# A list of the decisions made by the Council at its meeting on 9 December 2008

### Financial report of HKBU for the 2007-08 financial year

1. The Council approved the audited accounts and received the Auditor's Report contained in the <u>financial report of HKBU for 2007-08</u>.

### Appointment to the Council and the Court

2. In accordance with the results of the Council and Court election 2008, the Council appointed Prof. Randy K. Chiu (Department of Management) to the Council, and Prof. Cindy Y.Y. Chu (Department of History), Prof. Janet M. Draper (Department of Education Studies) and Rev. Dr. Ip King Tak (Chaplain) to the Court, each for a two-year term commencing 1 January 2009.

#### **Appointments to Council committees**

Appointee

3. The Council made the following appointments to the Council committees:

Term of appointment

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<b>Campus Development and Facilities</b> <b>Management Committee</b> Rev. Chan Che-keung	1.1.2009 - 31.12.2009
Prof. Barnabas H.K. Chung	1.1.2009 - 31.12.2009
Prof. Chung Ling	1.1.2009 - 31.12.2010
Finance Committee	
Prof. Liu Liang	1.1.2009 - 31.12.2010
<b>Personnel Committee</b> Prof. Randy K. Chiu	1.1.2009 – 31.12.2010

# Appointment to the Board of Trustees of the HKBU 1998 Superannuation Fund

4. The Council appointed Miss Tina Sia as a Non-employer Trustee of the HKBU 1998 Superannuation Fund for a two-year term commencing 1 January 2009.

# Appointment to the Council of Beijing Normal University—Hong Kong Baptist University United International College

5. The Council appointed Mr. Wilfred Y.W. Wong, Council Chairman, to serve on the Council of Beijing Normal University—Hong Kong Baptist University United International College from 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2009.

# **Candidates for Honorary University Fellowship in 2009**

6. The Council approved the award of Honorary University Fellowship (HUF) in 2009 to the candidates put forward by the Honorary University Fellowship Committee of the Council. The candidates would be approached for their consent to accept the award, and the list of HUF candidates for 2009 will be announced by the University Administration in due course.

# Hong Kong Baptist University Foundation

7. The Council approved the establishment of the "Hong Kong Baptist University Foundation" to enhance the ability of the University to raise funds. The HKBU Foundation, to be formally launched in early 2009, will set strategic directions and make strategic plans for the raising of funds. Further details of the Foundation will be announced later on.

### **Progress report on University Strategic Plan 2006**

- 8. The <u>University Strategic Plan 2006</u> was approved by the Council in November 2006. The first report on the major achievements made in the strategic areas of development of the University set out in the Strategic Plan, viz. academic programmes, teaching and learning, research and scholarship, community and professional service, internationalization, institutional advancement, and resource management, was submitted to the Council. Included in the report was a list of items to be given major attention in rolling the Strategic Plan forward to the year 2016, the year of graduation of the first intake of undergraduates under the four-year curriculum. The items are:
  - (a) restructuring the academic programmes and, where appropriate, the academic departments, with a view to enabling the University to better meet the challenges ahead;
  - (b) making the academic programmes more broad-based and cross-disciplinary to further strengthen the whole person education provided by the University;
  - (c) developing the brand name and the positioning of the University vis-à-vis the sister institutions;
  - (d) re-examining the student recruitment strategy; and
  - (e) furthering the internationalization of the University.
- 9. The Council received the report and agreed to give major attention to the above items in rolling the Strategic Plan forward.