

Report on Decisions of Council and its Executive Committee

Decisions in 2025

Date	Resolutions
28 January 2025 (Decision of Council via circulation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> APPROVED the re-appointment of Ir Professor H.C. Man as a Trustee of the PolyU Superannuation Fund for a further term of two years, from 2 February 2025 up to 1 February 2027. According to the composition of the Ancillary Staff Provident Fund Management Committee (ASPFMC), Ir Professor H.C. Man will continue to be a Member of the ASPFMC up to the end of his Council membership term.
12 March 2025 (132 nd meeting of Executive Committee)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> APPROVED, with authority delegated by Council and on the recommendation of the Works Tender Board, the acceptance of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the lowest tender submitted by Wan Chung Construction Co Ltd for improvement works to classrooms at 3/F of P Wing; and (ii) the lowest tender submitted by Hanison Construction Co Ltd for a two-year period for Alterations and Additions Term Contract for Building Works 2025-2027
14 March 2025 (135 th meeting of Council)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> APPROVED the revised University budget and fixed assets budget for 2024/25. APPROVED the appointment of Ir Prof. King Wong as a member of the PolyU Foundation Governing Committee for an initial term of three years from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2028.
31 March 2025 (Decision of Council via circulation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> APPROVED the recommendation of the Council Membership Nominations Committee for re-appointment of Mr Chew Fook-aun as a member of Council under Section 10(1)(d)(ii) of the PolyU Ordinance for a further term of three years from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2028.
7 April 2025 (Decision of Council via circulation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> APPROVED the re-appointment of the following Council members as Trustees of the PolyU Superannuation Fund and Members of the PolyU Ancillary Staff Provident Fund Management Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ir Dr James Lau for a further term up to 31 March 2027; and - Mr Chew Fook-aun for a further term up to 31 March 2028.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> APPROVED the appointment of Mr Ray Chui and Ir Arthur Lee Kam-hung as Court Members for an initial term of two years from 15 April 2025 to 14 April 2027.
8 May 2025 (136 th special meeting of Council)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> APPROVED the enhanced scheme of the Redevelopment of House of Innovation project which will be self-funded by the University. APPROVED the University and Consolidated budgets for 2025/26, estimates for 2026/27 and 2027/28, including the operating budget of the PolyU Foundation, allocation of General Donation Funds for the Endowed Professorship Scheme and Endowed Young Scholars Scheme, as well as the fixed assets budgets of the University and the Consolidated Entity for the same three years.
11 June 2025 (134 th meeting of Executive Committee)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> APPROVED, with authority delegated by Council and on the recommendation of the Works Tender Board, the acceptance of the lowest tender submitted by Young's Engineering Company Limited for the Building Services Repairs and Maintenance Term Contract 2025-2028.
24 June 2025 (137 th meeting of Council)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> APPROVED the following revisions to Section A (Membership and Quorum of the Senate) of the Statute of Senate to align with Senate's decisions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to add the Dean of College of Undergraduate Studies and the Director of PolyU Academy of Artificial Intelligence as ex-officio members of Senate with effect from 1 July 2025; (ii) to retitle the Department of Chinese and Bilingual Studies as Department of Language Science and Technology with effect from 1 September 2025; and (iii) with effect from 1 September 2025, instead of having all Chair Professors, other than Heads of academic units to serve as ex-officio members of Senate, the Head of each academic unit will nominate one Chair Professor, if any, to serve as a Senate member for a term of office of two years, while Chair Professors who are not nominated as Senate members will attend Senate meetings as observers. APPROVED the President's recommendation for the re-appointment of Ir Arthur Lee Kam-hung and Mr Jaime Sze Wine-him as members of the PolyU Foundation Governing Committee for a further term up to 30 June 2027.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • APPROVED the appointment of Dr Yam Kong as a Trustee of the PolyU Superannuation Fund under the category “up to 3 staff-elected members of the Council” for a term in alignment with his term of Council membership, replacing Dr Vincent Cho, whose term of Council membership will expire on 2 August 2025. Dr Yam Kong’s trustee appointment and Dr Vincent Cho’s retirement from the Board of Trustees are further subject to the approval of the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority in accordance with the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes (Exemption) Regulation. <p>According to the composition of the Ancillary Staff Provident Fund Management Committee (ASPFMC), Dr Yam Kong will succeed Dr Vincent Cho to serve as a Member of the ASPFMC under the category “Five members of Council three of whom shall be staff-elected members” during his term of Council membership from 2 August 2025 to 1 August 2027.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGREED to the final text of the 2025-28 University Accountability Agreement to be signed between PolyU and the University Grants Committee. • APPROVED the following changes to the Central Management Team (CMT) structure with effect from 1 October 2025 to enhance the capability and capacity of the CMT in achieving the strategic goals of the University: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Dissolution of the position of Executive Vice President (ii) Establishment of new positions, namely: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Senior Vice President (Research and Innovation), reporting to the President with a secondary reporting line to the Deputy President and Provost (DP) - Vice President (Knowledge Transfer), reporting to the Senior Vice President (Research and Innovation) - Vice President (Administration and Development), reporting to the President (iii) DP will pivot his focus to prioritize education and student affairs, in addition to academic staffing and the operations of Faculties / Schools. He will also spearhead a number of strategic initiatives, including the AI-driven transformation of education to further enhance the university’s student-centric academic ecosystem (iv) Title changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vice President (Campus Development and Facilities) will be retitled as Vice President (Campus and Facilities) - Vice President (Research and Innovation) will be retitled as Vice President (Research)
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