

REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE 50TH NATIONAL CONVENTION FROM STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN SENATOR JAMES TSUI

OBJECTIVES

- To review the recommendations from JCI Strategic Planning Committee.
- To hold the Strategic Planning Committee ("SPC") Forum involving Chapter Presidents and Past Presidents.
- To create recommendations and action steps, which aimed at securing the long-term success of our organization.

ASSIGNMENT & AREA REPORT

The 2015 SPC consists of the following members:-

Chairman: Senator James Tsui - 2006 National President,
Members: Senator Ellen Tsang - 2005 National President
Senator Clement Woo - 2007 National President,
Senator Eric Tang – 2008 National President
Senator Ken Wong – 2009 National President
Senator Timmy Lee MH – 2011 National President
Senator Anthony Leung - 2015 National President (Ex-officio)

Four committee meetings were held in 2 February, 28 March, 13 May and 20 July 2014 respectively. The SPC Forum was also held on 28 March, 2015.

The view of JCI Hong Kong as well as JC members on Political issues

As active citizen, members should be actively involved in various kinds of social affairs. And it is pleased to see that we are.

While we celebrated the 18th anniversary of the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region this year, implementing and still experiencing the principle of 'One Country, Two Systems', there were growing concern among members that many social issues are becoming more and more politicized. Based on members' discussion at the Forum, the Committee further discussed and would like to recommend the followings

- The memorandum of JCIHK stating that the Chamber shall refrain from any partisan political activity does not mean that we should refrain from all political or politically sensitive social issues in Hong Kong and the mainland.
- Politics do come into everybody's life in Hong Kong. Active citizen as many members in other JCI NOM countries do may participate in politically related activities. Members may be involved in political activity personally.
- JCIHK and LOM may organize events on politically related and other social issues as long as the activity is not partisan.
- JCIHK should provide specific training to LOM and members on organizing politically related activity to ensure that the activity is not partisan.



JCI is an international organization. Does JCIHK have the capacity to host any international event?

Members shall make use of the international platform that JCI provided in order to raise his/her horizon about the social or international issues from different corners of the world. Members are encouraged to attending international events, like ASPAC, World Congress, also the JCI UN Summit, etc. Therefore, apart from JCI Congress and Conference, JCI Hong Kong might organize other types of conferences or forums; and make use our JCI platform to invite the individual members among the ASPAC region as well as the world; and for in-depth discussion. However, JCI Hong Kong may organize different kinds of Forum which focus on social issues and common concerns. The regularity of the project is depended on the financial support and the impact of the project. The Hong Kong JC Foundation may be one of the financial source is to make sure the project can be run in specific period of time. However, if these issues are the government of the Hong Kong SAR concern, JCI Hong Kong may obtain the supports from the Hong Kong Government to organize the forum in the yearly basis.

The difference between JCI Hong Kong and other youth organization in Hong Kong, we have an international platform to connect those individual young people around the world to discuss about the social/international issues. Our JCI vision that to be leading global network of young active citizens. From the discussion, SPC found that our members are quite interested in international event organizing.

Apart from the JCI Conference and Congress, in Asia Pacific Region, JCI Senate did organize Senate Golf in March and we have a Candidate Training School for our region's Candidates (JCI EXCOM) in September. We may think about their feasibility, or make it happen in Hong Kong.

- **NOMs Forum**
Apart from the JCI events, JCI Hong Kong may initiate a business forum for issues which are widely concerned in the world; issues like UNMDGs, Economic and Financial Collaboration, Youth Employment and Ageing Community, etc., always happens around all developed area. We might make use of these kinds of topics to initiate a forum for Asian and Pacific Region.
- **Collaboration with Government/other NGOs**
In 2013, APEC happened in Jakarta, Indonesia. With the support of the Indonesia Government, JCI Indonesia organized an APEC youth forum which attached to the APEC as a "youth" version. This forum was fully supported by Indonesia government, since JCI is well known young organization with a global network. In 2016, European Conference will be happened in Ulaanbaatar. Similarly, JCI Mongolia has invited to be one of organization to assist the event. This shows JCI members always be known as a capable person with international perspective. Could JCI Hong Kong can liaise with the government see whether we can have a chance to organize this kind of projects as a co-organizer? Of course, these events really can rise up the individual members' horizon. These shall be encouraged if this event can provide training opportunities to our members. However, before JCI Hong Kong join hand with Government and other NGOs, we have to take up the leading role for project organization, as we have our unique training techniques through project organizing. Meanwhile, we have to consider whether these projects can benefit to our organization and our individual members growth up.

How can JCIHK members utilize Chamber Office more effectively?

- It were all agreed that the current Chamber Office has reached the maximum capacity for both meetings and events.
- The storage place can be separated to other lower rental area. Some suggestions to separate the storage area to those industrial building with lower rental value. To encourage efficient use of storage, charges could be applied on chapter's storage.
- It is recommended to set up branch Chamber Office in Kowloon or New Territories area if resources are available. Members who are living and working in different areas are easier to gather and have meetings at places convenient to them. Further suggestion is to have different function of offices who are located in Hong Kong Island, Kowloon and New Territories. For examples, office in Hong Kong Island with Grade A can be used for press conference, seminars and events; office in Kowloon with Grade B can be used for internal OC meetings, board meetings or members training; office in New Territories with lower rental value can be used as members' club house or for the purpose of storage.
- Chamber Office is also an image to the public and hence, resources can be focused on renting a grade A office for Press Conference, etc. which in turn, we can earn some rental for the renting out to chapters' functions and even to other NGOs.

- The Youth Square (located at the junction of Chai Wan Road and Wan Tsui Road in Chai Wan) has been built up for the purpose of making a landmark for all youth organizations in Hong Kong, which has been actively promoted by Home Affairs Bureau (HAB) for such purpose. The SPC has noticed the recent development of Youth Square with the organization of government youth activities, it is recommended that JCIHK should consider to rent an office in Youth Square for the better communication and support with the government, HAB and other youth organizations, both locally and internationally.

Review on Ten Outstanding Young Persons Selection

The Ten Outstanding Young Persons Selection is no doubt one of the most if not the most well-known JCIHK projects in Hong Kong.

The Committee had submitted recommendation to the National Board for consideration to set up a working committee, based on our rich selection experience, to study, review and recommend a framework of selection procedures including but not limited to the setting of categories, nomination procedures, screening and judging criteria, interview and results announcement management.

It is understood that the National Board had adopted the recommendation and it is in the process of forming such working committee.

CONCLUSION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

It is my great honor to serve JCI Hong Kong as 2015 Strategic Planning Committee Chairman this year. Taking this opportunity, I would like to express my sincerest thanks to all SPC Members PNP Senator Ellen Tsang, PNP Senator Clement Woo, PNP Senator Eric Tang, PNP Senator Ken Wong, PNP Senator Timmy Lee MH as well as National President Senator Anthony Leung for their valuable time and efforts. The above recommendations are designed in the long-term interest of our beloved organizations. We look forward to the early implementation of these recommendations that they would benefit our members and our organizations in the long run.

James Tsui

Strategic Planning Committee Chairman