



香港手外科醫學會

HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR SURGERY OF THE HAND

23 August 2022

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Hong Kong Society for Surgery of the Hand will be held on Saturday 17 September 2022, at 10:15am, at Seminar Room 09B50B, 9th Floor, Main Clinical Block and Trauma Centre, Prince of Wales Hospital, Shatin, New Territories.

AGENDA

1. **Special resolution:** Amendment of Articles 1, 21, 26, 52 and Article 12 of the Memorandum and Articles of the Society
2. Any other business

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. To reduce spread of COVID-19 pandemic or any potential outbreak of infectious diseases in future, it is desirable to have meeting (including general meeting and council meeting) held online electronically. However, there is no such provision in the Memorandum and Articles of the Society at present. After consulting our legal advisor, we propose amendment of Article 1, 21, 26 and 52 of the Society as follow:

Article 1: Addition of the following definition:

“Meeting”: a meeting may be held either at one place or at 2 or more places using any technology that enables Members who are not together at the same place to listen, speak and vote at the meeting.

Article 21:

“No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum of Full Members is present at the time when the meeting proceeds to business; save as herein otherwise provided, 12 Full Members ~~present in person~~ **either present in person or by proxy, or present at 2 or more places using any technology that enables the Full Members who are not together at the same place to listen, speak and vote at the meeting** shall be a quorum.”



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Article 26:

“At any general meeting a resolution put to the vote of the meeting shall be decided on a show of hands unless a poll is demanded (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands):- (a) by the chairman of the meeting; or (b) by at least 2 Full Members ~~present in person~~ **either present in person or by proxy, or present at 2 or more places using any technology that enables the Full Members who are not together at the same place to listen, speak and vote at the meeting.**”

Article 52:

“The quorum for a meeting of the Council shall be 5 members of the Council ~~present at the time in person~~ **either present at the time in person or present at 2 or more places using any technology that enables the Full Members who are not together at the same place to listen, speak and vote at the meeting** when the meeting proceeds to business ...”

2. To facilitate recruitment of new members (historically most membership applications are received the few months before our annual congress held between March and May) and improve convenience of membership renewal, we proposed the following amendments to Article 12 of the Society:

‘Subscriptions are due on 1st of ~~July~~ **January** of the relevant year and are payable in advance ~~every year~~ **biennially.**’

According to the Companies Ordinance, amendment of Memorandum and Articles of the Society requires a special resolution that is passed by a majority of at least 75% of the total number of members with voting rights (i.e. Full Members and Life Members) voting in person or by proxy on the resolution. Please try your effort to come or assign a proxy by sending us the attached proxy form.

By Order of the Council

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