

LINGNAN UNIVERSITY

A Summary of Discussions and Decisions of the Council Meeting Held on 15 June 2020

1. The Council RECEIVED a report from the President on the activities of the University, including:
 - (a) The University has recently established new agreements on academic cooperation with California State University, Bakersfield (the US), Charles University, Faculty of Arts (Czech Republic), Hainan University (China), Ritsumekan Asia Pacific University (Japan) and South China Normal University (China).
 - (b) The University has renewed its inter-institutional agreement of cooperation with Seoul National University (Korea).
 - (c) The Senate approved the introduction of the Minor in Data Science Programme and the Minor in Law in Business Programme from the 2020-21 academic year.
 - (d) This year, 23 faculty members have received the “Research and Knowledge Transfer Fund Award”, 6 academics for the “Research Output Excellence Award” and 6 Departments/Units for the “Research and Knowledge Transfer Fund Award”.
 - (e) LU was ranked second worldwide in “Quality Education” in the latest Times Higher Education (THE) University Impact Rankings 2020. On top of “Quality Education”, the University was ranked 48th in “No Poverty” and 71st in “Decent Work and Economic Growth” globally. Overall LU came in 101-200 amongst more than 850 universities from 89 countries and regions in the exercise.
2. The Council RECEIVED the following:
 - (a) Confirmed minutes of the Senate meetings held on 30 March 2020,
 - (b) Confirmed minutes of the Board of Governors of the Community College at Lingnan University (CC) and Lingnan Institute of Further Education (LIFE) held on 8 January and 24 April 2020 respectively.
 - (c) Report from the Finance Committee,
 - (d) Report from the Honorary Awards Committee and
 - (e) Report from the Institutional Advancement Committee.
3. The Council RECEIVED the Report from the Campus Development and Management Committee and NOTED the latest progress/updates of the various building projects, *inter alia*, the “Lingnan Hub” project and installation of internal lift system and upgrade of the IT infrastructure and addition of mezzanine level for the user space and a new 24 hours learning area at the Fong Sum Wood Library.
4. The Council APPROVED the proposed revisions to the Lingnan University Statute 6. The updated Lingnan University Statute 6 shall take effect on 1 September 2020.

5. The Council CONFIRMED the meeting dates of the Council for the academic year 2020-21, viz. 12 October 2020, 1 March 2021, 26 April 2021 and 21 June 2021.

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