

Matters resolved by the Council at its 128th Meeting held on Friday, 26 September 2025

Present

Dr David WONG Yau Kar, GBS, JP	Chairman
Prof Terence CHAN Ho Wah	Deputy Chairman
Ms Imma LING Kit Sum	Treasurer
Dr Henry HO Kin Chung	
Mr KWOK Wing Keung, BBS, MH, JP	
Mr Armstrong LEE Hon Cheung	
Mrs Joanna LI LAU Lai Hing, MH	
Dr Kennedy LIU Tat Yin	
Mr Willie LUI Pok Shek, JP	
Ms Winnie NG, JP	
Prof Eric YEUNG Chuen Sing, JP	
Ms Jennifer YEUNG, JP	
Prof Susanna YEUNG Siu Sze	
Prof Ben YOUNG	
Dr Verena LAU Wing Yin	
Prof Kevin CHAN Ka Shing	
Prof Eric TSANG Po Keung	
Dr Maxwell HO Chun Sing	
Dr Sarah LEE Hoi Man	
Ms Teresa POON Sin Yi	
Miss Choy Wing Yan	
Prof John LEE Chi Kin, JP	President
Prof May CHENG May Hung	Vice President (Academic)
Prof Chetwyn CHAN Che Hin	Vice President (Research and Development)

Member and Secretary

Dr Tom FONG Wing Ho	Vice President (Administration)
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Apologies

Mr CHOY Sai Hung, MH

In Attendance

Prof LO Sing Kai, Associate Vice President (Internationalisation)
Prof Ken YUNG Kin Lam, Associate Vice President (Knowledge Transfer and Sustainability)
Prof Bruce MACFARLANE, Dean, Faculty of Education and Human Development
Prof CHEN Jun Jun, Dean, Graduate School
Prof Bill YEUNG Chi Ho, Dean of Students
Prof John ERNI, Dean, Faculty of Humanities
Miss Michelle CHAN Wai Man, Director of Estates
Ms Cindy CHEUNG Yuen Lai, Assistant Vice President (Talent and Culture) cum
Director of Human Resources
Ms Helen GAI Hui Xia, Associate Vice President (Mainland Engagement and Development) cum
Director of Communications and Engagement

Mr Edmond KUO Hoi, Assistant Vice President (Institutional Effectiveness) cum
Director of Finance
Mr Clifton TONG Chun Wai, Acting Director of Alumni Affairs and Development
Ms Betty SO, Council Secretarial and Administration Manager
Ms Melody TANG Pui Ying, Assistant Manager

Observer

Miss Joyce MO, Research Assistant of Department of Science and Environmental Studies

1. Welcome

The Council welcomed Miss Joyce MO, the Observer, to the Meeting.

2. Report from the Audit Committee

The Council

- (i) noted the major matters that had been considered / endorsed / approved by the Audit Committee at its meeting held on 9 September 2025 and the review of the audited Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2025 (“CFS”), as well as the Risk Refresh Summary and the Governance Report of the University; and
- (ii) approved the Governance Report of the University for 2024/25.

3. Report from the Staffing Committee

The Council

- (i) noted the major Human Resources matters that the Staffing Committee had endorsed / approved / noted via circulation of paper from June to August 2025 and at its meeting held on 8 September 2025; and
- (ii) approved the proposal on Performance-based Reward System 2025.

4. Audited Consolidated Financial Statements and the Treasurer’s Report for the Year ended 30 June 2025

The Council approved:

- (i) the draft audited CFS, the Treasurer’s Report, the Annual Return on the Use of UGC Funds, the two Representation Letters pertaining thereto;
- (ii) the delegation of the authority to sign the audited CFS by the Chairman of the Council, the Treasurer, the President and the Director of Finance, for and on behalf of the Council;
- (iii) the delegation of the authority to sign the two Representation Letters by the President

and the Director of Finance, for and on behalf of the Council; and

- (iv) the delegation of authority to sign the Annual Return on the Use of UGC Funds by the Director of Finance, for and on behalf of the Council.

5. Report from the Finance Committee

The Council noted the major items / issues that the Finance Committee noted / endorsed / approved by the Finance Committee at its meeting held on 1 September 2025.

6. Proposal on the Establishment of a Subsidiary Company and Two Entities in Shenzhen

The Council approved:

- (i) conceptual structure and governance of the EdUHK Education Innovation & Knowledge Exchange Co. Limited 香港教大教育創新與知識交流有限公司 (HKSPV); EdUHK Education and Culture Consulting (Shenzhen) Co., Ltd 港教大教育與文化諮詢(深圳)有限公司 (WFOE); and the Management Committee of the EdUHK Shenzhen Research Institute 香港教育大學深圳研究院 (SZRI);
- (ii) proposed membership composition for the HKSPV, WFOE and the Management Committee of SZRI; and
- (iii) the setting up of the HKSPV, WFOE (EdUHK Training Centre) and SZRI in Luohu District and Nanshan District respectively.

7. Report from the Academic Board

The Council noted the report from the Academic Board and approved:

- (i) the appointment of Professor Eric TSANG Po Keung as Staff Council Member nominated by the Board for a term of three years; and
- (ii) the appointment of Professor Amy HA Sau Ching as a Member of the Honorary Awards Committee under the membership category of “up to three Academic Board Members (elected by the Academic Board and appointed by the Council)” for a term of two years.

8. Report from the Campus Development Committee

The Council

- (i) noted the major items / issues that were noted / discussed / endorsed / approved by the Campus Development Committee at its meeting held on 2 September 2025; and
- (ii) approved the lease and the rental of an office space in Cyberport, Hong Kong, for the establishment of the Centre for Knowledge Exchange.

9. Report from The Education University of Hong Kong Foundation

The Council approved the appointment of Professor Terence Chan Ho-wah, as the Deputy Chairman of the Board of Steward of The EdUHK Foundation and the re-appointment of Ms Christina M. Lee, JP, as a Member of the Board of Steward of The EdUHK Foundation for a term of three years.

10. Annual Report for 2024-25

The Council approved the contents of the Annual Report 2024-25 and delegated the authority to the President, in consultation with Vice Presidents, to make editorial changes and refinements as necessary. The Director (Communications and Engagement) is the primary accountable officer for the Report to make editorial changes and refinements, as necessary.

11. Senior Management Report

The Council noted the major activities and development of the University since the last Council Meeting, including:

(i) Overall developments

Ceremony on Honorary Doctorates and Honorary Fellowship

University awarded Honorary Doctorates to Prof James J. Gross, Prof Lawrence J. Lau, Prof Justin Yifu Lin, Prof Kishore Mahbubani, Dr Michael E. Mann and Honorary Fellowship to the Venerable Kuan Yun in September 2025;

UGC

UGC delegation visited University in September 2025;

Belt and Road

University:

- hosted the Belt and Road International Conference on Multilingual Education, Cultural Heritage and Talent Cultivation in June 2025;
- signed agreements with Al-Qura University in Saudi Arabia and Xinjiang Normal University, China, respectively, in June 2025;

(ii) Academic developments

- updates on the results of admissions for the 2025 entry;
- Information Day 2025 in October 2025
- the implementation of the Learning and Teaching Plan 2024-2027;
- success in integrating the credit-bearing courses with overseas elements in 4 courses during 2024/25 academic year;
- successful completion of the pilot schemes of 'Field Experience in the Greater Bay Area' and 'School Experience in Chinese Mainland';

(iii) Research developments

- successfully secured 42 grants with a total award of HK\$31.25 million in the 2025/26 General Research Fund and Early Career Schemes;

- seven innovative projects of the University were awarded a total of nine prestigious accolades; and

(iv) Student Activities and Support Services

- New Student Orientation Programme in August 2025; and
- success in STEM Internship Scheme 2025 securing over HK\$2.85 million in funding; and participating employers have offered over 200 internship positions;

(v) Administrative developments

IT and Management Information

- rebranding the EdUHK ChatGPT services to EdUHK GenAI, introducing new models and enhanced API for integration and training;
- refining the tool of GenAI assistant for instant transcription and summarization for events and conferences;

Campus Facilities

- update on AA&I projects and environment initiatives;
- the new West Kowloon Study Centre (Austin Road) has officially started operation on 1 September 2025;

12. Decisions by Circulation

The Council noted the approval of the appointments of two external candidates for the position of Headship and Professor, and of Professor respectively (both of them will surpass the extended retirement age of 65 during the proposed 3-year employment period) by way of circulation.