First meeting of CDC Committee on Science Education (2001-2002) (29 October 2001)

Major decisions

- Mr. TSE Pak-hoi, Isaac was re-elected Chairman of the CDC Committee on Science Education for the year 2001-2002.
- The minutes of the fifth meeting (2000-2001) were confirmed without amendments.
- The meeting agreed on the major tasks ahead and the proposed work schedule.
- Members agreed on the appointment of Mr. MAK Chiu of Wa Ying College and Dr. NG Tai-kai of Department of Physics, Hong Kong University of Science & Technology, as co-opt members for the period 1 September 2001 to 31 August 2002.
- After lengthy discussion on the amount of content, on assessment and on quality criteria, the proposed Curriculum Guides of S4-5 Biology, Chemistry and Physics were endorsed for the approval of CDC Standing Committee on Curriculum Development for S4-S7. The CDI officers had been entrusted with making minor adjustments on wordings or format based on the suggestions made and advice from language experts. The Curricula would be first taught in September 2003. The Curriculum Guides were to be issued to publishers for preparation of textbooks in late November 2001.
- The setting up of the Ad Hoc Committee on Revision of the English-Chinese Glossary of Terms Commonly Used in the Teaching of Biology in Secondary Schools was endorsed. The meeting also agreed to explore the necessity of setting up an ad hoc committee to update the existing Science Syllabus for S1-3 with recent development in science. CDCC members were invited to join in these Ad Hoc Committees.
- Date of next meeting: 19 December 2001 (Wed) p.m.