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**Bills Committee on
Education (Amendment) Bill 2002**

**Minutes of meeting
held on Thursday, 12 February 2004 at 4:30 pm
in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building**

**Members
present**

: Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan (Chairman)
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, JP
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon YEUNG Yiu-chung, BBS
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP
Hon SZETO Wah
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP
Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

**Public Officers
attending**

: Mr M Y CHENG
Deputy Secretary for Education and Manpower (3)

Mr Andrew POON
Principal Assistant Secretary for Education and
Manpower (Quality Assurance)

Mrs YU LAW Siu-man
Senior Education Officer (School Registration and
Compliance)

Mr Gilbert MO
Deputy Law Draftsman (Bilingual Drafting and
Administration)
Department of Justice

Mr W L CHEUNG
Senior Government Counsel
Department of Justice

Attendance by invitation : Hong Kong Association of Sponsoring Bodies of Schools

Mr HA Wing-ho
Chairman

Mr WONG Wai-yu
Honourable Secretary

Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

Mrs Jannie CHAU
Representative

Hong Kong Professional Teachers' Union

Miss SY On-na
Member of Executive Committee

Federation of Parent-Teacher Association of the
Northern District

Mrs Corra WONG
Chairman

Mr Dick WONG
Founder President

HK School Clerks & Janitors General Union

Mr PO Hing
Union Secretary

Mr LI Ip-keung
Executive Committee member

Yuen Long Merchants Education Promotion Limited

Mr YEUNG Yuk-chiu
Director

The Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong

Ms WOO Lo-ming, Alice
Episcopal Delegate For Education

Federation of Parent-Teacher Association, Kowloon
City District

Mr NG, Nathaniel Y.
Chairman

Mr WONG Kin-to, Bunco
Vice Chairman

Federation of Parent-Teacher Association Wong Tai
Sin District

Mr Scipio WU Tim-chau
Chairman

Mrs Louisa WONG Fai-kwan
Committee Member

Joint Parent-Teacher Association of Kwai Tsing District

Mr TANG Yuk-wah
Chairman

Mr CHAN Wai-tong
Vice-chairman

Federation of Parent-Teacher Association of Tuen Mun

Mr WAI Hak-keung
Chairman

Ms SUEN Man-lai
Member

Tsuen Wan District Parent-Teacher Association
Federation

Mr LEE Chung-kuen
Chairman

Ms LAU Lai-kee
Member

Federation of Parents-Teacher Association, Tai Po
District

Ms FUNG Wai-ching
Chairman

Mr LAM Wai-hong
Vice-Chairman

Individuals

Mr PANG Yiu Kai
Chairman of the former Advisory Committee on
School-based Management

Mr WONG Hak-lim
Member of the former Advisory Committee on
School-based Management

Clerk in attendance : Mrs Percy MA
Chief Council Secretary (2)3

Staff in attendance : Ms Bernice WONG
Assistant Legal Adviser 1

Mr Stanley MA
Senior Council Secretary (2)6

I. Meeting with deputations and the Administration

[LC Paper Nos. CB(2)933/03-04(01) and CB(2)1220/03-04(01)]

The deliberation of the Bills Committee was outlined in the index of proceedings at **Annex**.

2. Members noted the submission from Hong Kong Council of the Church of Christ in China [LC Paper No.CB(2)1326/03-04(02)].

3. The Bills Committee received views from the following 15 deputations and individuals on the Bill -

- (a) Hong Kong Association of Sponsoring Bodies of School
[LC Paper No. CB(2)1259/03-04(01)];
- (b) Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui;
- (c) Hong Kong Professional Teachers' Union
[LC Paper No. CB(2)1362/03-04(01)];
- (d) Federation of Parent-Teacher Association of the Northern District;
- (e) HK School Clerks & Janitors General Union
[LC Paper No. CB(2)1259/03-04(02)];
- (f) Yuen Long Merchants Education Promotion Limited;
- (g) The Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong
[LC Paper No. CB(2)1259/03-04(03)];
- (h) Federation of Parent-Teacher Association, Kowloon City District;
- (i) Federation of Parent-Teachers Association Wong Tai Sin District
[LC Paper No. CB(2)1259/03-04(04)];
- (j) Joint Parent-Teacher Association of Kwai Tsing District
[LC Paper No. CB(2)1303/03-04(01)];
- (k) Federation of Parent-Teacher Association of Tuen Mun;
- (l) Tsuen Wan District Parent-Teacher Association Federation;
- (m) Federation of Parents-Teacher Association, Tai Po District;
- (n) Mr PANG Yiu-kai; and
- (o) Mr WONG Hak-lim.

4. Mr SZETO Wah and Mr CHEUNG Man-kwong expressed serious concern about the statement made by the Secretary for Education and Manpower (SEM) at his meeting with representatives of the three primary school councils on 9 February 2004. According to a newspaper report dated 10 February 2004, SEM advised the representatives that in order to provide schools with more flexibility in deployment of funds, the Administration would, after the enactment of the Bill, explore the feasibility of adopting a one-line vote arrangement for provision of recurrent funding to aided schools. Mr SZETO and Mr CHEUNG considered that in adopting a one-line vote

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arrangement, Incorporated Management Committees would be able to determine the salaries of principals and teachers without the need to follow the civil service pay system. They requested SEM to provide a written response to clarify the intention of his statement as quoted in the newspaper and the relationship between the Bill and one-line vote arrangement. Mr SZETO also requested parent representatives of parent-teacher associations to consult serving teachers in their schools about the impact of the one-line vote arrangement on the morale of the teaching workforce and the stability of the school environment.

5. The Administration explained that under the existing Codes of Aids for primary, secondary and special schools, staff salaries in aided schools should follow the civil service pay system. Amendment to the Codes of Aids would be made if one-line vote arrangement was to be introduced. The Administration also assured members that if a one-line vote arrangement was considered for adoption, the Administration would consult the Legislative Council and the teaching profession, and would have to obtain the support of the community before implementation.

II. Any other business

6. The meeting ended at 6:30 pm.

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**Proceedings of the meeting of the Bills Committee on
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Time marker	Speaker	Subjects	Action required
0334 - 0645	Chairman	Welcome to deputations	
0646 - 1353	Mr Ha Wing-ho	Oral presentation of the Hong Kong Association of Sponsoring Bodies of Schools	
1354 -1422	Mrs Janie CHAU	Oral presentation of the Hong Kong Sheung Kung Hui	
1423 - 2023	Miss SY On-na	Oral presentation of the Hong Kong Professional Teachers' Union	
2024 - 2535	Ms Corra WONG	Oral presentation of the Federation of Parent-Teacher Association of the Norther District	
2536 - 2735	Mr PO Hing	Oral presentation of the Hong Kong School Clerks and Janitors General Union	
2736 - 2909	Mr YEUNG Yuk-chiu	Oral presentation of Yuen Long Merchants Education Promotion Limited	
2910 - 3241	Ms Alice WOO	Oral presentation of The Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong	
3242 - 3425	Mr Nathaniel NG	Oral presentation of Federation of Parent-Teacher Association, Kowloon City District	
3426 - 3923	Mr Scipio WU and Mrs Louisa WONG	Oral presentation of Federation of Parent-Teachers Association Wong Tai Sin District	

3924 - 4533	Mr TANG Yuk-wah	Oral presentation of Joint Parent-Teacher Association of Kwai Tsing District	
4534 - 4903	Mr WAI Hak-keung and Ms SUEN Man-lai	Oral presentation of Federation of Parent-Teacher Association of Tuen Mun	
4904 - 5244	Mr LEE Chung-kuen	Oral presentation of Tsuen Wan District Parent-Teacher Association Federation	
5245 - 5421	Mr LAM Wai-hong	Oral presentation of Federation of Parents-Teacher Association, Tai Po District	
5422 - 5823	Mr PANG Yiu Kai	Oral presentation	
5824 - 010433	Mr WONG Hak-lim	Oral presentation	
010434 - 011330	Chairman Admin	Admin response to deputations' views and concerns.	
011331 - 011935	Chairman Admin	Relationship between school self-evaluations and school-based management.	
011936 - 012737	Mr Tommy CHEUNG Deputations Chairman	Progress of implementation of SBM in aided schools and percentage of school management committees which had parent, teacher and independent managers.	
012738 - 013800	Mr SZETO Wah Admin Chairman	The Secretary for Education and Manpower's statement on implementation of one-line vote arrangement in aided schools after enactment of the Bill.	See para 4 of the minutes
013801 - 014455	Mr CHEUNG Man-kwong Admin Chairman	Complexity of the Bill and the controversial issues to be resolved before enactment.	

014456 - 015650	Ms Emily LAU Deputations	Incorporation of parents and teachers in school management; and why only 65 out of the 334 schools which had volunteered to implement school management initiatives had registered parent and teacher managers in their SMCs.	
015651 - 015748	Chairman	Date of next meeting	

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