

**Gist of Minutes of the Thirty-ninth Meeting of
the CDC Committee on Technology Education (2011-2013)**

Date: 20 Feb 2012 (Monday)
Time: 2:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.
Venue: Rm W404, 4/F., West Block, Education Bureau Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre, 19 Suffolk Road, Kowloon Tong, Kowloon, Hong Kong.

1. Members were briefed on the latest arrangements of public assessments of Technology Education (TE) subjects in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE). A survey conducted by HKEAA in Nov 2011 was reported. A streamlining proposal on the School-based Assessment (SBA) was put forward to the Public Examinations Board and was approved in Feb 2012.
2. The full implementation of SBA of eleven deferred subjects (including: Business, Accounting and Financial Studies, Health Management and Social Care, Technology and Living) would be scheduled in 2016 in response to stakeholders' concern of workload on schools and teachers. Members considered that the streamlining proposal would help ease teachers concerned. The SBA arrangements would be further reviewed after the HKDSE examination in 2012.
3. The school curriculum in basic education level was discussed in the Curriculum Development Council in Feb 2012. A review would be conducted to make recommendations on future directions of school curriculum and how to further enhance the quality and effectiveness of student learning.
4. An Enriched TEKLA Curriculum Guide would be developed for implementation in 2013/14 school year. A draft was tabled and Members' comments were as follows:
 - Elaboration on mode of implementation with examples, degree of flexibility in curriculum contents as well as time allocation
 - A progression map to illustrate the depth of the curriculum of specific contexts
 - Elaboration of TE learning elements related to Moral and National Education
 - Elaboration on Technology Learning Activities
 - Comprehensive examples of implementation for teachers' reference
 - Administrative measures to provide more incentives for schools to offer subjects of TEKLA.A revised draft would be prepared for Members' further comments in due course.
5. The Hong Kong Institute of Engineers would organize a series of public lectures on "Technology for Quality Living" at the Science Museum in Feb / Mar 2012. The Primary Care Office of the Department of Health, EDB and the Hong Kong College of Family Physicians Members also co-organized a Themed Competition "Primary Care - Family Doctor as Your Health Partner" for schools in Feb 2012.