

FKASA ALUMNI COMMITTEE LAUNCHED

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Malaysia
Pahang's
(U M P)
Faculty of
Civil Engineering & Earth

Resources (FKASA) held a hi-tea gathering at The Legend Hotel in Kuala Lumpur on April 2, 2011, to commemorate the official launch of the faculty's alumni membership drive committee.

Organized in collaboration with the Department of Students' Affairs & Alumni (Saffad), the event was officiated by Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic & International), Professor Dr Badhrulhisham Abdul Aziz.

In his address, Professor Dr Badhrulhisham said the founding of such committee deserved a pat on the back as it showed the tenacity of the faculty to drive memberships for the university's alumni associations.

“This faculty-specific alumni will certainly prove beneficial for UMP,

in general, and FKASA, in particular,” he said, adding that it was also hoped that the membership drive will facilitate a more systematic compilation of alumni's database as well as foster stronger ties among the university graduates.

Professor Dr Badhrulhisham expressed his wishes to see FKASA alumni to be able to continue to forge good relationships with the university as well as with the industries, as demonstrated by other alumnus abroad, quoting universities in Japan as an example.

“The concept is easy to comprehend and achieve, especially when we have alumni members working in various industries. They should act as the catalyst for future university-industry partnerships,” he added.

Professor Dr Badhrulhisham also took to the podium to highlight UMP's proud achievements of producing high quality graduates, claiming its rightful place to be on par with other more established public

institutions of higher learning in the country.

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“Alumni members are literally the university's ambassadors to the community at large. They play pivotal roles in our efforts to make UMP the technical university of choice,” he emphasized.

Among the notable top management team at the event were Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Students' Affairs & Alumni), Professor Dr Yuserrie Zainuddin; Director of Postgraduate Studies, Datin Professor Dr Nasly Mohamed Ali; FKASA Deputy Dean, Noram Irwan Ramli; and Saffad Deputy Registrar, Abdul Shukur Ishak.

The FKASA alumni committee is the second after the establishment of the first for the Faculty of Chemical Engineering & Natural Resources Engineering last year.