



Hong Kong Society of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics

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Minutes of the Annual General Assembly, March 14, 2009

Date and time: March 14, 2009, 6:05 pm – 6:45 pm

Venue: S.T.D.M. Auditorium, University Library, University of Macau

Present:

President:	Prof. A.K. Soh	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKU)
Vice President:	Dr. Jane W.Z. Lu	(Dept. of Build. & Const., CityU)
Secretary:	Dr. C.O. Ng	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKU)
Treasurer:	Dr. Y.K. Lee	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKUST)
Members-at-large:	Prof. C.K. Chan	(Dept. of Applied Math., PolyU)
	Dr. C.W. Lim	(Dept. of Build. & Const., CityU)
	Prof. Jian Lu	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., PolyU)
	Prof. S.Q. Shi	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., PolyU)
	Dr. Ryan Yan	(Dept. of Civil & Envir. Eng., UMac)
Nominees for Members-at-large (2009-2010)	Dr. Zhigang Li	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKUST)
	Dr. Yuan Lin	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKU)
	Dr. Yang Liu	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., PolyU)
	Dr. Zhidong Zhao	(Dept. of Civil Eng., HKUST)

Apologies:

Immediate Past-President:	Prof. Q.P. Sun	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKUST)
Members-at-large:	Prof. K.W. Chow	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKU)
	Dr. Paul H.F. Lam	(Dept. of Build. & Const., CityU)
	Prof. Tao Tang	(Dept. of Math., HKBU)
	Dr. Y.H. Wang	(Dept. of Civil Eng., HKUST)
	Dr. Z.Q. Yue	(Dept. of Civil Eng., HKU)
	Prof. L.M. Zhou	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., PolyU)

MINUTES

The 2009 Annual General Assembly of the HKSTAM was held, upon the closing of the 13th Annual Conference of Hong Kong Society of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics / the 5th Jiangsu-Hong Kong Forum on Mechanics and Its Application / Symposium on the Development of Mechanics, in Macau on March 14, 2009. Four distinguished lectures and 45 contributed papers were presented in this two-day event, held in Hong Kong and Macau consecutively. These papers involved altogether 93 co-authors, from the Mainland, Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan, and others.

1. President's Report

The President, Prof. A.K. Soh, presented a verbal report on the activities of the Society in the year 2008 – 2009. The following is a summary of the main activities:

I. Four distinguished lecture series:

- Prof. Chang-Yi Wang, Michigan State University, U.S.A., on May 10, 2008.
- Prof. Nam-Trung Nguyen, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, on September 26, 2008.
- Prof. Shaohua Chen, Chinese Academy of Sciences, China, on December 13, 2008.
- Prof. T.J. Lu, Xian Jiaotong University, China, on December 18, 2008.

A total of approximately 80 people attended the lecture series.

II. Annual Meeting, March 13-14, 2009, HKU and UMac

- 45 contributed abstracts and 88 authors.
- 4 invited distinguished lectures given by Prof. M.K. Kwong (PolyU), Prof. Q. Ren (JSTAM), Prof. K.M. Mok (UMac) and Prof. C.T. Liu (PolyU).
- Total of more than 60 participants including representatives from HKSTAM, JSTAM, University of Macau, and Taiwan.

III. Enhanced exchange activities

- HKSTAM and Jiangsu Society of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics (JSTAM) (May 16-17, 2008, Suzhou, China, The 4th Jiangsu-HK Forum on Mechanics and Its Application; 5 delegates from HKSTAM, 3 received Excellent Paper Award; Prof. A.K. Soh gave a key-note speech).
- The 5th Jiangsu-HK Forum on Mechanics and Its Application (March 13-14, 2009, HKU and UMac, 15 delegates from JSTAM).
- The 6th Shanghai-HK Forum on Mechanics and Its Application to be held in Shanghai, May, 2009.

IV. Organization and sponsor of international conferences

- Non-financial support to the Second International Symposium on Computational Mechanics (ISCM) and the Twelfth International Conference on the Enhancement and Promotion of Computational Methods in Engineering and Science (EPMESC XII), to be held in Hong Kong-Macau during 30 Nov – 3 Dec 2009.
- International sponsor of the Ninth International Conference on Hydrodynamics (ICHHD), to be held in October 2010 in Shanghai, China.

V. Involvement in the IUTAM activities

- Prof. TX Yu continued to serve as the representative of HKSTAM in the IUTAM general assembly.

VI. Status of HKSTAM

- 15 institutional members: HKUST (ME, Civil, Math), PolyU (CSE, ME., ITC, ISE, Math), HKU (ME, Civil), CityU (BC, Math, MEEM), CUHK (MAE), UMac (CEE).
- Full members: 112.
- Student members: 53.

2. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer, Prof. Y.K. Lee, presented a verbal report on the financial activities of the Society in the year 2008 – 2009. (Post-meeting note: a finalized Treasurer's Report, prepared by Prof. Y.K. Lee on April 15, 2009, is provided in Appendix I.)

3. Executive Committee Members for 2009 - 2010

By the Constitutions of HKSTAM, the President (Prof. A.K. Soh), the Vice-President (Prof. Jane W.Z. Lu), the Secretary (Dr. C.O. Ng), the Treasurer (Prof. Y.K. Lee), and the Immediate-Past-President (Prof. Q.P. Sun) will continue to serve in these positions until 2010.

The following candidates were nominated and elected to be the EC Members-at-Large for 2009–2010. Congratulations to them all!

Members-at-large:	C.K. Chan	(Dept. of Applied Math., PolyU)
	K.W. Chow	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKU)
	Paul H.F. Lam	(Dept. of Build. & Const., CityU)
	Zhigang Li*	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKUST)
	C.W. Lim	(Dept. of Build. & Const., CityU)
	Yuan Lin*	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKU)
	Yang Liu*	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., PolyU)
	Jian Lü	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., PolyU)
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	Ryan W.M. Yan	(Dept. of Civil & Envir. Eng., UMac)
	Wenjing Ye*	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKUST)
	Z.Q. Yue	(Dept. of Civil Eng., HKU)
	Jidong Zhao*	(Dept. of Civil Eng., HKUST)

*New EC members.

4. A.O.B.

- a. There was some discussion that Prof. K.V. Yuen of UMac should be invited again to be an EC member of HKSTAM representing University of Macau.
- b. Prof. C.K. Chan would arrange for a distinguished lecture to be held in May, 2009.
- c. To foster possible collaboration and interactions between the two bodies, the MMNC (Mechanical, Marine, Naval Architecture & Chemical) Division of the HKIE would be invited to be an institutional member of HKSTAM.

The Annual General Assembly was adjourned at about 6:45 pm.