

CDC-HKEAA Committee on Biology (2015-2017)
Gist of 2nd Meeting

Date of meeting: 6 July 2016

Agenda Items:

1. To brief on the progress of the promotion of STEM education.
2. To report the progress of review of Junior Secondary Science Curriculum and the updating of Science Education KLA guide.
3. To report the professional development programmes on Biology held in the year 2015/2016.
4. To discuss the direction for the development of resources for the learning, teaching and assessment of biology.

Gist:

1. Some major events for promoting STEM education were reported. The consultation on promotion of STEM education was ended and a report was being prepared to summarise the feedback collected from different stakeholders during the consultation period and to delineate the actions for promoting STEM Education in Hong Kong. The report would be available in the 2016/17 school year.
2. The Science Education KLA Curriculum Guide was being updated and would be available in the 2016/17 school year.
3. The provisional final draft of the updated Science (S1-3) Curriculum Framework was available in June 2016. Two briefing seminars on the updated Science (S1-3) curriculum were held in June 2016 to introduce the details of the curriculum framework of the updated Science (S1-3) curriculum; and collect further views and suggestions from participants on the updated curriculum.
4. EIGHT different professional development programmes for Biology and Combined Science (Biology) teachers held in the 2015/2016 school year were briefly introduced and participants' general feedback was briefly reported.
5. The direction for the development of resources for the learning, teaching and assessment of Biology and Combined Science (Biology) was discussed. Members opined that training or learning and teaching resources on some hands-on practical skills and e-learning would be desirable.

Date of the next meeting: Dec 2016