

Annual Report 2006

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LSHK members in the AGM of 2005, elected its exe com members for 2006-2007. The elected held its first exe com meeting on 10 December 2005 soon after the AGM. The following was agreed among them:

Colleen Wong, President
Foong Ha Yap, Vice President
Benjamin Au Yeung, Secretary
Sun Jingtao, Treasurer
Vicky Man, Communications Officer
Alex Chengyu Fang, Website co-ordinator
Caesar Lun Suen, Member-at-large

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The exe com in its first year of office had held seven meetings.

(3) LSHK Publications

- a. 'Studies in Cantonese Linguistics 2' edited by Sze-wing Tang and Joanna Ut-seong Sio, is in press and is expected to come out early next year.
- b. Yap Foong Ha and Caesar Lun Suen have been planning a theoretical publication. They are in the process of soliciting a few more articles.
- c. Selected papers from ARF 2006
- d. Books on languages

(4) Activities

- a. Caesar Lun organized a linguistic saloon in March. Prof. Ruqaiya Hasan on Urdu.
- b. Benjamin Au Yeung was the LSHK organizer of the Fifth Workshop on Cantonese (WOC-5). WOC-5 was held at the Chinese University of Hong Kong on April 29. The theme of the Workshop was: "Sociolinguistic Perspectives on Recent Changes in Cantonese". There were eight presentations and a discussion session hosted by Professor Sam Cheung Hung Nin and Professor Benjamin T'sou. Professor Zhang Shuang Qing of the Chinese Department of CUHK has agreed to publish selected papers from WOC-5 in *Chinese Language Studies* 《中國語文研究》 published by the Institute of Chinese Studies of The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- c. Yap Foong Ha is organizing for the Department of Linguistics & Modern Languages, CUHK with LSHK co-sponsoring, a special Workshop on Nominalizers and Copulas in East Asian and Neighboring Languages from January 8-12, 2007. The workshop explores the intimate relationship between nominalizers and copulas in a number of languages, and discusses issues such

as 'Nominalization With and Without Copulas'. Additional themes in the workshop include the relationship between nominalization and stance marking (or speaker mood). Workshop discussions will also focus on typological and formal syntactic approaches to account for grammaticalization phenomena.

(5) Communication

- a. The Communication Officer, Vicky Man, takes up the duty of forwarding conference / seminar news received from LSHK members or departmental reps from various institutions in ordinary times. She is the main channel to dispatch LSHK activity news.
- b. Webmaster Alex Fang uploads notices and emails onto the LSHK news.

(6) LSHK's 20th Anniversary and ARF is being held on 2-3 December. The English Department of the Hong Kong Polytechnic is the co-sponsor.

Colleen Wong
President

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