



Annual Report 2006

1. Officers of the HKERA 2005-2006

The following officers were elected to the HKERA Executive Committee 2005-06:

President	Prof. Ching-fai NG	吳清輝教授	Hong Kong Baptist University
<u>Executive Committee</u>			
Chairperson	Dr. Winnie Wing-mui SO	蘇詠梅博士	The Hong Kong Institute of Education
Vice-Chairperson	Dr. David K. K. CHAN	陳建強博士	City University of Hong Kong
Honorary Treasurer	Ms. Leona Wai-ling LAM	林惠玲女士	Tai Po Old Market Public School (Plover Cove)
General Secretary	Dr. Evelyn Yee-fun MAN	文綺芬博士	The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Membership Secretary	Dr. Sandy Siu-cheung LI	李兆璋博士	Hong Kong Baptist University
Research & Development Coordinator	Dr. Kwok-chun TANG	鄧國俊博士	Hong Kong Baptist University
Forum Coordinator	Dr. TANG Mei-sin	鄧薇先博士	Baptist (Sha Tin Wai) Lui Ming Choi Primary School
Newsletter Editor	Ms. Lida Kuk LEE	李 菊女士	Hong Kong Shue Yan College
Member	Dr. Lee Chi On	李志安博士	Education & Manpower Bureau
Member	Dr. John Chi-kin LEE	李子建博士	The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Honorary Legal Advisor	Mr. Stanley K.W. CHAN	陳家榮先生	
Honorary Chartered Accountant	Mr. Philip F.N. CHEUNG	張福南先生	

2. Forum on School Governance

A forum on *Changing School Governance in Singapore and Hong Kong* was held on 12 November, 2005 at the City University of Hong Kong. The Forum was jointly organized by HKERA and the Comparative Education Policy Research Unit (CEPRU) of the City University of Hong Kong. Speakers included Dr. Jason Tan of the National Institute of Education, Singapore and Dr. Law Hing Chung, Vice-Chairman of the Hong Kong Direct Subsidy Scheme School Council and Principal of Pui Kiu Middle School. Issues on the marketisation of education, competition among schools for student enrolment, issues of choice and diversity, and centralization and control of school governance were explored at the forum.

3. APERA Conference

HKERA will be involved as a co-organizer in the International Conference of the Asia-Pacific Educational Research Association (APERA) to be held on 28-30 November, 2006 at the Hong Kong Institute of Education, Tai Po, New Territories. The topic is on "Educational Research, Policy and Practice in an Era of Globalization: The Asia Pacific Perspectives and Beyond". Conference themes include access and equity in education, teacher education and educational changes, education reform and national development, reforms in curriculum, pedagogy and assessment, application of information technology in education, linking research to policy and practice and so on. Members are strongly encouraged to participate in the conference.

4. Planning of Activities for 2006-07

The Executive Committee has been involved in planning the following:

- a. A seminar/forum on assessment for learning and assessment-related matters to be conducted in April/May 2007. Dr Tang Mei Sin and Ms Leona Lam will work collaboratively on initial preparation for this function.
- b. An International Symposium is being organized for June 07 on 'The Search of New University and New Restructuring Strategies'. Apart from HKERA, co-organizers include Dr David Chan of the Comparative Education Policy Research Unit of the City University of Hong Kong, Professor Mok Ka Ho of the Centre for East Asian Studies of the University of Bristol, UK and Professor Jun Oba of the Research Institute for Higher Education, Hiroshima University, Japan.
- c. A publication to celebrate the next anniversary of HKERA. It could be on a special theme and papers will be invited. School teachers could be more involved as contributors to bridge the gap between educational research and practice.

5. Newsletter

Two issues of the HKERA Newsletter were published in (a) early 2006 and (b) summer 2006 while other announcements were circulated via email. The Newsletter gave information on upcoming conferences, seminars and publications. About 2000 copies of the Newsletter were published and distributed to HKERA members and all schools in Hong Kong.

6. Membership

Members can now have the option of paying membership fees for either 1 year (\$300), 2 years (\$400), 3 years (\$600), or life (\$2,000). There are now 13 life members. It is hoped that more members will join for a longer period of time to save on administrative costs of collecting membership fees annually. A membership drive would be launched, especially to attract teachers of the school sector to join the Association.

7. Proposed Officers of the HKERA Executive Committee 2006-07

The following members were proposed for the Executive Committee of 2006-07:

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