

5 October 2007

Bills Committee on The English Schools Foundation (Amendment) Bill 2007
Legislative Council

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Committee Stage Amendment

I would like to move a Committee Stage Amendment on the English Schools Foundation (Amendment) Bill 2007 for a new composition of the Board of Governors as follows:

- a) Remove the two members elected from among LegCo members from the Board of Governors;
- b) Add a representative of parents of students with special educational needs (SEN) elected from among themselves to the Board;
- c) Add a representation from the Education Bureau to the Board.

The amendments are proposed as attached for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Tommy Cheung', is written on a light-colored rectangular background.

Tommy Cheung
Legislative Councilor

THE ENGLISH SCHOOLS FOUNDATION (AMENDMENT) BILL 2007
COMMITTEE STAGE

Amendments to be moved by the Honourable Cheung Yu-yan, JP

- | <u>Clause</u> | <u>Amendment Proposed</u> |
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| 4(1) | <p>(a) In the proposed definition of “external member”, by deleting “or (h)” and substituting “, (h) or (j)”;</p> <p>(b) in the proposed definition of “parent member”, by adding “(b)”, after “6(1)”;</p> <p>(c) by adding after the proposed definition of “standing committee”-
“students with special educational needs” (特殊教育需要學生)
means students with one or more of the following characteristics -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) attention deficit;(b) hyperactivity disorder;(c) autism;(d) hearing impairment;(e) mental handicap;(f) mental illness;(g) physical handicap;(h) specific learning difficulties;(i) speech impairment;(j) visceral disability;(k) visual impairment.”. |
| 8 | <p>In the proposed section 6 -</p> <p>(a) by deleting subsection (1) and substituting -</p> <p>“(1) The Board of Governors shall comprise the following members –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) 3 persons elected by the Chairmen of the School Councils from among their own number;(b) 6 persons elected by the parents of students of schools of the Foundation that provide primary or secondary education from among their own number;(c) one person elected by the parents of students with special educational needs of schools of the Foundation that provide primary or secondary education from among their own number;(d) one person elected by the Committee of Parents from |

among the members of that Committee;

(e) one person elected by the Principals of the schools of the Foundation from among their own number;

(f) 2 persons, one of whom is a teacher of primary level students and the other of secondary level students, elected by the Committee of Teaching Staff from among the members of that Committee;

(g) one person elected by the Committee of Support Staff from among the members of that Committee;

(h) 10 persons who are not eligible for nomination or election under any other paragraph of this subsection, nominated by the Nominating Committee;

(i) the Chief Executive Officer, ex officio; and

(j) the Permanent Secretary for Education Bureau or his appointed representative.”;

(b) in subsection (2), by deleting “or (h)” and substituting “, (h) or (j).”.