



Hong Kong Society of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics

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Minutes of the Annual General Assembly, March 13, 2010

Date and time: March 13, 2010, 6:00 pm – 6:35 pm

Venue: G-04 James Hsioung Lee Science Building, The University of Hong Kong

Present:

President:	A.K. Soh	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKU)
Vice President:	Jane W.Z. Lu	(Dept. of Build. & Const., CityU)
Secretary:	C.O. Ng	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKU)
Treasurer:	Y.K. Lee	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKUST)
Members-at-large:	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 Lu	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., PolyU)
	S.Q. Shi	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., PolyU)
	Ryan Yan	(Dept. of Civil & Envir. Eng., UMac)
	Wenjing Ye	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKUST)
	Jidong Zhao	(Dept. of Civil Eng., HKUST)

Immediate Past-President: Q.P. Sun (Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKUST)

Advisor: A.T.Y. Leung (Dept. of Build. & Const., CityU)

In attendance: W.M. Quach (Dept. of Civil & Envir. Eng., UMac)
Jeff Wang (Dept. of Build. & Const., CityU)
K.Q. Xia (Dept. of Physics, CUHK)
Shuhuai Yao (Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKUST)
J.J. Zhou (Shanghai University)

Apologies:

Members-at-large:	C.K. Chan	(Dept. of Applied Math., PolyU)
	Y.H. Wang	(Dept. of Civil Eng., HKUST)
	Z.Q. Yue	(Dept. of Civil Eng., HKU)

MINUTES

The 2010 Annual General Assembly of the HKSTAM was held, upon the closing of the 14th Annual Conference of Hong Kong Society of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics / the 7th Shanghai-Hong Kong Forum on Mechanics and Its Application, at The University of Hong Kong on March 13, 2010. Five distinguished lectures and 50 contributed papers were presented in this one-day event. These papers involved altogether 110 authors, from the Mainland, Hong Kong, Macau, 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 2009 – 2010. The following is a summary of the main activities.

I. Three distinguished lecture series:

- Prof. James M. Hill, University of Wollongong, Australia, on May 30, 2009
- Prof. Ji-Huan He, Donghua University, China, on September 26, 2009
- Prof. Wanlin Guo, Nanjing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics, China, on January 4, 2010

A total of approximately 60 people attended these lecture series.

II. Annual Meeting, March 13, 2010, HKU

- A record-high number of 55 contributed and invited abstracts, with 110 authors.
- 5 invited distinguished lectures given by Prof. L. Lu (NUS), Prof. D.C. Wan (SJTU), Prof. B. Wang (SYSU), Prof. L.Q. Chen (SU), and Prof. Emily S.C. Ching (CUHK).
- Total of more than 70 participants including representatives from HKSTAM, SSM, and researchers and graduate students from local universities.

III. Enhanced exchange activities

- HKSTAM and Shanghai Society of Mechanics (SSM) (July 4, 2009, Shanghai, China, the 6th Shanghai-HK Forum on Mechanics and Its Application; 7 delegates from HKSTAM, CO Ng and YK Lee gave key-note speeches)
- The 7th Shanghai-HK Forum on Mechanics and Its Application (March 13, 2010, HKU, 7 delegates from SSM)
- Congress of CSTAM 2009, held on August 24-26, 2009 in Zhenzhou, China. HKSTAM delegates: Jane Lu, Jian Lu, CW Lim as honorary guests.

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 HK-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. T.X. Yu continued to serve as the representative of HKSTAM in the IUTAM general assembly. It was agreed that upon the upcoming retirement of Prof. T.X. Yu, Prof. A.T.Y. Leung would take over to be the representative of HKSTAM in the IUTAM general assembly.

VI. Status of HKSTAM

- 14 institutional members: HKUST (ME, Civil, Math), PolyU (CSE, ME., ITC, ISE, Math), HKU (ME), CityU (BC, Math, MEEM), CUHK (MAE), UMac (CEE)
- Full members: approx. 110
- Students members: approx. 90

2. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer, Prof. Y.K. Lee, presented a verbal report on the financial activities of the Society in the year 2009 – 2010. (Post-meeting note: a finalized Treasurer's Report, prepared by Prof. Y.K. Lee on March 25, 2010, is provided in Appendix I.)

3. Amendment of HKSTAM Constitution

It was proposed by Prof. S.Q. Shi, seconded by Prof. Jian Lu, and unanimously agreed by other attendees that, effective from March 2010 onwards, Section 2 under Article VI of the HKSTAM Constitution shall be amended as follows.

Article VI: The Executive Committee

Section 2	The terms of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Immediate Past President, and members-at-large are two years. The terms of other committee members are one year.
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4. Executive Committee Members for 2010 - 2012

Prof. Jane W.Z. Lu will assume the duty of President by constitution. Profs. Jian Lu, Jeff Wang, and Y.K. Lee were elected unopposed as the Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, respectively. Profs. W.M. Quach, K.Q. Xia, and S.H. Yao were elected as new members-at-large.

The following are the elected members for the Executive Committee 2010–2012. Congratulations to them all!

Immediate Past President:	A.K. Soh	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., HKU)
President	Jane W.Z. Lu	(Dept. of Build. & Const., CityU)
Vice President:	Jian Lu	(Dept. of Mech. Eng., PolyU)
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*New EC members.

3. A.O.B.

Prof. Jane Lu presented to members a brief history, the status quo, and some forthcoming activities of the Society.

The Annual General Assembly was adjourned at about 6:35 pm.

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Secretary, HKSTAM

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