

(2) **Matters Arising from the 1st General Meeting, IWAHK**

(a) **Registration of IWAHK**

Having made reference to the different arrangements of similar organizations in Hong Kong reported by Ir Otto POON and Ir T O LEE, the Meeting concluded that there was no imminent need for IWAHK to register as a non-profit making organization or charitable body as long as it was regarded as an attachment to WSD. Also, it was not justifiable yet for IWAHK to maintain a bank account since regular income/expenditure was not anticipated. All future income and expenditure would be handled on an event-by-event basis.

(b) **Announcement of Formation of IWAHK**

Ir T O LEE reported that the IWAHQ, all IWA Governing Members and all IWA Members in HKSAR were informed of the formation of IWAHK and the composition of the EC of IWAHK.

(3) **Appointment of New Secretary and Treasurer**

As a result of the retirement of Ir P W CHAN, former Deputy Director of Water Supplies in April 2004 and the subsequent promotion of Ir C C CHAN to Deputy Director of Water Supplies in May 2004, the Chairman announced that Ir C C CHAN and Ir David C W CHAU of WSD were appointed the new Secretary and Treasurer respectively in accordance with Clause 8 of the Constitution of IWAHK. He asked the Secretary to notify IWAHQ of the new appointments.

Secretary

Due to the transfer of Ir M C WONG of WSD to a new post, the Chairman also introduced the new note taker Ir T O LEE to the Meeting.

(4) **Forthcoming IWA and IWA-ASPIRE Events**

The following IWA and IWA-ASPIRE Conferences/Events to be held in 2004 to 2006 were highlighted during the meeting:

- 4th IWA World Water Congress to be held from 19 to 24 September 2004 in Marrakech, Morocco.
- 2nd IWA Leading Edge Conference on Sustainability “Sustainability in Water Limited Environments” to be held from 8 to 10 November 2004 in Sydney, Australia.

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- IWA International Conference on Water Conservation and Management in Coastal Area to be held from 9 to 11 November 2004 in Qingdao, China.
- 2nd IWA Conference on Instrumentation, Control and Automation in Water and Wastewater Treatment to be held from 29 May to 2 June 2005 in Busan, South Korea.
- 1st IWA-ASPIRE Regional Conference & Exhibition to be held from 10 to 15 July 2005 in Singapore.
- 5th IWA International Symposium on Wastewater Reclamation and Recycling Reuse for Sustainability to be held from 15 to 17 November 2005 in Jeju Island, South Korea
- 5th IWA World Water Congress to be held in September 2006 in Beijing, China.

The Chairman said that Ir C C CHAN would attend the 4th IWA World Water Congress as well as the Governing Board Meeting on behalf of IWAHK in September 2004. He requested the Secretary to check with other IWA members and see if an IWAHK delegation could be formed.

Secretary

Regarding the IWA International Conference on Water Conservation and Management in Coastal Area to be held from 9 to 11 November 2004 in Qingdao, China, the Chairman briefed the members that this conference would be an important pre-view of the 5th IWA World Water Congress 2006, Beijing. He was invited to be a member of the Scientific and Technical Committee for this first IWA international conference in China. More than 10 Hong Kong companies/ organisations had pledged their support to the conference some time ago and some of them including WSD would participate in the submission of technical papers. To show the support of IWAHK to this conference in Qingdao, the Chairman appealed to all IWA Members in the HKSAR to inform IWAHK Secretariat of their attendance in order that a delegation could be organised.

(5) World Water Monitoring Day (WWMD) in Hong Kong

In response to IWAHQ's call for support to the World Water Monitoring Day 2004, ie, an annual global education event coordinated by America's Clean Water Foundation (ACWF) and IWA, the Meeting agreed that IWAHK should conduct the

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following promotional measures with the support of WSD:

- (i) liaise with potential co-host partners such as Education & Manpower Bureau, Environmental Protection Department and Drainage Services Department etc to form a working committee for promoting WWMD;
- (ii) coordinate tests to be performed by participants during the period 18 September to 18 October. The target participants should be about 15 secondary schools;
- (iii) host an event at Pok Fu Lam Reservoir, ie, the single registered site for HKSAR, on one of the Sundays in early October. Sampling tests would be carried out by representatives from participating schools under the supervision of organizers during the event. The test results would be submitted to ACWF and IWA for registration;
- (iv) publicize the event through Secretariat Press Office, ETWB.

Based on the above outlines, the Chairman appointed Ir T O LEE to chair the working committee for implementation. The working committee should draw up a detailed action plan in time and keep IWAHK-EC informed of the progress of work.

Ir T O LEE

Regarding sponsorship of the event, Ir Otto POON volunteered to donate some 100 to 500 nos. testing kits for use by the participating secondary schools subject to the actual requirements. The Chairman thanked Ir Otto POON for his generosity and support to this meaningful event and invited him to be the advisor of the working committee.

(6) Any Other Business

(a) Next General Meeting

Ir K L WONG enquired when the next General Meeting would be held. The Chairman replied that the General Meeting should be held on a biennial basis and the coming meeting would be arranged before the end of March 2005 in accordance with the Constitution. All IWA Members in HKSAR would be notified of the meeting in time. Ir Otto POON suggested that the General Meeting could be held in the evening so that a dinner could be arranged after the meeting. The Meeting agreed to Ir Otto POON's proposal and the Chairman requested the Secretary to note.

Secretary

(7) **Date of Next Meeting**

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 11:30 a.m.
The date of the 2nd Executive Committee Meeting would be
advised later.