

**Notes of the Second Meeting of
Curriculum Development Council Committee on Gifted Education (2006 – 2007)**

Date: 11 January 2007
Time: 2:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Venue: Rm E302, 3/F, East Block, Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre
Notes:

1. To welcome new co-opted members

The Vice Chairman extended his warm welcome to the new co-opted members.

2. To confirm the minutes of the last meeting and matters arising

- 2.1 The minutes of the 1st meeting was confirmed without any amendments.
- 2.2 Referring to the item 4.2 of last minutes, Chairman remarked that meeting with the chairpersons of the 3 ad hoc committees was being planned but not materialised.
- 2.3 Referring to item 6 of the last minutes, the Vice Chairman reported that the proposal of activating the remaining balance of HK\$2M of the FHC Trust Fund in sponsoring the study tour of teachers was turned down.

3. To report on the progress of the 3 ad hoc committees

3.1 *The Ad Hoc Committee on Community Participation*

Referring to the item 4.2 of the last minutes, Mr. WONG Chung-po reported that the committee would not develop a brochure exclusively for the business sector, instead, a folder with information sheets for schools, teachers, parents or the business sector would be developed to allow flexible use of the resource.

3.2 *The Ad Hoc Committee on the development of Acceleration guideline in GE*

The secretary of the ad hoc committee reported that the guidelines on local acceleration practice was expected to be ready for school's reference in the academic year of 2008.

3.3 *The Ad Hoc Committee on Development of Identification Booklet, Parent Pamphlet and Parent Education*

The Secretary of the ad hoc committee presented the 7th draft of the parent pamphlet for members' comments.

Some comments were made on the presented parent pamphlet for members considerations:

- (i) A more layman version reducing jargons to a minimum was preferable.
- (ii) Based on the contents, converting the pamphlet into topic-based leaflets was highly recommend.
- (iii) The suggestion for launching a web-based version was widely supported.

4. To report the progress of the set up of the Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education

- 4.1 The Vice Chairman briefed the progress of the set up of the Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education, including clarification on the institutional framework, the target clients being served, identification mechanism and financial arrangements.

5. To report on the latest development of the programmes at all levels

- 5.1 The Section reported the latest development of the programmes at all levels with reference to the tabled report of "The latest development of school-based team of GE section" and "The provision of off-site support (Level 3)".

6. Any other business

- 6.1 SCDO(GE)2 sought advice on the possible alternatives of running the Enrichment Programme from the members.
- 6.2 Following were some initial ideas from members:
 - (i) The variety of the programme was narrower than years ago, it was time to review and modify.
 - (ii) The course on web-based mode should be selective as not all kinds of course were applicable.
- 6.3 The Chairman initiated to defer the discussion in the next meeting so that members could have more thought over the issue.