Steve Fung (Staff Representative)

Absent:

1. Confirmation of the previous minutes

The previous minutes were corrected for Mr. Pun's name spelling. On the basis of this correction the previous minutes were confirmed as correct.

2. Matters arising from the previous minutes

The Physics Society Representative was on his way to our meeting. The relevant discussion was thus postponed later in "Any other business" session.

3. Comments from student and staff representatives

i. Comments from the first-year representative

The first-year representative requested the release of their average GPA results every year. This would benefit for students better study planning.

Drs Chau and Ling responded that the difficulty comes from the unavailability of these data in Physics Department. Therefore perhaps only Faculty office could provide mean and even standard deviation of the GPAs. And for some

courses with a small size (e.g. less than 10 students) these results might not be that meaningful in a statistical sense.

ii. Comments from the second-year representative

There were no comments from the second-year representative.

iii. Comments from the third-year representative

There were no comments from the third-year representative.

iv. Comments from the postgraduate representative

There were no comments from the Physics Society representative.

v. Comments from the staff representative

There were no comments from the Physics Society representative.

vi. Comments from the Physics Society representative

The Physics Society representative reported a survey among our undergrads for the Joint-University Mentorship program. The feedback slightly reflected that the students prefer mentors from home university to other universities.

4. Any other business

Concerning with the proposed social gathering or functions for staff and students, a coming Super Pass Diner at Swire Hall Restaurant would serve as the first step.

Some career talks will be organized by inviting some our alumni working as different professionals. Student representatives could bring this message to their classmates and then collect some suggestion, on the target speaker or etc. For students who want to pursue a career in academic world and study abroad, Dr Chau and other staff members are absolutely right consultants.

5. Date of next meeting

Dr Ling reminded the meeting was the last one in this semester. During the period before next semester any comments would still be welcome via emails.

- The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.
- Ren Wei Secretary & Postgraduate Representative
- May 5, 2005