

PORT WELFARE COMMITTEE

**Minutes of the Port Welfare Committee Meeting
held on 28 March 2018 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room A,
24th Floor, Harbour Building, 38 Pier Road, Central, Hong Kong**

Present

Mr Gilbert FENG	Chairman	Hong Kong Shipowners Association
Mr Fared Ahamad KHAN	Member	Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce
Mr WAN Pak Leung <i>(on behalf of Mr Michael MARQUES)</i>	Member	Merchant Navy Officers' Guild – Hong Kong
Mr Bowen LIAO <i>(on behalf of Ms Emma CHIU)</i>	Member	Hong Kong Seamen's Union
Ms Grace CHAN	Member	Labour Department (ex-officio)
Dr LAU Ming-ho <i>(on behalf of Dr Raymond HO)</i>	Member	Department of Health (ex-officio)
Mr CHAN Ming-yau	Member	Marine Department (ex-officio)
Ms Fausta NG	Secretary	Marine Department (ex-officio)

In attendance

Ms Shirley CHOW Marine Department

Absent with apologies

Mr Alok ROY Member Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce

OPENING REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and introduced the following persons -

- (a) Mr WAN Pak Leung, who attended the meeting on behalf of Mr Michael MARQUES as representative of the Merchant Navy Officers' Guild – Hong Kong.
- (b) Mr Bowen LIAO, who attended the meeting on behalf of Ms Emma CHIU as representative of the Hong Kong Seamen's Union.
- (c) Mr CHAN Ming-yau, who had replaced Mr CHOI Chi-chuen as the official Member of the Marine Department.
- (d) Dr LAU Ming-ho, who attended the meeting on behalf of Dr Raymond HO as representative of the Department of Health.

AGENDA ITEMS

I. Minutes of the Last Meeting held on 19 September 2017 (Appendix A)

2. The minutes of the last meeting were circulated to Members for comments in October 2017 and no amendment was received. The minutes were confirmed.

II. Financial Position of the Committee as at 7 March 2018

3. The Chairman briefed Members on the financial position of the Committee as at 7 March 2018 as follows -

Current Account : \$207,884

4. Besides, the Chairman proposed and Members agreed that Marine Department's Treasury Accountant/Internal Audit be re-appointed as the Honorary Auditor of the Committee for 2018-19. On behalf of the Committee, the Chairman expressed appreciation of the professional assistance rendered by Treasury Accountant/Internal Audit to the Committee.

III. Donations Received by the Committee as at 7 March 2018 (Appendix B)

5. The Chairman reported that in response to the Committee's appeal for donations for 2017-18, a total amount of \$170,800 had been received from 26 donors as at 7 March 2018. Compared with the donations of \$163,300 received from 26 donors in 2016-17, this year's donations were \$7,500 more.

IV. Allocation of Grants to Agencies (Appendix C)

6. Based on the donations received in 2017-18, the Chairman proposed and Members agreed that the following amount of subsidies be granted to the two agencies -

The Sailors' Home & Missions to Seamen	\$160,000
The Danish Seamen's Church	\$ 16,000
Total :	<u>\$176,000</u>

7. The meeting noted that \$31,884 would be reserved for meeting the necessary bank charges and other contingency.

V. Any Other Business

8. Members had no other issues to raise at the meeting.

VI. Date of Next Meeting

9. The next meeting would be held in September 2018. Members would be informed of the details in due course.

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Chairman

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Secretary

Port Welfare Committee

April 2018