

**Gist of Minutes of the Thirty-second Meeting of
the CDC Committee on Technology Education (2009-2011)**

Date: 18 Nov 2009 (Wednesday)
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 TANG Chun-keung, Teddy was elected as the Chairperson of the Committee for the term of service from Nov 2009 to Aug 2011.
- Members were briefed on the terms of references, roles and functions, meeting and working procedures of the Curriculum Development Council Committee on Technology Education. The importance and necessity of declaration of interest by Members were also highlighted.
- The key features of the education reform and latest development and implementation issues of the Technology Education Key Learning Area (TEKLA) were highlighted as background for Members' information. These include: (i) the related official documents of the curriculum reform, (ii) the seven learning goals, (iii) the short term, medium term, and long term strategies; and modes for development of Technology Education at junior secondary level, (iv) related TEKLA elective subjects developed under the New Senior Secondary (NSS) curriculum, (v) NSS web site, and (vi) CDI TEKLA web site.
- Discussion was made on the strategies for the development of Technology Education Key Learning Area (TEKLA) from 2009-2011. Members shared their views and observations regarding the implementation of TE in terms of curriculum time for junior secondary TE related subjects, student diversity, and support measures for new senior secondary subjects. Some Members considered that there was insufficient time allocated to TE related subjects at junior secondary level. Students' basic knowledge on computer varied greatly among Secondary One students. More choice of textbooks on the market would be desirable for NSS ICT.
- Members were informed that a tertiary institution had been commissioned to conduct a study to review the curriculum implementation of TEKLA at junior secondary level. Some preliminary findings were provided and more details would be brought up for discussion upon the completion of the study.
- Members endorsed all the proposed changes on the latest Chinese translations for "Drug Abuse" of related curriculum documents developed under TEKLA.
- Members were informed of the result of the Chief Executive's Award for Teaching Excellence 2008-2009 on TEKLA. Congratulations from the CDCC(TE) Committee were sent to the awardees Mr LEUNG Wai-yip, Mr TANG Chi-kong and St Bonaventure Catholic Primary School under the Principal leadership of Ms CHEUNG Wai-ching.
- Members were referred to the upcoming teacher professional development programme to be held on 17 December 2009 for TEKLA Coordinators as Mr LEUNG Wai-yip and Mr TANG Chi-kong and other awardees would be invited as guest speakers to share their good practices.