

Executive Council Report for the AGM - 26th June, 2020 Johnny Shing, President

To conclude my third and last year of the term 2019-2020 as President of the Society, I am much pleased to report to members what the Executive Council (EC) has done in the past year.

Again, I wish to express my sincere thanks to all Executive Council members for their hard work and dedication. They include elected EC's AU Ho Fo, Freddy LEUNG, Agnes CHOW, Willie TAM, Tiger WONG, Patrick LI, Maisie WONG and Nick LEUNG, as well as co-opt members Francis SIN, Fanny SAN, Wing HO, Trevor YEUNG and SIN Hung Ming.

Holding CPD programmes was, is, and will still be, one of the top priorities of the Society in enhancing the knowledge and skills of our members, as well as getting revalidated. Owing to the social unrest period in 2019 and in 2020, the breakout of COVID-19, most of the planned activities/ seminars have been cancelled in the past few months. During the current session, we have organized/ co-organized a total of 4 talks with a total of 8.5 CPD points. Much effort has been expended in providing CPD programmes to members for this purpose and the success of that effort is attributable to the hard work of collaborating EC's.

The Society continues to take a collaborative and supportive attitude towards functions organized by many other organizations and associations, within and outside the field of health and safety. Many of our EC's also actively serve in Government Departments and Educational bodies on OSH related matters in offering professional opinions and advice.

Labour Department:

- Member of Safety Officers Advisory Committee Johnny SHING
- Member of Advisory Committee on Certification of Operators and Special Plants and Equipment – Freddy LEUNG

The Hong Kong Federation of Occupational Safety and Health Associations (HKFOSHA):

- Vice-President Michael LEUNG
- Executive Council Member Johnny SHING

Construction Industry Council:

▶ 建造安全專責委員會,安全技術事宜小組委員會,懸空式棚架工作安全專責小組委員 – Johnny SHING

Occupational Safety & Health Council Safety and Health Committees:

- Member of Construction Industry (1/4/2019 31/3/2023) Johnny SHING
- Member of Electrical & Mechanical Trade and Repair of Vehicles (1/4/2019 - 31/3/2023) – AU Ho Fo
- Member of Information and Communications (1/4/2019 31/3/2023) Agnes CHOW

HKQAA:

Member of OHSAS18001 Technical Committee – AU Ho Fo

The annual event of the Safe Foreman Award was still jointly organized with the Lighthouse Club, under the diligent leadership of Nick LEUNG and other supporting EC's and Co-opt Members. The number of participants this year again broke the record, with over 300 participants. I must mention the contributory effort being made by our Past President, Rheo Lam in making this event a greater success, through Rheo joining the Lighthouse Club himself as a member.

Up to 30 May 2020, we have 535 members. This year, the Society recruited 8 full members. Credit must go to Nick for keeping the membership growth.

To help keep the Society in good financial health, Agnes has been a very dedicated reliable treasurer. Some members might have already been chased by her on the outstanding membership fee. This year, the Society will take a more firm stand on payment of membership fee. It is entirely the responsibility of members to pay up all outstanding membership fees, and also the current membership fee.

I must also mention Freddy, our Honorary Secretary. Without him, we cannot have efficient EC meeting agendas and minutes every month, as well as such close liaison with other sister organizations. Moreover, we have the co-opt EC's Wing, Fanny, Francis, Trevor and Sin Hung Ming who offered their valuable assistance in planning, organizing and engaging in the smooth running of many activities, including this AGM and social gathering etc.

Our trade appears to be dominated by the masculine gender and now this gender imbalance has improved with more lady practitioners joining the profession as well as joining the EC team. For the next term, three beauties, Agnes, Maisie and Nicole amongst the beasts will join as the EC. I would also thank all our past Presidents and Advisors. Without their support and contribution, there is no continual growth and improvement. I must particularly mention that Ms. Ada FUNG, the former Deputy Director (Development & Construction Division) of the Housing Department, HKSAR, accepted our invitation to be an Advisor of our Society. It is anticipated that she helps the Society build a closer tie with the Professional bodies. Last but not least, your unfailing support is crucial. The Society is not a bunch of EC's only. You are a member of this big family, and I long to see more contributions from you all.

Johnny SHING President 2018-2020