



Hong Kong Subsidized Secondary Schools Council

香 港 津 貼 中 學 議 會

General Meeting

On 1 June 2011

Chairman's Report

1. Work of Executive Committee (EC)

1.1 EC Meetings

The Executive Committee (EC) has held 7 meetings on 24 November 2010, 15 December 2010, 19 January 2011, 23 February 2011, 16 March 2011, 13 April 2011 and 18 May 2011 since the Annual General Meeting on 18 November 2010.

1.2 Survey on Educational Issues

1.2.1 In order to solicit the views of member schools on School Repairs and Maintenance, the EC conducted a survey by questionnaire in January 2011.

1.2.2 Survey questionnaire was sent to member schools on 21 January 2011 with responses from 220 members constituting a return rate of 63.22%. Members can refer to the Council webpage for the results and report of the survey.

1.3 Class Organization & Class Size

1.3.1 The EC is very much concerned about the decreasing trend of student enrolment in secondary schools. Hence, a meeting of the Class Organization & Staff Establishment Task Group was held on 11 January 2011 discussing the sustaining of a stabler ecology of education in Hong Kong, the class size and the review of staff establishment. The EC has arranged a meeting with Mrs. Cherry TSE LING Kit-ching, PSED on 26 January 2011 with issues related to class organization and class size as one of the agenda item; the EC expressed (1) our concerns on time schedule for review of staff establishment and (2) our suggestions on the reduction of class size from 34+2 in 2011 to 32+2 in 2013, 30+2 in 2014 and 28+2 in 2015.

1.3.2 Joint Committee of the chairpersons of the secondary school councils and the secondary school heads associations of 18 Districts was formed to discuss the impact of the severe drop in S1 enrolment, the class reduction in schools and the strategies to be adopted to prevent the closure of schools. Several meetings with Mrs. Betty IP, Deputy Secretary (Ed)3 were held from February to May 2011, discussing the issues related to the Enhanced Voluntary Optimisation of Class Structure Scheme.

1.3.3 Three meetings of the Joint Committee of the chairpersons of the secondary school councils and the secondary school heads associations of 18 Districts were held on 17 March 2011, 19 April 2011 and 24 May 2011. Three working groups were set up: (1) Review of Staff Establishment; (2) Review of Class Size; and (3) Review of School Operation Line.

1.4 New Senior Secondary Education (NSS)

1.4.1 As the smooth implementation of NSS is the main concern of all secondary schools, the EC discussed our concerns with Mrs. Cherry TSE LING Kit-ching, PSED in the meeting on 26 January 2011, covering issues related to support measures for teachers, exit points for students and communication between schools and universities.

1.4.2 A meeting with Dr. TONG Chong-sze, the designated Secretary General of HKEAA was held on 16 March 2011, discussing the partnership of HKEAA with secondary schools, the implementation of HKDSE, the problems in SBA (e.g. variations in school-based assessments were found in different subjects) and the professional development of setters, moderators and markers.

1.4.3 A meeting with the HKEAA and EDB officials was held on 27 April 2011, discussing the implementation problems of SBA in NSS Chinese Language.

1.5 School Administration

1.5.1 A meeting with Ms. Mabel CHAN, Deputy Secretary (Ed)2 was arranged by the EC on 22 December 2010, to express our concerns on the MOI Focus Inspection and the issues on S1 allocation after the Enhanced Measures on Optimisation of Class Structure.

1.5.2 A meeting with Mrs. Michelle WONG, Deputy Secretary (Ed)4 was arranged by the EC on 23 December 2010, to discuss the implementation of Integrated Education and the problems arisen due to the recent changes in the administration of school major repairs.

1.5.3 In the meeting with Mrs. Cherry TSE LING Kit-ching, PSED on 26 January 2011, the EC also requested for an overall review of government resources for school administration to cater for changes since year 2000.

1.5.4 A meeting with Ms. Mabel CHAN, Deputy Secretary (Ed)2 was arranged by the EC on 2 March 2011, to discuss measures of improvement related to school repairs & maintenance and the issues related to SSPA.

1.6 Other Issues

1.6.1 There were 265 school principals and teachers attending the seminar to be presented by Mr. Eddie NG Hak-kim, the Chairman of HKEAA, on 「考評新趨勢與人才培育」 on 19 January 2011.

1.6.2 Mr. CHU Kai-wing and Mr. LAU Chi-kuen attended the LegCo's Panel Meeting on Education on 11 April 2011. They presented a paper on the views of the EC on debundling of textbooks and teaching materials.

1.6.3 An article showing the stance of the EC against recent violent attacks with an intention to educate our students on the morals of democracy was prepared and published in the Ming Pao Daily News on 14 May 2011. Members can refer to the Council webpage for the article.

2. Documents sent to members / uploaded to HKSSSC Website

- 2.1 Results and report of the survey on School Repairs and Maintenance in January 2011 were uploaded to the HKSSSC website.
- 2.2 Newsletter No. 2 (2010-11) was sent to members and uploaded to the HKSSSC Website with contents on:
 - Annual General Meeting (2010/11)
 - Meeting with Mrs. Cherry TSE LING Kit-ching, PSED
 - School Repairs and Maintenance
 - School Administration
- 2.3 A CD ROM with the Members List (2010-2011) and the Council's leaflet were sent to members.
- 2.4 An article showing the stance of the EC against recent violent attacks with an intention to educate our students on the morals of democracy was uploaded to the HKSSSC website.

3. Meetings with EDB and other Educational or Related Bodies

- 3.1 19 November 2010: Consultation Session on School Drug
- 3.2 1 December 2010: 「教育界圓桌會議」, organized by Mr. TAI Hay-lap, with representatives from various educational bodies to exchange views on the current issues about education
- 3.3 6 December 2010: Education Commission Meeting, discussing the Aspirations for the Higher Education System in Hong Kong Report of the UCG, Pre-primary Education Voucher Scheme and introduction of the subject on Moral and National Education
- 3.4 7 December 2010: Principals' Liaison Meeting on 334, discussing the implementation of the HKDSE
- 3.5 13 December 2010: Meeting of Committee on Services for Youth at Risk
- 3.6 11 January 2011: 2011 HKEAA Annual Review Meeting and Reunion Dinner on matters related to HKDSE
- 3.7 13 January 2011: Moral & National Education Focus Group Meeting
- 3.8 19 January 2011: 「教育界圓桌會議」
- 3.9 28 January 2011: Szeto Wah Memorial Service
- 3.10 16 February 2011: Meeting with Mrs. Betty IP, DSEd(3), discussing the possible measures for those schools volunteered to reduce their S1 classes in the 2009/10 school year
- 3.11 16 February 2011: 「教育界圓桌會議」
- 3.12 21 February 2011: Education Commission Meeting, discussing on the implementation plan of the education hub in Hong Kong
- 3.13 22 February 2011: Banquet organized by Mrs. Betty Ip, Deputy Secretary for Education together with representatives from various school councils of primary and secondary schools to discuss various education issues
- 3.14 24 February 2011: Principals' Liaison Meeting on 334, discussing the implementation of the HKDSE
- 3.15 2 March 2011: Meeting of Advisory Committee on "P.A.T.H.S. to Adulthood: A Jockey Club Youth Enhancement Scheme"

- 3.16 17 March 2011: Meeting of Joint Committee of School Councils & associations of secondary school heads of 18 Districts
- 3.17 18 March 2011; Discussion Session on Teachers' Matters
- 3.18 30 March 2011: 「教育界圓桌會議」
- 3.19 14 April 2011: Meeting with Mrs. Betty IP, DSEd(3), discussing the related issues of the Voluntary Optimisation of Class Structure Scheme
- 3.20 19 April 2011: Meeting of Joint Committee of School Councils & associations of secondary school heads of 18 Districts
- 3.21 20 April 2011: Principals' Liaison Meeting on 334, discussing the implementation of the HKDSE
- 3.22 26 April 2011: Briefing Session on Sexual Conviction Record Check Mechanism for Child-related Work
- 3.23 5 May 2011: Education Commission Meeting, discussing the implementation of the New Academic Structure
- 3.24 11 May 2011: 「教育界圓桌會議」
- 3.25 12 May 2011: Meeting with Mrs. Betty IP, DSEd(3), discussing the related issues of the Voluntary Optimisation of Class Structure Scheme
- 3.26 24 May 2011: Meeting of Joint Committee of School Councils & associations of secondary school heads of 18 Districts
- 3.27 25 May 2011: Annual Meeting of I.T. Seeds/E-leader/Technical Support Services Officer (TSSO) Projects organized by Labour Department, seeking the support of the Council on these campus projects
- 3.28 31 May 2011: Meeting with Mr. Michael SUEN Ming-yeung, the Secretary for Education, together with representatives from various school councils of primary and secondary schools, discussing the issue on debundling of textbooks and teaching materials

4. HKSSSC has agreed to co-organize or to serve as supporting organization of the following activities:

- 4.1 Salute to Teachers 2011 organized by Committee on Respect Our Teachers Campaign with Ms. Halina POON Suk-han representing HKSSSC on the organizing committee
- 4.2 2010/11 Award Scheme of Yan Chai Hospital Moral & Civic Education Fund organized by Yan Chai Hospital with Mr. LIU Ah-chuen to serve in the final adjudication panel
- 4.3 Arts Ambassador-in-school Programme organized by Hong Kong Arts Development Council
- 4.4 AFV Online Quiz Program – Eye Care Knowledge for Students 2011 organized by Action for Vision
- 4.5 「基本法與國情探究計劃」 organized by Joint Committee for The Promotion of The Basic Law of Hong Kong
- 4.6 「2010/2011 中國中學生作文大賽」 organized by Hong Kong Institute for Promotion of Chinese Culture (香港中華文化促進中心) with Ms. Kelly CHENG Ka-lee representing HKSSSC on the organizing committee
- 4.7 Energy Innovation Project Competition organized by Hong Kong Institution of Engineers

- with Mr. James LAM Yat-fung to serve in the Judging Panel
- 4.8 「第三屆數碼教學資源獎勵計劃」 organized by Hong Kong Education City with Mr. LIU Ah-chuen to serve in the final adjudication panel
- 4.9 Learning & Teaching Expo 2011 organized by the Hong Kong Education City
- 4.10 「2011 香港青年協會黃寬洋青少年進修獎勵計劃」organized by Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups with Mr. LIU Ah-chuen to serve in the final selection panel
- 4.11 「ITeen 記者計劃」 organized by ICAC with Mr. LIU Ah-chuen representing HKSSSC on the organizing committee

5. HKSSSC representatives in various Educational Bodies

Institute / Committee	Representative
Advisory Committee on Anti-drug Measures in School Setting under the Task Force on Youth Drug Abuse	Ms Shirley WONG She-lai
Advisory Committee on "P.A.T.H.S. to Adulthood: A Jockey Club Youth Enhancement Scheme"	Mr. LIU Ah-chuen
Advisory Committee on the Education Development Fund	Ms Halina POON Suk-han
China Light & Power Education Fund Advisory Committee	Mr. LIU Ah-chuen
Committee on Respect Our Teachers Campaign	Ms Halina POON Suk-han
Committee on Services for Youth at Risk	Mr. LIU Ah-chuen
Committee on Special Needs Candidates of HKEAA	Mr. Tyrone CHOY Ko-leung
Committee of the School-based After-school Learning & Support Programme	Ms Kelly CHENG Ka-lee
Community Sports Committee	Mr. LIU Ah-chuen
CUHK Careers Advisory Board	Mr. LIU Ah-chuen
Education Commission	Mr. LIU Ah-chuen
Elder Academy Development Foundation	Mr. LIU Ah-chuen
HKedCity eLearning Advisory Council	Mr. AU YEUNG Ka-keung
HKEAA Advisory Group on Examination Administration System of the HKDSE	Mr. James LAM Yat-fung
HKEAA Advisory Group on SBA Implementation in the HKDSE	Ms Shirley WONG She-lai
Hong Kong Student Sports Awards Committee	Ms Halina POON Suk-han
HKU Careers Advisory Board	Mr. Joseph YUEN Tze-lam
HKU Court	Mr. LIU Ah-chuen Mr. James LAM Yat-fung Ms Shirley WONG She-lai
HKU Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine Curriculum Development Committee	Mr. Joseph YUEN Tze-lam
Hong Kong Teachers' Centre	Ms Kelly CHENG Ka-lee
JSEA Advisory Committee	Mr. LO Sai-kwong
Principals' Liaison Meeting on 334	Mr. LIU Ah-chuen
Regional Advisory Committee on the PISA 2012	Ms Halina POON Suk-han
School Net Review Working Group	Mr. LIU Ah-chuen
Special School Education Working Group	Mr. Tyrone CHOY Ko-leung
SSPA Advisory Committee	Mr. CHUNG Chiang-hon
Steering Committee on Prevention & Control of Non-communicable Diseases, Food & Health Bureau	Mr. LIU Ah-chuen
Steering Committee on Uniformed Group Enhancement Scheme	Ms Kelly CHENG Ka-lee

Subsidized Schools Provident Fund Board of Control	Mr. Joseph YUEN Tze-lam (Chairman) Mr. LIU Ah-chuen Mr. KWOK Man-leung Mr. AU YEUNG Ka-keung
Subsidized Schools Provident Fund Investment Subcommittee	Mr. KWOK Man-leung (Chairman) Mr. LIU Ah-chuen Mr. Joseph YUEN Tze-lam Mr. AU YEUNG Ka-keung
Task Group on Special Examination Arrangements for Candidates with Specific Learning Disabilities of HKEAA	Mr. Tyrone CHOY Ko-leung
Vocational Education & Training Advisory Committee	Mr. AU YEUNG Ka-keung
檢討小六考核安排專責工作小組	Mr. James LAM Yat-fung
「薪火相傳：國民教育活動系列資助計劃」評審委員會	Mr. LIU Ah-chuen

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樹立楷模培養民主人格

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建立民主社會，是我們的共同訴求。香港由殖民地年代步進一國兩制，要實踐《基本法》所描繪的「高度自治」理想，除了發展政治體制，培養人民素質也是極重要的一環。作為教育工作者，我們非常關注有關民主素養的議題。

公民參與議事，須對社會事務有深入認知，且有成熟的分析和協調等能力，此外，不少學者均指出，民主公民須具備某些民主人格特質，此等特質包括：

- 一、尊重事實：在形成自己觀點和立場時，尊重客觀事實真相；
- 二、尊重理據：願意解釋自己的觀點和行動，面對新的理據時，願意改變原先立場；
- 三、理性批判：具存疑精神，對每項事物均存有合乎理智的批判態度；
- 四、兼聽包容：在表達意見時，仍尊重他人的立場和發言的權利，容忍他人持有與自己不同見解和價值觀；
- 五、願意協調：願意尋求共識，在不違反原則的情況下，願意在具體細節上讓

步，以協調的方法解決分歧；
六、博愛相扶：關愛他人，願意彼此守望相助；

七、道德勇氣：為了捍衛真理，敢於在壓力下去奮鬥。

按以上歸納的民主人格特質，我們不得不在此作出一些評論及呼籲，期望香港社會有更佳土壤發展優秀民風，為我們的下一代樹立楷模，令民主能夠真正植根於香港。

表達政見要冷靜克制

近年，一些政治人物和示威者在表達意見時，會以鹵莽的態度、粗暴的言行來攻擊和挑釁對方。他們的肢體暴力可能對他人身體構成傷害，而他們的語言暴力亦令香港的議政場所充斥着各種帶有侮辱性、歧視性和人身攻擊的穢言。倘上述的粗暴言行，乃出於一時衝動，我們深切地期望，政治領袖和市民大眾在表達政見訴求時應力求冷靜克制，因為學懂以理服人、寬容有度，是建立民主社會的重要條件。若有關行為屬早有預謀、嘩眾取寵之舉，我們有需要嚴正地指出，此等行為，完全不具上述民主人格應有的要素，非民主社會應有的表達方式。

可能有人認為，以暴力的方式去表達訴求，更能捕捉傳媒的鏡頭、大眾的關注。然而，我們深信絕大部分的香港市民都熱愛和平，尊重理性討論。在香港這個資訊流通的地區，不使用暴力，意見表達者依然有很多其他方法引起公眾關注。堅持以和平非暴力的手法去抗爭的示威者，更值得我們欣賞。

至於身負市民重托的政府官員，更需要具備民主人格的特質，尊重真相、尊重理據、兼視兼聽、克己容人。能夠體察民情、開明進取、高瞻遠矚且積極務實的政府官員，不但幫助香港改善民生，更向年輕一代示範領袖應有的素質。

我們期望香港邁向民主，且能維持固有的優良傳統，雖百萬人上街遊行，仍能井然有序，贏得國際社會的尊重。我們樂意以積極態度回應社會的轉變，盡力教導學生掌握議事所需的知識與技能，並且引導學生塑造民主人格。我們期望香港市民，尤其是香港的社會領袖，包括議員、官員、論政團體領袖等，都能與我們教育界一同努力，以身作則地展示民主公民應有的素質，為我們的下一代樹立典範，為社會、為國家，培養具備民主素養的未來主人翁。