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Bills Committee on Education (Amendment) Bill 2002

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday, 24 March 2004 at 8:30 am in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building

Members : Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan (Chairman) present

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, JP

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

Member

absent

: Hon LEE Cheuk-yan

Public Officers

attending

: Mrs Fanny LAW, GBS, JP

Permanent Secretary for Education and Manpower

Mr M Y CHENG

Deputy Secretary for Education and Manpower (3)

Mrs YU LAW Siu-man

Senior Education Officer (Education Ordinance Review

and Compliance)

Education and Manpower Bureau

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

Mr W L CHEUNG Senior Government Counsel Department of Justice

Clerk in attendance

: Ms Doris CHAN

Chief Council Secretary (2)2

Staff in attendance

: Ms Bernice WONG Assistant Legal Adviser 1

Mr Stanley MA

Senior Council Secretary (2)6

I. Meeting with the Administration

[LC Paper Nos. CB(2)1660/03-04(01) and CB(2)933/03-04(01)]

The Bills Committee deliberated on the Administration's response to the four proposed amendments to the Bill raised by members at the meeting on 3 March 2004 (index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

Proposed amendments raised by members at the last meeting

- 2. <u>Members</u> noted that the Administration had agreed to prepare draft Committee Stage amendments (CSAs) to
 - (a) delineate clearly the powers between the school sponsoring body (SSB) and the Incorporated Management Committee (IMC) in handling school assets and properties, loans, fund-raising and contracts;
 - (b) designate the chairperson of IMC as the supervisor; and
 - (c) empower a SSB to nominate candidate(s) to the principal selection committee. The IMC would then recommend the selected principal candidate to the Permanent Secretary for Education and Manpower for approval.

Further amendments proposed by members

- 3. <u>Mr CHEUNG Man-kwong</u> suggested that proposed section 40AD of the Bill should expressly specify that
 - (a) SSBs were empowered to stipulate in the IMC constitution the rules and procedures for the selection and nomination of principals by a principal selection committee on an open and transparent basis. In essence, the Bill should provide SSBs with a choice in nomination of principals for their schools, i.e., a SSB could either nominate a candidate for consideration by the principal selection committee of an IMC, or delegate the power to nominate to an IMC, or collaborate with an IMC to nominate a candidate;
 - (b) SSBs were empowered to determine the number of persons in each category comprising a principal selection committee to be established under proposed section 57A;
 - (c) IMCs must follow the vision and mission of the school set out by SSBs in formulating the education policies of the school under proposed section 40AD(2)(a); and
 - (d) a SSB was empowered to redeploy principals and teachers, among its schools.

The Administration undertook to prepare draft CSAs in respect of the suggestions in paragraphs 3(a) to (d) for members' consideration at the next meeting.

II. Clause-by-clause examination of the Bill [LC Paper No. CB(2)1549/03-04(03)]

4. The Bills Committee requested the Administration to provide a full set of draft CSAs to facilitate clause-by-clause examination of the Bill at the next meeting.

III. Any other business

Dates of future meetings

5. <u>Members</u> agreed to cancel the meeting scheduled for 7 April 2004 and hold the next meeting on 14 April 2004 at 8:30 am. To speed up the Committee's deliberation work, <u>members</u> also agreed to hold double time-slot

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meetings from 8:30 am to 12:45 pm on 14, 21 and 28 April 2004 and 5, 12, and 19 May 2004.

6. The meeting ended at 10:00 am.

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Proceedings of the meeting of the Bills Committee on Education (Amendment) Bill 2002 on Wednesday, 24 March 2004 at 8:30 am in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building

Time marker	Speaker	Subjects	Action
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0014 - 0228	Chairman	Briefing	
0229 - 0833	Admin	Briefing by PSEM on the Administration's	
	Chairman	paper.	
0024 2754	M. CHELING M 1	A 1	G 2.6
0834 - 2754		Amendments in respect of the power of a	_
	Chairman	SSB to recommend principals, determine	
	Admin	the composition of the principal selection	
		committee, and redeploy staff among its	
		schools; and the formulation of education	
		policies by IMCs in accordance with the	
		vision and mission of the school.	
2755 5720	M. E. 'I. I. AII	Consultation with SSBs on the	
2755 - 5738	Ms Emily LAU		
	Chairman	establishment of IMCs in school	
	Admin	management and the views of parents and	
	Mr SZETO Wah	teachers in participation of IMC work; and	
		Selection of principals in schools.	
5739 - 010635	Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung	Power of SSBs to arrange transfer of staff	
	Admin	between their schools.	
	Mr SZETO Wah		
	Chairman		
	Mr Tommy CHEUNG		
	Mr YEUNG Yiu-chung		
010636 - 011530	Chairman	Clause-by-clause examination	See para 4 of
	Mr CHEUNG Man-kwong		the minutes
	Mr Tommy CHEUNG		
	Mr SZETO Wah		
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011531 - 012213	Chairman	Dates of future meetings	
	Mr CHEUNG Man-kwong		
	Mr Tommy CHEUNG		
	Mr SZETO Wah		

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