

# **UNION'S CONSTITUTION (2004 Version)**

## SECTION I GENERAL

Article 1 : Name:

- The name of the Union in full shall be ‘ The Hong Kong Green Nature Union [HKGNU], and the name in Chinese is “ 香港綠色自然聯盟 ”, the name in French in full shall be "L'association d'écologie de Hong Kong (LADE HK)". The Chinese and English name had been registered by Government and license no. is REF.CP/LIC/SO/19/30323.

Article 2 : Purpose:

- The Purposes of the HKGNU shall be: Please refer to the “introduction” of the Union.

Article 3 : The director shall be the head of HKGNU

Article 4 : English , French and Chinese shall be the official languages of the HKGNU

## SECTION II MEMBERSHIP

Article 1 : The people who fill in the application or joining form shall automatically be members or committee members of the HKGNU.

Article 2 : All members / committee members of the HKGNU shall pay the prescribed annual fees as described.

Article 3 : No members shall be deemed to withdraw from the HKGNU by himself unless he/she fill in a withdrawal form or have special reasons.

Article 4 : All consultants shall be eligible for permanent honorary membership.

Article 5 : The Union's advisers and consultants, or assistant consultants who are experts within the union, shall be appointed or approval by the senior committees.

## SECTION III PRESIDENT / DIRECTOR

Article 1 : The President / Director of the HKGNU shall have the right to choose members or committee members from anywhere such as schools or universities for organizing the his/her cabinet or administrative units.

Article 2 : The President / Director, with the help of the cabinet / administrative units, is responsible

for administering the HKGNU in his/her assume and execute period.

#### SECTION IV CABINET / ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS

Article 1 : The cabinet / administrative units of the HKGNU shall be composed of a Vice-President / Director ( but not necessary exist ), senior committees / senior cabinet, internal secretary, external secretary, financial minister (Treasurer), secretary of press and secretary of sports, chef of educational and propagated division, chef of administrative and planning division, chef of reforestation, agriculture & environmental division and chef of complier, design & informatics technique support division et cetera.

- (1) The Vice-President / Director shall be the Chief assistant of the President / Director, and shall act on behalf of the President / Director when the president / director is absent or dismissed.
- (2) The Internal Secretary shall be responsible for all official correspondence of the HKGNU, keep the official documents and records of the HKGNU, make agendas and minutes of all meetings of the HKGNU and look after the welfare of the committee members.
- (3) The External Secretary shall be responsible for the upkeep of the property of the HKGNU and the liaison with other Associations outside.
- (4) The Financial minister (Treasurer) shall be the bookkeeper and be responsible for the paying-in and paying-out of the HKGNU
- (5) The Secretary of Press shall issue and check all official press releases and posters of the HKGNU, and be in charge of the propaganda for education issues.
- (6) The Secretary of Sports & Recreation shall be responsible for all sports affairs of the HKGNU

Article 2 : The Director shall have the power to dismiss any officer considered unsuitable.

#### SECTION V ELECTION

Article 1 : No elections shall be hold in the union unless other special cases.

#### SECTION VI CONGRESS

Article 1 : Status

The Congress ( cabinet / administrative units ) of the HKGNU shall be the sole representative of the members as a whole in affairs both inside and outside the union with the approval of the director. The decision of the Congress ( cabinet / administrative units ) of the HKGNU shall possess a higher authority than the decision of any other committees or members even divisions within the union.

Article 2 : Officers

The Congress ( cabinet / administrative units ) of the HKGNU shall be composed of the President /

Director of the HKGNU, cabinet of the HKGNU, and all senior committees. The President / Director of HKGNU shall be the Chairman of the Congress ( cabinet / administrative units ) of the HKGNU.

Article 3 : The Congress of the HKGNU shall have the right to give a vote of censure on its officer who infringes the Constitution of the HKGNU, neglects his duty or behaves improperly. The officer on whom the vote of censure is given shall resign accordingly.

Article 4 : Any motion to discuss the discontinuance of officers' office be carried only by two-thirds of the quorum.

Article 5 : Meeting

(1) The Congress ( cabinet / administrative units ) of the HKGNU shall hold meeting in the presence of the director, division's heads (chefs) or consultants. At the meeting, the HKGNU shall announce the works, activities and financial reports, and propose the projects of future work and activities.

(2) The President / Director of the HKGNU shall convene extraordinary meetings for the Congress of the HKGNU when considered necessary, and must convene extraordinary meeting within a week of the date that one-third of the members of more of the Congress of the HKGNU demand so.

(3) The Internal Secretary of the HKGNU should keep full minutes.

Article 6 : Any new motion of meeting of the Congress ( cabinet / administrative units ) of the HKGNU shall be mentioned to the director, department's heads or consultants a day before its introduction. Then he may explain the matter concerned to the union authorities.

Article 7 : The shall director, department's heads or consultants attend every meeting of the Congress ( cabinet / administrative units ) of the HKGNU to show the importance of such meeting.

Article 8 : Any officer of the Congress ( cabinet / administrative units ) of the HKGNU who requests absence from meeting of the Congress of the HKGNU shall give the reasons and ask for the permission of the director, division's heads (chefs) or consultants before the meeting, or he shall be subject to sanction by the director, division's heads (chefs) or consultants

## SECTION VII GENERAL MEETING.

Article 1 : The HKGNU shall convene General Meeting for all members of the HKGNU whenever necessary.

Article 2 : A motion shall be carried by a simple majority of votes at General Meeting.

Article 3 : The business of every General Meeting shall be to adopt the minutes of the last General

Meeting.

Article 4 : Notice and agenda of every General Meeting shall be put up at least two days before the Meeting is held.

Article 5 : For all purpose the quorum for a general meeting shall be one-third of the members present in person.

#### SECTION VIII RESERVE FUND

Article 1 : The annual surplus of the HKGNU shall be deposited in the reserve fund of the HKGNU. The reserve fund shall be appropriated when considered necessary and approved by the Congress ( cabinet / administrative units ) of the HKGNU.

#### SECTION IX DIVISIONS & UNITS

Article 1 : All divisions and units in the union are the integrated bodies which shall be established in accordance with the members' interests on academics and environmental issues. The purpose shall be to provide members with various wholesome academic and environmental conservation activities.

#### SECTION X DIVISIONS & UNITS REPRESENTATIVES OR HEADS

Article 1 : Each division and unit shall have at least one representative or head (chef).

Article 2 : All representatives and heads shall be officers of the Congress ( cabinet / administrative units ) of the HKGNU.

#### SECTION XI CONSTITUTION

Article 1 : The constitution of the HKGNU shall be interpreted in Chinese.

Article 2 The constitution of the HKGNU shall be altered or amended only when considered necessary by the Congress ( cabinet / administrative units ) of the HKGNU. Amendment made by the congress of the HKGNU shall be subject to the approval of the director.

**THE HONG KONG GREEN NATURE UNION – HKGNU**  
**VERSION IN THE YEAR OF 2004**

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