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## Activities Report 2005 - MBS Alumni Association Hong Kong

2005 is remarkable year of MBS Alumni Association (Hong Kong) ("MBSAAHK"). Over a year of hard work by the Preparation Committee, MBSAAHK is formally registered as a non-profit corporation on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2005. The first election of board members was then launched. Ten alumni were elected as the key members of the Board and their inauguration was held in the Members' General Meeting in September.

The First Alumni Dinner and Members' General Meeting was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2005 at The World Trade Centre Club, Hong Kong. We had the great honor to have Professor Jikeong Kang, Director of Full time MBA Programme of MBS and Mr. Nigel Banister, CEO of MBSW to share such great moment with us. The hundred participants all came from the MBS family and covered both full time and distance learning programmes, and even friends from UOM. Previous precious moments were shared in the film show produced by Annual Dinner Working Group. The overwhelming responses from the sponsors made every guest won a prize. It was a memorable event for everyone involved.

In the Annual Dinner, we reiterate our objectives as bellows:

- Provide networking opportunities,
- provide opportunities for advancement in management knowledge,
- Offer assistance in career development,
- Increase awareness of MBS and MBSAA in Hong Kong and China,
- Contribute to the public community of Hong Kong
- Further build and develop MBSAAHK.

To persevere our objectives in serving our members, we organized different activities to our alumni during the year 2005. They included:

- academic and practical seminars for enhancing members' knowledge and expertise,
- networking activities within the alumni and extend to friends in other local universities, such as networking drinks in Hong Kong, Shanghai and Beijing and joint universities team building training.
- career development seminars, included first career management seminar by Ms Clare Hudson, Career Management Director of MBS
- charity walk for donation to the needed,
- experience sharing sessions by distinguished alumni for students.

Besides the alumni activities, we also involved in events of the school, such as MBA Tour and Induction sessions for new students. We hope that by the presence of the alumni to increase the publicity of MBS in the region.

MBSAAHK starts its way already. To continue the accomplishment of our objectives, we need the support from our alumni family.

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