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Message from the President

It has been my distinct privilege to have the opportunity to serve you all since the inception of our College in 1991. My colleague Councillors have all been working very hard to introduce various programs and activities to ensure that the College could fulfill its statutory functions and to enhance its professional status. Various standing and special committees have been striving hard to accomplish major objectives related to the respective designated tasks. The Fellowship Committee, for example had a difficult task in vetting eligibilities for our fellowship, they did it often at the expense of annoying many applicants. The Education Committee and Accreditation Committee have come up with a number of highly important documents detailing the guidelines for the education and training programs, the accreditation of paediatric units in various hospitals/institutions and the continuing medical education program. The Examination Sub-Committee has continued to co-ordinate the joint examination with the UK Royal Colleges and is now busily looking into mechanism of assessing the "Final year trainees" for certification as Fellows of the College. The Professional and General Affairs Committee has not only been looking after some of the professional matters and health education for the public, but also been busy looking for means to raise funds for the College which is much needed when we move for the new Academy premises.

A number of important events have taken place at the Academy in the past year. These include the retirement of Professor Sir David Todd, the Foundation President of the Academy and the near completion of the Academy building in particular. Of many other academy matters that the College has been significantly involved, one-item is of particular concern to members of our College, and that is the admission to the fellowship via the "Grandfather's clause". This matter hopefully will come to a happy conclusion within the next few months through a general consensus agreeing to abolish such a clause and to ensure that the standard for admission into the fellowship can be recognised at international level.

It is anticipated that by April next year, the Academy building would be completed and before the end of 1998, all the Colleges would be able to move into their respective offices of the building. Although there is no concrete suggestion as to the expenses involved in maintaining the office and various facilities in this new building, the fee would probably not be a low one. For the same reason, I am appealing to you all for help and to think of means to fund raise for the College, so that we could sustain our activities without being jeopardised by the lack of funds.

I have scheduled a meeting with the President of the newly established Royal College of

Paediatrics and Child Health. Among various topics to be discussed, joint intermediate examinations with this new College has already obtained his verbal consent to be established, along similar format as the current arrangement with the UK Colleges of Physicians. I am hopeful that other areas of collaborations including the possibility of reciprocal recognition of training in some of our programs could also be achieved. I hope I shall be able to report back to you some good news soon.

Our contact with sister Colleges outside of Hong Kong have produced variable results. UK Colleges have been very keen to maintain professional links with Hong Kong. Paediatric communities in China are also very keen to exchange with us, and many different forms of collaborations have already occurred with individual fellows and paediatric units besides collaborating with our College. Many fellows have also been closely collaborating with fellows of our sister Colleges in Singapore and Malaysia; active and lively exchange visits and exchange lectures have occurred all through the past few years. The Australian College has recognised our local training up to the final year of their program. Our fellows would be able to write the Australian examination and to obtain their fellowship upon completing one year of working experience in an accredited institution in Australia. I regret deeply that I was unable to obtain North American recognition on a non-individual basis.

Although I travel a fair bit to different places to lecture and to attend meetings not in my capacity as the President, I always take advantage of my travels and contacts to promote the College image whenever the opportunity arises. Earlier this year, when I was invited as the Professor of my department to address the Golden Jubilee Anniversary Meeting of the Philippines Pediatric Society and was given a surprise honour of being made an Honorary Fellow of their society, I took that opportunity to announce myself as a representative of our local College besides being a Professor of my own University to receive the honour. Presently, our neighbours are very confused by the multiplicities of paediatric representations from Hong Kong. I hope that all my fellow-colleagues would help to promote our College whenever there is a chance. It is through collective and united efforts that we can strengthen our stance and project a strong image to the outside world.

There are still a lot to be done in the years ahead. I am sure that my successor and his or her Council will lead our College a new heights in the future. I hope to take this opportunity to thank all my fellow-colleagues who have entrusted me to serve the College for the past seven years and for supporting the various College activities all through these times. The future of the College is counted on your generous and enhanced support which I trust you will continue to give.

Prof. YEUNG Chap-yung
President

Council's Report

In the Annual General Meeting held on 30 November 1996, Prof. FOK Tai-fai, Dr. LEE Wai-hong, Prof. Louis LOW, Dr. Alfred TAM Yat-cheung and Dr. Betty YOUNG Wan-yin were elected as Council Members to serve the Council for three years. Dr. Patricia IP was co-opted as a Council Member for 1 year. It was decided in the Council that it would be desirable to have representation also from the younger Fellows and Dr. Lettie LEUNG and Dr. Anselm LEE were co-opted as Council members for a period of 1 year.

Membership of the Council 96/97

President	Prof. YEUNG Chap-yung
Vice-President	Dr. LEUNG Nai-kong
Honorary Secretary	Dr. CHIU Man-chun
Honorary Treasurer	Dr. TSAO Yen-chow
Members	Dr. CHAN Chok-wan
	Dr. CHAN Kwok-hing, Alex
	Prof. FOK Tai-fai
	Dr. LEE Wai-hong
	Prof. LEUNG Ping, Maurice
	Prof. LOW Chung-kai, Louis
	Dr. TAM Yat-cheung, Alfred
	Dr. YOUNG Wan-yin, Betty
	Dr. IP Lai-sheung, Patricia (co-opted for 1 year)
	Dr. LEE Chi-wai, Anselm (co-opted for 1 year)
	Dr. LEUNG Chuk-kwan, Lettie (co-opted for 1 year)

During the year 1996/97, the Council held a total of 6 meetings, in which the six Standing Committees (including Accreditation, Education, Examination, Membership, Professional and General Affairs and Review Committee) made their reports to the Council.

Higher Training in Paediatrics

The Accreditation Committee had recommended to the Council a higher training programme required by a trainee for Fellowship. It would require a Member to work in an accredited training unit for 3 years after intermediate examination, during which at least 6 months should

be spent in another prospectively approved unit either locally or overseas. 4 written projects would be required to be submitted, which should include review article, clinical report, and research project. An exit assessment would need to be conducted at the end of training. Higher training had already started on 1st July 1997 and for qualification of Fellowship after the end of June of 2000, all trainees must meet the above requirements, but for trainees completing training before that time, they need only to fulfill part of those requirements. The first exit assessment/examination was decided to be held in April/May 1998.

Continual Medical Education

The programme had been implemented on 1 January 1997. Fellows would be required to acquire at least 90 CME points in a three-year cycle. 260 Fellows had registered for the CME programme. Educational activities were organized by the College and some were conducted in collaboration with other Societies or Colleges. A total of 77 category A CME points had been allocated for the various activities organized from January to September 97. Hospitals also participated in educational activities, which were accredited category B CME points.

9th Asian Congress of Paediatrics

The College had collaborated with the Hong Kong Paediatric Society in hosting the 9th Asian Congress of Paediatrics in Hong Kong in March 1997. The theme was “Paediatric Priorities in the 21st Century”. The Congress was well attended with over 1500 delegates from Asia and other parts of the world. There were 8 plenary lectures, 52 symposia, 10 workshops and over 50 free paper sessions.

Intermediate Examination

Examinations were continued to be conducted jointly with the Royal Colleges of UK twice yearly. There were four hospitals serving as centers. They were Prince of Wales Hospital, Princess Margaret Hospital, Queen Elizabeth Hospital and Queen Mary Hospital. The total number of candidates passing the examinations held this year were 24. With the formation of the new UK Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health, a new agreement for future examination would be made to involve the new College.

HK College of Paediatrician Foundation

It was incorporated on 16 June 1997 as a charitable body for raising funds for the College. Subscribers included Prof. T.F. FOK, Dr. Vincent LEUNG, Dr. N.K. LEUNG, Dr. Alfred TAM, Dr. Y.C. TSAO and Prof. C.Y. YEUNG. Fund raising projects would be organized.

Health Issues with Social Implications

A public seminar on “Prevention of Suicide among School Children” had been organized and a statement on “ Sports and Physical Activities for Children in Health and Disease” had been issued followed by some training sessions conducted for teachers. A presentation had been made to the Legco Bills Committee in support of the amendments to the smoking ordinance to prohibit tobacco advertising and smoking in public places.

Hong Kong Journal of Paediatrics

The joint official publication of the College and the Hong Kong Paediatric Society had produced two issues this year on time. One had a theme on neonatology and the other on community paediatrics. Clinical Quiz had been added and MCQs questions set for Follows to gain their CME points.

Membership

34 Fellows, 21 Members and 16 Associates were admitted. By November 1997, there was a total of 321 Fellows, 88 Members and 97 Associates. There were altogether 23 members of the College nominated to the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine for Fellowship, and at present there are 313 Fellows of the Academy with FHKAM(Paed). A new category of overseas membership was proposed to be created. They should be at least 2 years away from Hong Kong, but must revert back to local membership upon returning to Hong Kong. The subscription fee would be reduced by 50%. They would have the right to vote.

Dr. CHIU Man-chun
Honorary Secretary

Hon. Treasurer's Report

The balance sheet for the year 1/4/96 to 31/3/97 is set out in the Hon. Auditor's Report and it shows a surplus of HK\$214,368.86 for the financial year.

Our total reserve at the end of the financial year was HK\$1,193,089.16.

In the last Council meeting it was resolved that the reserve might be invested in fixed income instruments to generate extra income for the College. However, as our College has been granted tax exemption status, this needs to be cleared by our legal advisor first.

Up to time of writing this report, 25 members have been elevated to be Fellows, 2 new Members have been admitted, 10 Associates have been made Members and 14 new Associates have joined the College.

The paid-up membership of the College stood at 303 Fellows, 83 Members and 100 Associates on 18/8/1997.

10 Fellows, 5 Members and 10 Associates have not yet paid their 1997 subscription despite a notice and two reminders and some telephone calls. The Hon. Secretary has been notified to suspend further communications until the subscription has been paid, according to the resolution passed at a previous Annual General Meeting.

I should like to remind all College members to please check their bank accounts before writing their cheque or filling their Direct Debit Authorization form. We had 4 cheques returned by the bank either because the account has already been closed or because there was not enough balance in the account. Even some Direct Debit Authorizations had been rejected by the banks. All these entailed unnecessary clerical work and created bad image for the College.

I am grateful to Walter Ma & Co. for once again auditing our account with great courtesy and efficiency.

Dr. TSAO Yen-chow
Honorary Treasurer

Standing Committees

Accreditation Committee's Report

Chairman	Dr. TSAO Yen-chow
Hon. Secretary	Prof. LEUNG Ping, Maurice
Members	Dr. CHAN Kwok-hing, Alex
	Dr. CHAN Chok-wan
	Prof. FOK Tai-fai
	Dr. LEUNG Nai-kong
	Prof. YEUNG Chap-yung

As mentioned in our last annual report, the accreditation of higher training was scheduled to start on 1st July, 1997. It was agreed that for the time being, only **F.H.K.C.Paed.** without any subspecialty designation will be awarded to trainees who have completed the higher training in paediatrics. This makes the higher training programme more flexible and can also accommodate trainees who are already undergoing subspecialty training. However, as people so qualified may practice general paediatrics if they choose to, it was felt that they should also have at least one year of general paediatrics, defined as *acute emergency hospital admission of children, not restricted to any age group or subspecialty*, during their period of higher training.

An open forum was held on 25th April, 1997 to further discuss all the details and implications of the higher training programme. Invitations were sent to all the trainers and trainees of all the training units. Following the open forum, the Accreditation Committee made the following recommendations to the Council which were subsequently adopted:

1. The higher training in paediatrics would start on 1st July, 1997
2. **Trainers:** Fellows of HKCPaed working in a recognized unit and other trainers recognized by the College.
Trainees: Members of HKCPaed, having completed 3 years of basic training and passed the intermediate examination, or the equivalents of the above accredited by the College.
Trainer : trainee ratio = 1:2 and not to exceed 1:3 for basic and higher training.
3. **Training programme:**
3 years in recognized units
at least one year of general paediatrics as defined above
at least 6 months in another prospectively approved unit either locally or overseas

4. **Documentation of higher level of responsibility** for trainees:
 - on-call duty list
 - supervisory or administrative work endorsed by the supervisor or chief of service
5. **4 written projects**, at least one from each of the following categories:
 - i. **review article** - in depth review of a topic of interest with literature search of no less than 5 years
 - ii. **clinical report** - of one or a series of cases of special interest with discussion on investigation and management, must include literature review
 - iii **research project** - can be either a prospective or a retrospective study, must include description of the aim, methodology and statistical analysis of the study. For prospective study, as time is limited, the mere description of the above items in detail with literature backup is acceptable, although it would be preferable to have carried out the actual proposed project with results and conclusion
6. **Exit assessment**, including interview, and assessing the log sheets and the above documents
7. To be qualified for elevation to Fellowship after the end of June, 2000, all trainees must meet all the above requirements. Trainees completing their training before then need only fulfill part of the requirement pro rata as will be set by the Examination Committee.

Follow-up on the Accreditation of Training Programmes

Prof. Karlberg of the Department of Paediatrics, University of Hong Kong, has kindly designed and written the programme for recording the movement and activities of the trainers and the trainees. It is now at the trial stage and hopefully will be in service soon. I wish to take this opportunity to record our appreciation for the tremendous service Prof. Karlberg has rendered our College.

Accreditation of Continuous Medical Education (C.M.E.) Programmes

It has been previously agreed in the Council that the accreditation of CME programmes will be left in the hands of the CME Subcommittee for 2 years in order to facilitate the smooth running of the CME at the start. Professor Maurice P. Leung is the official representative of the Accreditation Committee at the CME Subcommittee.

Exchange Training Programmes

It became obvious that although many paediatric units have been recognized as training units, they cannot fulfill all the requirements for the entire training programme as regards either the basic or the higher training. Some form of linkage with other hospitals or units are therefore necessary. Because of difficulties in making such arrangements within the present system, talks have been held between the College, the Hospital Authority and the Department of Health.

Subspecialty Development

The Academy is now pushing ahead with the registration of subspecialty programmes within individual Colleges. Apart from the subspecialties and general paediatrics as listed in the Guideline for Postgraduate Training and Accreditation, our College has also registered the requirements for attaining FHKCPaed without further qualification as this has implication in the future Hong Kong Medical Council Specialist Register.

Other activities of the Accreditation Committee

During the past year, the Accreditation Committee has visited and accredited another paediatric unit for basic training (6 months general paediatrics and 6 months flexible module). A hospital has the recognition of its neonatal programmes extended for another 2 years. 2 trainees had applied for 6 months training in an A & E department to be recognized. They were approved as part of the flexible basic training. A teacher in an approved institute who was not a Fellow of the College applied to be a recognized trainer. After reviewing his curriculum vitae, his application was approved. He has subsequently become a Fellow of the College.

Dr. TSAO Yen-chow
Chairman

Standing Committees

Education Committee's Report

Chairman	Dr. LEUNG Nai-kong
Hon. Secretary	Prof. LOW Chung-kai, Louis
Members	Dr. AU YEUNG Cheuk-lun, Henry
	Dr. CHAN Tat, Eddie
	Dr. CHIU Cheung-shing, Daniel
	Dr. NG Yin-ming
	Prof. SUNG Yn-tz, Rita
	Dr. YOUNG Wan-yin, Betty

The Committee held five meetings this year. The major issues deliberated and carried out by this Committee include :

- (1) Continuing medical education
- (2) Postgraduate training of paediatricians
- (3) Additional training programme
- (4) Educational activities

After two years of preparation, the Continuing Medical Education (CME) programme was finally implemented on 1 January 1997. In accordance with "the Guidelines of Continuing Medical Education", each Fellow irrespective of his place of residence, is required to acquire at least 90 CME points in a three-year CME cycle. As of 30 September 1997, 260 Fellows had registered to undertake the CME programme.

In addition to organising our own educational activities, the College collaborates with the Hong Kong Paediatric Society and all paediatric subspecialty societies to provide a variety of interesting activities for Fellows to participate in. Selected educational activities in recognised public institutions were open to Fellows in private practice. Three study groups (two local and one overseas) were formed by Fellows in private practice and they have organised regular scientific meetings. International and regional meetings on paediatrics and activities organised by sister colleges of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine were also awarded CME points upon application. From 1 January 1997 to 30 September 1997, CME activities with a total

allocation of 77 category A CME points had been organised by our College, Hong Kong Paediatric Society and the paediatric subspecialty societies.

With the help of the Paediatric Departments of the public institutions, a postgraduate training programme for trainees undergoing basic training was again implemented. The programme consisted of 22 lectures, 4 seminars, 3 quiz sessions and 17 bedside teaching sessions running from January to August 1997. Fellows of the College and guest lecturers provided teaching at various public hospitals to the 37 trainees enrolled in the programme.

While the basic training programme has been running since July 1995, the higher training programme was formally implemented on 1 July 1997. Each trainee has to undergo higher training for three years during which one year must be spent in general paediatrics with acute emergency hospital admission of children, not restricted to any age group or any subspecialty. At least 6 months will be spent in another prospectively approved unit in order to widen the trainee's experience and exposure. By the end of the training period each trainee will be required to complete four written projects, in the form of review articles, clinical reports or research projects, at least one from each category.

At December 1996, there were 147 trainees (81 basic and 66 higher) undergoing training provided by 107 trainers in 12 institutions accredited by the College.

During the year, one Member has started and two Members have completed an additional training programme under supervision in approved institutions. Such programme enables Members of the College to become Fellows of the College and the Academy.

The College collaborated with Hong Kong Paediatric Society in hosting the 9th Asian Congress of Paediatrics in Hong Kong on 23 to 27 March 1997. Over 1500 delegates from Asia and other parts of the world participated in a varied and interesting scientific programme consisting of 8 plenary lectures, 52 symposia, 10 workshops and 53 free paper sessions which were centred on the theme of "Paediatric Priorities in the 21 st Century".

A scientific meeting was held jointly with Hong Kong College of Physicians on 8 November 1997. A keynote lecture on "Some Recent Studies on the Gene Therapy of Cancer" was delivered by Prof. Y.W. KAN. Members of our College delivered 4 lectures and 8 free papers.

Long term follow-up of childhood cancer survivors	- Prof. Patrick YUEN
Meconium aspiration syndrome: new treatment for an old disease	- Dr. Barbara LAM
Management of children with developmental disabilities	- Dr. Rose MAK
International child care practices study and cot death risk factors	- Prof. E.A.S. NELSON

Our college was invited to participate in the 11th Scientific Meeting of the Guangdong Paediatric Society of the Chinese Medical Association (廣東省第十一屆兒科學術會議) in Guangzhou on 19 to 21 September 1997. A delegation led by Dr. N.K. LEUNG, Vice-President, participated in the meeting and presented the following papers :

Delivery of child health services in Hong Kong	- Dr. LEUNG Nai-kong
Perinatal and neonatal care in Hong Kong	- Prof. FOK Tai-fai

Other scientific and educational activities organised by the Committee in the past year include:

Date	Topic	Speakers
5 Jan 97	Update on Respiratory Diseases in Children	
	Introduction to CME	Dr. LEUNG Nai-kong
	Update on Childhood Asthma	Dr. TAM Yat-cheung, Alfred
	Update on Respiratory Infections and Sleep Apnoea	Dr. SO Kwan-tong
4 May 97	Update in Paediatric Endocrinology	
	Endocrine Test	Dr. C.C. SHEK
	Diet and Endocrine Disorders	Prof. Gary WONG

	Growth Disorders	Prof. Sophia LEUNG
	Molecular Basis of Endocrine Disorders	Dr. P.T. CHEUNG
7 Sep 97	Update on Paediatric Cardiology Kawasaki disease	Dr. Y.M. NG
	Prevention of infective endocarditis and sudden death in children with congenital heart disease	Prof. Rita SUNG
	Interventional cardiac catheterisation in children	Prof. Maurice LEUNG
9 Oct 97	Lecture on “Molecular biology and paediatric endocrine disease”	Prof. Ieuan A. HUGHES
4 Nov 97	Lecture on “Migraine in Children”	Dr. Keith BROWN

I would like to thank members of the Education Committee and of the subcommittees for their enormous contribution to the work of the Committee. I am particularly indebted to the dedication and hardwork of the following subcommittees :

(1) Continuing Medical Education Subcommittee

Chairman	Dr. CHIU Cheung-shing, Daniel
Vice-chairman	Prof. SUNG Yn-tz, Rita
Hon. Secretary	Dr. WONG Sik-nin
	Dr. AU YEUNG Cheuk-lun, Henry
	Dr. CHAN Kwok-hing, Alex
	Dr. CHAN Mui-kwan, Anita
	Prof. LAU Yu-lung
	Prof. LEUNG Ping, Maurice
	Dr. LEUNG Nai-kong
	Prof. LOW Chung-kai, Louis
	Dr. TAM Yat-cheung, Alfred
	Dr. YUEN Hui-leung
	Dr. YUEN Kar-ngai, Robert (until March 1997)

(2) Postgraduate Training Programme

Co-ordinator

Prof. LOW Chung-kai, Louis

(3) Organising Committee for the Joint Scientific Meeting with Hong Kong College of Physicians

Convenor

Prof. LOW Chung-kai, Louis

Prof. SUNG Yn-tz, Rita

Dr. YOUNG Wan-yin, Betty

My sincere gratitude goes to all Fellows and guest speakers for their contribution to the educational and scientific activities in particular for the 9th Asian Congress of Paediatrics. I am grateful to the many Fellows who have made valuable comments, suggestions and contributions to the CME programme. The Committee is committed to organising a wider range of activities next year to meet the different needs of Fellows, Members and Associates.

Dr. LEUNG Nai-kong
Chairman

Standing Committees

Examination Committee's Report

Chairman	Prof. YEUNG Chap-yung
Secretary	Dr. LAU Yu-lung
Member	Dr. CHIU Man-chun
	Dr. LEE Wai-hong
	Dr. LEUNG Nai-kong
	Dr. YUEN Man-pan, Patrick

The Examination Committee has continued to oversee and organise joint examinations with the UK Royal Colleges. This examination is held twice yearly in February and October. With the formation of the new UK Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health, verbal agreement has been reached with the President that similar arrangement of joint examination will be continued.

We are grateful to the hospitals which have hosted these joint examinations last year. We are specially grateful to the staff of these respective paediatric units for their contribution and devotion in organising these examinations which have been highly commended on by the UK examiners.

Our College has continue to contribute in both the Part I and Part II examinations at the UK Royal Colleges. We are represented by Dr. M.C. CHIU and Prof. C.Y. YEUNG in the Part I and Part II Examination Boards respectively. We shall continue to part-take in the UK Royal Colleges' Examination Boards in the foreseeable next few years.

We are also beginning to draw up proposal for a structured exit assessment/examination to certify paediatric specialists in Hong Kong. It is anticipated that examination panels will be drawn to conduct formal assessment of candidates for exit certification soon. After the initial few years of local experience, assessors from external sources are also contemplated.

The following are the results of the past two joint MRCP & HK College Paediatric Intermediate Examinations.

	October 1996	February 1997
Examination Centres	Queen Mary Hospital Queen Elizabeth Hospital	Prince of Wales Hospital Princess Margaret Hospital
Examiners	Dr. C.Y. YEUNG HK Dr. L.C. K. LOW HK Dr. N.K. LEUNG HK Dr. W.H. LEE HK Dr T.F. FOK HK Dr. R. SUNG HK Dr. A. HOUSTON UK Dr. M.M. LIBERMAN UK Dr. TG MARSHALL UK	Dr. T.F. FOK HK Dr. P. YUEN HK Dr. W.H. LEE HK Dr. C.B. CHOW HK Dr. P. LEUNG HK Dr. M.C. CHIU HK Dr. T. TURNER UK Dr. P.M. CROWLE UK Prof. J.A. DODGE UK
Candidates (Part II)	Entry : 26 Passed : 13	Entry : 20 Passed : 9

**Prof. YEUNG Chap-yung
Chairman**

Standing Committees

Membership Committee's Report

Chairman	Dr. CHAN Chok-wan
Hon. Secretary	Dr. CHAN Kwok-hing, Alex
Members	Dr. LEUNG Ping, Maurice Dr. LEUNG Suk-fong, Sophie Dr. SO Lok-yee Dr. CHIU Man-chun (ex-officio)

The Committee held four meetings (4/12/96, 4/03/97, 11/06/97 and 8/10/97) this year and all meetings were well attended by Committee Members.

The Committee deliberated issues on

1. Application for admission to the different types of membership of the college by local and overseas doctors.
2. This year we abolished the old system of annual exercise for elevation and election of members and fellows for the convenience of applicants and for avoidance of workload clustering during the months of June to August for both the Membership Committee and for the Council. With this amendment, we now vet applications for membership and fellowship at each meeting. However, the Council has agreed to set deadline for inclusion of applicants before 15th July each year in order for successful fellows to be admitted at the AGM for the same year.
3. Vetting and recommendation of Members/Fellows of the College who are eligible for election to be FHKAM(Paediatrics) under Bylaw 16 of HKAM with reference to the following criteria:

Cat. I are those members of the College who has attained an internationally recognized higher qualification and completed 6 years of appropriate post-registration training.

Cat. II are those members of the College who has attained an internationally recognized higher qualification and has done consistent good practice in paediatrics, but who has had 3 or more but less than 6 years appropriate post-registration training in paediatrics;

every 3 years of full-time specialist practice is considered as equivalent to 1 year of appropriate post-registration training. Fractions of the 3 year period will be considered proportionally and the adjusted training period should then add up to 6 years.

The Academy will, however, retain absolute discretion over which nominees should be admitted as Fellows of the Academy.

4. Vetting and recommendation of members who are eligible for election to be College Fellows with reference to the following criteria:
 - I Those who have fulfilled college requirement for training and intermediate examination as set down by the Bye-law of the College*
 - II Those who have been elected and awarded FHKAM(Paed.) by the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine*
5. The Committee has taken note of the following important data:
 - I Commencement of the structured higher training programme set down by the College on 1st July 1997.
 - II Commencement of Exit Assessment of candidates for elevation into College Fellowship with effect from 1st July, 1998 as recommended by the Academy Council
 - III Proposal of the Academy Council to rescind Bye-law 16 for Fellowship admission before year 2002 (9 years after the Academy inauguration in 1993) or even earlier.
6. Updating the information of Fellows and Members.
7. Use of Log Book for assessment of basic training consequent to the commencement of structured basic training since July 1st 1995. Vetting of Log Book will be strictly enforced by July 1st 1998.
8. Vetting of the Log Book regarding CME fulfillment of College Fellows will be taken up by the CME Subcommittee under the supervision of the Education Committee for the first two years after launching (1st January 1997).
9. Order by the College Council to new applicants that only and only if applications

accompanied by cheques (including payments for all membership fees in arrears and relevant surcharge plus admission fees and first year subscriptions) would be considered by the Membership Committee so as to improve collection of Admission Fees and Annual Subscriptions for newly elected College Fellows and Members: this has always been a problem for the Treasurer in the past.

10. Effective date for the calculation of Intermediate Examination will be based on the date of conferment of diploma and not on the date of successful passing of the examination.

The Committee has made the following recommendations to the Council of the College:

1. Admission of the following Members/Fellows into the College:
 - 16 Associates
 - 21 Members (4 new members + 17 from existing associates)
 - 34 Fellows
2. Total Membership of our College up to AGM (November 1997)
 - 321 Fellows
 - 88 Members
 - 97 Associates
3. Nomination of 23 members of the College to the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine under Bye-law 16
 - 18 under Category I
 - 5 under Category II
4. There are now altogether 313 Fellows of Hong Kong Academy of Medicine (Paediatrics) up to November 1997.
5. Division of Labour between College Standing Committees for elevation of members to College fellowship after completion of Higher Training was approved by the Council:
 - a) Vetting of supervised training including log books and writing-ups and successful applicants awarded with a certified document (Examination Committee)
 - b) Exit Assessment and award of certified document (Examination Committee)

- c) Accreditation of overseas training and training programme not in direct alignment with the college regulation, *if necessary*, with award of certified document for successful candidates (Accreditation Committee)
 - d) Scrutinization of data for elevation (Membership Committee)
 - e) Recommendation to the Council for elevation into College Fellowship (Membership Committee)
6. Membership Committee would be responsible to recommend to College Council for termination of membership for College Members and Fellowships who, according to the College Memorandum and Article, should cease to be membership of the College.
7. Members eligible for recommendation to the Academy for award of FHKAM (Paed) under Bye-law 16 should apply to the Membership Committee through the Hon. Secretary of the College upon announcement of the news via the College Newsletter instead of the previous practice of application by invitation from the Membership Committee.
8. A set of Explanatory Notes designed and approved by the College Council for applicants eligible for College Membership and Fellowship.
9. A Position Paper on “College Overseas Membership” was proposed by the Membership Committee and approved by the College Council with the following criteria
- a) Length of stay away from Hong Kong: at least 2 years (documentary proof required)
 - b) 50% reduction in Subscription Fees
 - c) Must revert back to local membership upon return to Hong Kong for 3 months or more
 - d) Overseas members will have rights to receive Journal of the College, Newsletter and Annual Reports, to use College facilities in HKAM and to attend College meetings during their visits to Hong Kong.
 - e) Overseas members will not receive other local correspondence.
 - f) Overseas fellows have right to vote

- g) Yearly submission of documentary proof of fulfillment of CME requirement in their country of residence is required. This requirement is subject to amendment when further guidelines on CME requirement are issued for overseas membership.
10. Electronic Database for Member/Fellow Directory was recommended to and approved by the College Council and is on the way of compilation.

Dr. CHAN Chok-wan
Chairman

Standing Committees

Professional and General Affairs Committee's Report

Chairman	Dr. TAM Yat-cheung, Alfred
Hon. Secretary	Dr. LI Chi-kong
Members	Dr. CHOW Chun-bong
	Dr. Robert FUNG
	Dr. Patricia IP
	Dr. LI Chi-keung
	Dr. Vincent LEUNG
	Prof. YEUNG Chap-yung
	Dr. Betty YOUNG
	Dr. Robert YUEN

Scope of Work

The Committee met 5 times in the year. In the beginning it decided to work on the following areas, in the light of the work done last year:

1. To continue the work of the Newsletter in order to communicate with members of the College.
2. To promote social activities among members of the College.
3. To continue the work of the College's participation in public health related issues.

The Hong Kong College of Paediatricians Foundation

The Foundation was formally incorporated on 16th June 1997 as a charitable and tax exempted body. Its primary mission is to raise funds for the College. The Subscribers have recently appointed the following Executive Committee members:

Chairman	Dr. Alfred TAM
Vice-chairman	Dr. TSAO Yen-chow
Hon. Secretary	Dr. Paul KO
Hon. Treasurer	Dr. Vincent LEUNG
Members	Prof. CY YEUNG
	Dr. NK LEUNG
	Prof. TF FOK

Fund raising projects are being actively planned.

Social Activities

Some 40 members and their families enjoyed a hiking trip from Parkview to Tai Tam in 19th January. The walk was followed by refreshments and a lecture. Other social functions like tours into China were being planned.

Health Issues with Social Implications

A public seminar on 'Prevention of Suicide among School Children' was organized on 28th November 1996, in which Prof. CY YEUNG, Drs. HO Ting-bong, Sylvia LEUNG, Alfred TAM and John TSE were the speakers. A statement on Sports and Physical Activities for Children in Health and Disease was published in March 1997. It received attention from the media and in the 1997 International Sports Medicine Congress: Sports and Children, where Dr. CHOW Chun Bong gave a presentation on the topic. Dr. Alfred TAM also represented the College to speak in a seminar for teachers organized by the Education Department. Funds are being sort for the statement to be printed and distributed to parents concerned in the schools. A more detailed statement will be prepared for teachers and more teachers training will be done in the coming year.

The College, represented by Prof. CY YEUNG and Dr. Alfred TAM, made a presentation to the Legco Bills Committee on 5th June 1997, in support of the Amendments to the Smoking Ordinance to prohibit tobacco advertising and smoking in public places. The Ordinance was eventually amended towards the right direction, although not to an extent that the College would like to see.

**Dr. TAM Yat-cheung, Alfred
Chairman**

Review Committee's Report

Chairman	Dr. TSAO Yen-chow
Hon. Secretary	Dr. IP Lai-sheung, Patricia
Member	Dr. CHAN Chok-wan
	Dr. CHENG Man-yung
	Dr. CHIU Lee-lee, Lily
	Dr. KO Yiu-shum, Paul

No appeals or complaints were received during the past one year and so the Review Committee did not meet during the year.

**Dr. TSAO Yen-chow
Chairman**

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Account- 3

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NEW FELLOWS, MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATES

The following doctors were elected as
Fellows of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians
on 29 November 1997

<i>DR CHAN KWOK NING</i>	陳國寧醫生
<i>DR CHAN SIU YUEN</i>	陳笑園醫生
<i>DR CHEUNG CHI HUNG, PATRICK</i>	張志雄醫生
<i>DR CHIU SHUI SENG, SUSAN</i>	招瑞生醫生
<i>DR CHIU SUI KWAN</i>	趙瑞君醫生
<i>DR CHIU WA KEUNG</i>	趙華強醫生
<i>DR CHIU WING, RICHARD</i>	趙永醫生
<i>DR CHOW SIU NGAN</i>	周笑顏醫生
<i>DR FAN WING CHEONG</i>	范榮昌醫生
<i>DR HO HING TUNG</i>	何慶彤醫生
<i>DR KO PO WAN</i>	高步雲醫生
<i>DR KOO KUEN KUEN, BETTY</i>	顧娟娟醫生
<i>DR LAM CHIN FAI, EDWIN</i>	林展輝醫生
<i>DR LEE CHEUK HON</i>	李卓漢醫生
<i>DR LEE KWOK PIU</i>	李國彪醫生
<i>DR LEE SHING YAN, ROBERT</i>	李誠仁醫生
<i>DR LEE WAI YIN, CHRISTINE</i>	李慧妍醫生
<i>DR LEUNG NGAN HO, THERESA</i>	梁銀河醫生
<i>DR LO SIU MING</i>	盧兆明醫生
<i>DR MOK TSE CHI, ARCHIE</i>	莫子慈醫生
<i>DR NG FAI NGO, CHERRY</i>	吳輝娥醫生
<i>DR SIU KIU LOK</i>	蕭僑樂醫生
<i>DR SO KING WOON, ALAN</i>	蘇景桓醫生
<i>DR TAI SHUK MUI</i>	戴淑梅醫生
<i>DR TANG PO MING</i>	鄧寶明醫生
<i>DR THONDUP, TANPA</i>	
<i>DR TING LAI YEE, DANNIE</i>	丁麗儀醫生
<i>DR TSO LUI MING</i>	曹磊明醫生
<i>DR WAI KEE HO, GREGORY</i>	韋基豪醫生
<i>DR WONG TAK WAI</i>	黃德偉醫生
<i>DR WU SHUN PING</i>	胡信平醫生
<i>DR YAM KA LING</i>	任嘉玲醫生
<i>DR YEUNG WAI LAN</i>	楊慧蘭醫生
<i>DR YIP PUI WAH, LESLEY</i>	葉佩華醫生

**The following doctors were admitted as
Members of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians
on 29 November 1997**

<i>DR CHAU KIN WAI</i>	周建偉醫生	<i>DR POON KAM HA, LOUISA</i>	潘錦霞醫生
<i>DR CHEN HONG</i>	陳 虹醫生	<i>DR TAM KA HUNG</i>	譚嘉雄醫生
<i>DR CHENG WAI WAI</i>	鄭蕙蕙醫生	<i>DR TANG MAY LING</i>	鄧美寧醫生
<i>DR CHEUNG CHIU PING, JAMES</i>	張釗平醫生	<i>DR TONG TZE FUN</i>	湯子芬醫生
<i>DR CHIM, STELLA</i>	詹愷怡醫生	<i>DR WONG LAP MING</i>	黃立明醫生
<i>DR CHOY WING HO</i>	蔡榮豪醫生	<i>DR WONG MING SUM</i>	黃明沁醫生
<i>DR HUI HON LAM, STEPHEN</i>	許漢琳醫生	<i>DR WONG NAM, ESTHER</i>	黃 南醫生
<i>DR IP KIN SING</i>	葉健星醫生	<i>DR YAU YAT SUN</i>	游日新醫生
<i>DR KUN WAI MAN</i>	簡偉文醫生	<i>DR YUEN SO FUN</i>	阮素芬醫生
<i>DR LAU SHING CHI</i>	劉成志醫生		
<i>DR LI PO SIU</i>	李寶笑醫生		
<i>DR LEUNG YAM KEE</i>	梁蔭基醫生		

**The following doctors were admitted as
Associates of the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians
in 1996/97**

<i>DR CHAN LIK MAN</i>	陳力文醫生	<i>DR LO FUNG CHEUNG, AMY</i>	羅鳳翔醫生
<i>DR CHENG YAN WAH</i>	鄭恩華醫生	<i>DR LUI YING SHUN</i>	雷英訊醫生
<i>DR CHONG WAN YIP</i>	莊雲葉醫生	<i>DR SHIEH MUN</i>	謝 敏醫生
<i>DR CHOW PAK CHEONG</i>	周百昌醫生	<i>DR SIT SOU CHI</i>	薛守智醫生
<i>DR DOO, SYLVIA</i>	杜蘊瑜醫生	<i>DR TONG PAK CHIU</i>	湯伯朝醫生
<i>DR FUNG CHEUK WING</i>	馮卓穎醫生	<i>DR WAN, HELENE</i>	溫希蓮醫生
<i>DR KEMP, HELEN</i>		<i>DR WONG KWOK WAN, WENDY</i>	黃國雲醫生
<i>DR LI CHAK HO</i>	李澤荷醫生	<i>DR WONG SIU CHUN, MABEL</i>	黃小珍醫生