CDC-HKEAA Committee on English Language (2017–2019) Gist of the 1st Meeting

Date: 18 October 2017 (Wednesday)

Time: 3:30 - 5:00 pm

Venue: Rm W107, West Block, EDB Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre, 19 Suffolk

Road, Kowloon Tong

Gist of the meeting:

- The terms of office (i.e. September 2017-August 2019), roles and functions of the committee were explained to members and their attention was drawn to issues related to confidentiality and publicity, as well as conflict of interest.
- 2. A secret ballot election was conducted. Ms Mary YU of Cognitio College (Hong Kong) was elected the Chairperson of the Committee.
- 3. It was reported to the members that plans for the curriculum review mentioned in the 2017 Policy Address were underway.
- 4. Candidates' performance in the 2017 HKDSE Examination for English Language was discussed. The rationale behind adopting standards-referenced reporting was explained. Suggestions for improving the design of the writing paper were offered.
- 5. A range of support measures for the implementation of new initiatives in the English Language Education KLA Curriculum Guide (2017) were presented. Members' views on how to enhance the EDB's support measures, particularly the professional development programmes, were collected.