

CDC Committee on Science Education (2011-2012)
Gist of Second Meeting (27 June 2012)

1. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed without any amendments.
2. Matters arising from the last meeting
 - The arrangement for laboratory technicians (LTs) provision under the NAS was reported. The provision of LTs would be frozen at the level of the 2008/09 school year for the period from the 2012/13 to 2015/16 school
3. The progress of the Science Education KLA Survey and the preliminary analysis of the survey results were reported and discussed.
4. The support measures provided for schools to facilitate the implementation of Science (S1-3) and NSS science curricula were reported. Members were also updated on the development of e-textbooks with the E-Textbook Market Development Scheme (EMADS) and Partner Schools Scheme
5. The progress of holistic curriculum development in the Science Education KLA in the 2011/12 school year, and the review of the documents related to laboratory safety and management were reported.
6. The activities and competitions organised by the Science Education Section for enhancing students' creativity and interest in science were reported. A series of four video programmes on local scientists was being produced which aimed at introducing to students the significant contributions of these scientists.
7. Members were updated on the marking and grading procedures of the HKDSE. Members were also informed that 24 Subject Committees were set up by the HKEAA in order to advise on the implementation of the HKDSE examination.
8. Professional development programmes held and the learning and teaching resources produced from March to August 2012 were reported.