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# China New Higher Education Group Limited 中國新高教集團有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock code: 2001)

## NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the annual general meeting of China New Higher Education Group Limited (the "Company") will be held at Level 35, Two Pacific Place, No. 88 Queensway, Admiralty, Hong Kong at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, 24 February 2023 to consider and, if thought fit, transact the following ordinary resolutions:

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS**

- 1. to approve the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries and the reports of the directors (the "**Directors**") of the Company and the auditors of the Company for the year ended 31 August 2022;
- 2. to declare a final dividend of RMB0.093 per share of the Company for the year ended 31 August 2022;
- 3. to re-elect Mr. Li Xiaoxuan as an executive Director of the Company;
- 4. to re-elect Mr. Hu Jianbo as an independent non-executive Director of the Company;
- 5. to re-elect Dr. Pang Tsz Kit Peter as an independent non-executive Director of the Company;
- 6. to authorise the Board to fix the remuneration of the Company's Directors; and
- 7. to re-appoint Ernst & Young as the Company's auditor and to authorise the Board to fix their remuneration;

and, as additional ordinary business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions (with or without modification);

### 8. "THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below, pursuant to The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"), the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as defined in paragraph (d) below) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with the unissued shares (each, a "Share") of US\$0.0001 each in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements or options, including warrants to subscribe for Shares, which might require the exercise of such powers be and the same is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above shall authorise the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements or options which might require the exercise of the aforesaid powers after the expiry of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted and issued or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted and issued (whether pursuant to options and otherwise) by the Directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (1) a Rights Issue (as defined in paragraph (d) below); or (2) the exercise of any options granted under all share option schemes of the Company adopted from time to time in accordance with the Listing Rules; or (3) any scrip dividend or similar arrangements providing for the allotment and issue of Shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on Shares in accordance with the articles of association of the Company in force from time to time; or (4) any issue of Shares upon the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any warrants of the Company or any securities which are convertible into Shares, shall not exceed the aggregate of:
  - (i) 20%, of the aggregate nominal value of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of the passing of this resolution; and
  - (ii) (if the Directors of the Company are so authorised by a separate ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company) the aggregate nominal value of any share capital of the Company bought back by the Company subsequent to the passing of this resolution (up to a maximum equivalent to 10%, of the aggregate nominal value of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of the passing of this resolution), and the authority pursuant to paragraph (a) of this resolution shall be limited accordingly; and
- (d) for the purposes of this resolution:
  - "Relevant Period" means the period from the date of the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:
  - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
  - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company or the applicable laws of the Cayman Islands to be held; or

(iii) the passing of an ordinary resolution by the shareholders of the Company in general meeting revoking or varying the authority given to the Directors of the Company by this resolution.

"Rights Issue" means an offer of Shares, or offer or issue of warrants, options or other securities giving rights to subscribe for Shares open for a period fixed by the Directors of the Company to holders of Shares on the Company's register of members on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of Shares (subject to such exclusion or other arrangements as the Directors of the Company may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements, or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of, or the expense or delay which may be involved in determining the existence or extent of any restrictions or obligations under the laws of; or the requirements of, any jurisdiction outside Hong Kong or any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange outside Hong Kong)."

## 9. "THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as defined in paragraph (c) below) of all the powers of the Company to buy back (or agree to buy back) shares (each, a "Share") of US\$0.0001 each in the capital of the Company on the Stock Exchange, or any other stock exchange on which the Shares may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange for such purpose, and otherwise in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong, the Stock Exchange, the Companies Law, Cap 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands and all other applicable laws in this regard, be and the same is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of Shares which may be bought back or agreed to be bought back by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) during the Relevant Period shall not exceed 10%, of the aggregate nominal value of the share capital of the Company as at the date of the passing of this resolution and the authority pursuant to paragraph (a) of this resolution shall be limited accordingly; and
- (c) for the purposes of this resolution, "**Relevant Period**" means the period from the date of the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:
  - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
  - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company or the applicable laws of the Cayman Islands to be held; or
  - (iii) the passing of an ordinary resolution by the shareholders of the Company in general meeting revoking or varying the authority given to the Directors of the Company by this resolution."

10. "THAT conditional on the passing of resolutions numbered 8 and 9 above, the general mandate granted to the Directors of the Company pursuant to paragraph (a) of resolution numbered 8 above be and it is hereby extended by the addition to the aggregate nominal value of the shares which may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the Directors of the Company in accordance with such general mandate of an amount representing the aggregate nominal value of the share capital of the Company bought back or agreed to be bought back by the Company pursuant to or in accordance with the authority granted under paragraph (a) of resolution numbered 9 above."

and, as special business, to consider, and if thought fit, pass the following resolution as a special resolution:

11. "THAT the articles of association of the Company be amended in the manner as set out in the circular of the Company dated 29 December 2022 (the "Circular"); and the second amended and restated articles of association of the Company (the "Amended Articles of Association") in the form produced to the meeting, a copy of which has been produced to the meeting marked "A" and for identification purpose signed by the Chairman of the meeting, which consolidates all the proposed amendments mentioned in the Circular, be and is hereby approved and adopted in substitution for and to the exclusion of the existing articles of association of the Company with immediate effect after the close of the meeting and that the Directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to do all things necessary to implement the adoption of the Amended Articles of Association."

By Order of the Board

China New Higher Education Group Limited

Li Xiaoxuan

Chairman

Hong Kong, 29 December 2022

As at the date of this notice, the executive Directors are Mr. Li Xiaoxuan, Mr. Zhao Shuai and Ms. Shen Chunmei, and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Kwong Wai Sun Wilson, Mr. Hu Jianbo, Mr. Chan Tung Hoi and Dr. Pang Tsz Kit Peter.

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#### Notes:

- 1. Any member entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting is entitled to appoint one or, if he is the holder of two or more shares, more proxies to attend and, on a poll, vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. In order to be valid, a form of proxy together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy thereof, must be deposited at the offices of the Company's Hong Kong share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event not later than 48 hours before the commencement of the above meeting or any adjournment thereof.
- 3. For determining the entitlement to attend and vote at the annual general meeting to be held on Friday, 24 February 2023, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, 21 February 2023 to Friday, 24 February 2023, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of Shares will be registered. In order to be qualified for attending and voting at the annual general meeting, all transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong for registration not later than Monday, 20 February 2023.

For determining the entitlement to the final dividend, the register of members of the Company will be closed by the Group from Friday, 3 March 2023 to Tuesday, 7 March 2023, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares of the Company will be effected. In order to be qualified for the final dividend, all share transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Group's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, 2 March 2023.

- 4. In relation to proposed resolutions numbered 8 and 10 above, approval is being sought from the shareholders for the grant to the directors of a general mandate to authorise the allotment and issue of shares under the Listing Rules. The directors have no immediate plans to issue any new shares of the Company.
- 5. In relation to proposed resolution numbered 9 above, the directors wish to state that they will exercise the powers conferred thereby to purchase shares of the Company in circumstances which they deem appropriate for the benefit of the shareholders of the Company. An explanatory statement containing the information necessary to enable the shareholders of the Company to make an informed decision to vote on the proposed resolution as required by the Listing Rules is set out in the Appendix I in the circular of which this notice of the annual general meeting forms part.
- 6. In the case of joint holders of a share, either in person or by proxy, in respect of such share as if he/she were solely entitled thereto, but if more than one of such joint holders be present at any meeting the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders, and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members of the Company in respect of the joint holding.
- 7. Delivery of an instrument appointing a proxy shall not preclude a shareholder from attending and voting in person at the meeting convened and in such event, the instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.