

**Gist of Minutes of the Twenty-seventh Meeting of
the CDC Committee on Technology Education (2005-2007)**

Date: 1 Nov 2007 (Thursday)

Time: 2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Venue: Room W421, 4/F., West Block, Education Bureau Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre, 19 Suffolk Road, Kowloon Tong, Hong Kong

- Mr Teddy TANG Chun-keung was elected as the Chairperson.
- In reviewing the interim progress of the Curriculum Reform, the development key features, including the short term, medium term and long term strategies for development of Technology Education were highlighted.
- Findings from Key learning Area survey (commissioned by CDI to tertiary institution) suggested that there was slightly less improvement in students' development of critical thinking skills and perseverance. Members considered that it would be necessary to enhance the capability of teachers in terms of quality learning and teaching in this regard.
- Members shared their observations that students in general showed better communication skills in oral reporting as it was a requirement in language subjects. Students also showed good IT skills and use of IT in lessons. It facilitated student learning and provided more time for teachers to hold discussions with students.
- It was a great concern that quite a number of schools did not follow the recommendation of the Basic Education Curriculum Guide to allocate sufficient TE curriculum time (minimum 8% of total curriculum time) for subjects in the Technology Education Key Learning Area.
- Members discussed the plans and strategies to promote Technology Education to different levels and stakeholders concerned (e.g. policy, school, teachers, students and parents).

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