Gist of Minutes of the Thirtieth Meeting of

the CDC Committee on Technology Education (2007-2009)

Date: 28 Nov 2008 (Friday)

Time: 2:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Venue: Room W420, 4/F., West Block, Education Bureau Kowloon Tong

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- Latest development about Standards Referenced Reporting (SRR), outline
 of the Information Package for New Senior Secondary (NSS) Technology
 Education (TE) related elective subjects, drafts of the level descriptors,
 School-based Assessments (SBA) implementation schedule and handbook,
 proposed mark submission schedule as well as general policies for repeater
 and transfer candidates under NSS were reported. Members were invited
 to provide their views.
- Some Members raised the concern about the proposed schedule for submission of SBA marks.
- Some Members suggested that flexibility could be given to students or schools to decide the sequence and schedule of submission. The Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority was only required to state the final period / date for all submissions. Another Member suggested that some SBA tasks could be carried out at Secondary 5 in order not to overload students' work at Secondary 6.
- A Member suggested that all critical stages of SBA tasks should be carried out during lesson time in schools to ensure the fairness.
- A Member considered that the students' performances in the practical task in SBA might not be directly correlated to their performances in written examination. It was desirable to have separate report on the practical performance of students.
- It was remarked that under the proposed SRR, the level of attainment in each NSS subject would be the same irrespective of students' performances in SBA and the written examination. Teachers could place more emphases on nurturing high order thinking skills among students to enhance their quality of learning of TE related elective subjects.
- Members were informed that an Education Television programme on NSS Health Management and Social Care under the Education Magazine Series
 Programme No.35 「從 HMSC 出發」 would be uploaded to the Hong Kong Education City Website in due course.