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KHIR TOYO RETAINS MALAYSIAN YOUTH COUNCIL PRESIDENCY

SHAH ALAM, Aug 1 (Bernama) -- Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Dr Mohamed Khir Toyo has retained the presidency of the Malaysian Youth Council (MYC) at the movement's working committee election for the 2004-2005 session.

Other incumbents who were returned unopposed included the deputy president, vice president, secretary-general and honorary secretary.

The election was held in conjunction with MYC's 54th annual general meeting that ended today and was attended by 360 delegates from 40 national and state youth associations.

MYC secretary-general Norizan Sharif described Dr Mohamed Khir's re-election as recognition of his leadership of the youth movement.

Dr Mohamed Khir himself has proposed the creation of two additional vice-president posts, one for a woman youth leader, the other to be rotated between a Sabah or Sarawak representative.

The move, he said, would recognise women's huge contribution to society as well as to promote integration between youths in Peninsular and East Malaysia.

He said women formed about 50 per cent of MYC's total membership of three million, yet hold very few posts in associations nationwide.

The proposal, which would need a change in MYC's constitution, would be tabled at next year's AGM if it is accepted by the executive council, he added.

Dr Mohamad Khir also said the MYC planned to hold a colloquium with former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad as guest speaker.

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