

Summary of Minutes of the Board Meeting of Hong Kong Internet Registration Corporation Limited and Hong Kong Domain Name Registration Company Limited held on Thursday 21 January 2010

1. Update on the new MOU: The Board commented on the revised Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Designation Agreement (DA) and suggested some amendments on the wordings. Members agreed that the Chairman can sign the MOU and DA after OGCIO made the appropriate changes to the documents.
2. Proposal to revamp the HKIRC website: The Board commented on the proposed new web pages for registering new .hk domain names. Management was asked to revise the pages and the flow again using simple and user friendly wordings.
3. Dual remote located load sharing servers for both HKIRC DNS and website to provide essentially fault tolerant processing under all circumstances: Members noted the revised proposal as there are some changes on the Option 2 architecture. The Board approved the revised proposal. The Board also approved the publication of the RFP subject to the changes proposed by Mr Ben Li.
4. Progress update on internal audit: The Chairman asked why Management is required to formulate and execute control measures before the audit commences. Management was asked to clarify with auditors.
5. Implementation plan on registry/registrar (R/R) model: The Board discussed the draft implementation plan on R/R model and made comments on it. The Board endorsed the implementation plan subject to the changes discussed in the meeting. Management was asked to proceed accordingly.
6. Proposal to broaden the membership base of Supply Class: Members approved the proposal to broaden the membership base of Supply Class to include service providers providing Internet-related services.
7. Update on the implementation of ‘.香港’: Members discussed and commented on the draft implementation plan of ‘.香港’. The Board approved the implementation plan and asked Management to proceed.
8. Proposal to hold a member reception before the 2010 AGM: The Board agreed to hold the AGM at Pacific Place Conference Centre this year. The Board instructed Management to inform the stakeholders properly so as to encourage more members and service partners to attend the AGM.

9. Update on 2010 Budget : Members noted the revised budget with the highlighted variations. Management was asked to cut back the expenditure of six items. The Board instructed Management to find ways to reduce the high bank charges. The Board approved the 2010 budget subject to the proposed changes mentioned in the meeting.
10. Items to be carried forward to future meetings : Members agreed that the Board should discuss at least one outstanding item in the coming Board/Executive Committee meetings.
11. Proposal on 2009 performance bonus and 2010 salary adjustment for staff : The Board discussed and agreed on the 2009 performance bonus and 2010 salary adjustment for staff.
12. To conduct random draw to decide on the elected Director to step down at the 2010 AGM : The Board confirmed that Mr Young Wo Sang will be the Director to step down at the 2010 AGM.
13. Selection of auditor for the 2010 Board election : The Board approved the appointment of Grant Thornton as the auditor for the 2010 HKIRC Board election and AGM.
14. Finance and statistics report : The Chairman reported that the actual profit was around \$10M in 2009. This will comfortably cover the projected investments in 2010. The Chairman reported that there is no phishing and spamvertising case reported.
15. Regional IGF meeting in Hong Kong in June 2010 : The Board noted that HKIRC was approached by Mr Stephen Lau from the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) asking the Company to join the organizing committee for a regional IGF meeting in Hong Kong on 17 and 18 June 2010. The Board agreed the Company should take part in any legitimate internet related events held in Hong Kong and asked the CEO to anticipate the time and effort involved.
16. Request from ICAC to schedule HKIRC as a public body : The Chairman reported that ICAC would like to schedule HKIRC as a public body. The Chairman reported that the implication of being scheduled is that all Directors and employees will become “public servants”. However, there is ambiguity in the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance as it states that all members of the Company will also become “public servants” if HKIRC is scheduled. The Chairman will write to ICAC to ask them to clarify the ambiguity.