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ABSTRACT This study identified and examined functions, funding, advantages and problems that may face a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post Primary Schools. The sample consisted of 5728 respondents, made-up of 100 Proprietors, 208 Principals, 2440 Teachers and 2980 Parent. Five research questions were raised and answered using percentages. Four null hypotheses were formulated and tested using ANOVA at 0.05 level of significance. Result revealed; that it is possible to establish a Unified Teaching Service Board for Post-primary Schools. There is no significant difference between proprietors, principals, teachers and parent on identified functions and advantages of a Unified Teaching Service Board. There is no significant difference among the identified ways of funding and problems that may face a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post Primary Schools.

INTRODUCTION

Privatization of education industry has been on a hot debate in many states in Nigeria, of which Delta State is one. The Nigeria Union of Teachers (N.U.T.) Delta State did not accept Government plan to handover schools to their original owners the Missionaries and some private individuals. When formal education, was introduced into Nigeria in 1842 by the Weslyan Methodist Society followed by the Church Missionary Society (C.M.S.). the Roman Catholic Mission, Southern Baptist Convention and others, it was totally under the private sector. These missionaries have individually centralized administration of teachers under the difference missions carryout their duties in any part of the country within the mission. There was variation in policy, administrative structure, manpower quality and condition of service for teachers. As a result, the colonial government made an effort in 1882, through an ordinance i.e. 1882 ordinance which provide for a general board of education composed of the Governor, as chairman, members of the Executive Council and four nominees of the Governor.

Classification of schools into two: government schools which would be completely funded by government and assisted schools that is school owned by voluntarily agencies and private people and which would be assisted with government funds (Ejiogu, 1988: 6). This was an indirect way of government monitoring the activities of private schools.

With Obasanjo's new salary structure for

Nigerian workers, the large difference between teachers and civil servant salaries, have been reduced in the public schools. In private schools, because of poor salaries and allowances, teachers are not motivated, they are not regularly paid and they are frustrated, hence when there is any opportunity for job in public schools, they live the job in private schools. There are no qualified and young permanent teachers in the private schools (Aghenta, 1998; Agbatutu, 2002).

Lack of reliable, qualified teachers in the private schools, affects the achievement of the objectives of the national policy of education and privatization policy of government; as these affects the implementation of the national policy on Education and increase in wastage in secondary schools (Salami, 1990; Aghenta, 1993; Aina, 1999; Oguazor, 2005).

During the 2003/2004 academic sessions, there are 449 registered private primary schools and 374 Secondary Schools in Delta State. This is an indication of active participation of the private sector in education in the State. Most of these schools are faced with problems of poor infrastructure and quality teachers. According to Ikoya (1999) an indication that government has not shown enough commitment to the development, deployment, retainance and sustenance of quality manpower in the education sector.

There is variation in the quality of education existing within private schools in the State, resulting from teacher quality and infrastructure. (Agbatutu, 2002). There is therefore an urgent need for the provision of a centralized central control and assistance for private schools, through a Unified Teaching Service Board. Some of the functions of the Board shall include; administration of the service, in particular to appoint, promote, dismiss and exercise disciplinary control over teachers in post primary institution and other staff of the board (Bendel State, 1988).

Statement of the Problem: In recent years, the number of private schools have been on the increase, with correspond student enrolment. It is also alleged that many public school students enrolled for Junior and Senior Certificate Examinations in the private schools, resulting into increase in examination malpractice and indiscipline by students and some teachers of private schools. School business has become a free-for-all activity for the rich educated and uneducated men and women. A quick source of wealth. Quality of product is not the concern of most private schools. According to the Delta State Commissioner of Education (Ogbuagu, 2004: 10)

"Education is not a money making venture but a social service for nurturing the minds of the younger generation who will become leader of tomorrow. Only patriotic and conscientious individuals and organizations should participate in the provision of education."

These patriotic and conscientious individual face the problems of teacher's mobility and facility inadequacy. In what way can government provide aid to private post-primary institutions through a joint organ with those involved in the business of education? That is a Unified Teaching Service Board.

Purpose of the Study: Qualitative education cannot be provided by private schools without a stable quality teacher. Hence there is need for a centralized system of control and assistance by government to private post-primary institutions. The study specifically identified the possibility of setting up a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post-primary Institutions. It also examined the advantage and problems that may face a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post-Primary Schools.

Research Questions: The following research questions were raised and answered.

- 1. Is it possible to established a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post-primary Schools as perceived by male and female proprietors; principals; Teachers and Parent?
- 2. Who is to establish the Board, conditions and what are the functions of the Unified

Teaching Service Board for Private Post – Primary Schools.

- 3. What are the possible ways of funding the Unified Teaching Service Board for private post primary schools?
- 4. What are the advantages of a Unified Teaching Service Board for private postprimary schools?
- 5. What are the problems that may face a Unified Teaching Service board for Private Post Primary Schools?

Hypotheses: The following Hypotheses were formulated and tested.

- 1. There is no significant difference between proprietors, principals, Teachers and Parent of private and public post-primary schools on the identified functions of a Unified Teaching Service Board for private postprimary schools.
- 2. There is no significant difference among; provision of 20% of Teachers and board members salaries by government, annual payment of required teachers salaries by proprietor, payment of education tax to the board by companies, assistant by special government organs and contribution into the pension fund by proprietors and teachers through taxation as identified ways of funding a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post primary schools.
- 3. There is no significant difference between proprietors, principals, teachers and parent of private and public secondary schools on identified advantage of a Unified Teaching Service Board for private post-primary schools.
- 4. There is no significant difference among; inconsistency in government policy, financial inability of some proprietors, level of education of some proprietors, corrupt practice by some board members and negative attitude of Nigerians towards a change as identified problems that may face a unified Teaching Service Board for private post-primary schools.

METHOD AND PROCEDURE

The population of this study consisted of all principals and teachers in the 370 public and 374 private secondary schools, with student enrolment of 229,597 and 82,009 respectively during the 2004/2005 academic session in Delta

State, Nigeria (Ogbuagu 2004). Ten local government areas were used for this study selection of Local Government areas was from the three senatorial District of the states namely; Delta North (4), Delta Central (3) and Delta South (3). From the ten Local Government Areas, 1480 principals 148 teachers were selected from public schools. 100 proprietors, 60 principals and 960 teachers were selected from 160 private secondary schools 2980 parent were also selected from 308 secondary schools. The total sample used for the study was 5728.

Instrument and Data Collection: A Unified Teaching Service Board for private post-primary schools in Delta State (UTSBPS) questionnaire, made-up of twenty-seven items provided data for the study.

The instrument was validated by experts in Educational Management and has a test-re-test reliability coefficient of 0.83.

The instrument was administered on teachers who have at least 5years and 3year teaching experience in public and private secondary schools respectively, by the researchers; post – graduate students of Educational Administration and post-graduate Diploma in Education student in Delta State University teaching in the selected local government areas. Each subject was scored on the bases of his/her response to the items in the four likert scales in order of strongly agree (SA)4, Agree (A)3, Disagree (D)2, and Strongly Disagree(SD)1.

Data Analysis: The researcher made use of the weighted scores from responses of the respondents. The research question were answered using weighted scores percentage, mean and the null hypotheses were tested with ANOVA at 0.05 level of significance.

The maximum score on the weightings of the 5728 responses based on the four-likert scale is 22912 (SA). The minimum score is 5728 (SD) while 171844 and 11456 are the maximum scores for agree and disagree respectively.

To determine the degree of acceptance to an item, scores between 20048 and 22912 i.e. 87.5% to 100%, highly accepted 14320 to 20080 i.e. 62.5% to 87.64% is accepted and below 1432, is not accepted.

RESULTS

The results of the data analysis are presented according to research question and hypothesis.

Research Question 1:

1. Is it possible to established a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post-primary Schools as perceived by male and female proprietors; principals; Teachers and Parent?

Since 4359 is 76% agreed that it is possible and only 1369 i.e. 24% disagree; it shows that it is possible to establish a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Teaching post primary schools, as revealed in this study.

Research Question 2: Who is to establish the Board, conditions, and what are the functions of the Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post-primary Schools.

From table 2, government is to establish the Board and all approved schools register with the board. The board is to register teachers, appoint, promote, transfer and discipline teachers in private schools.

Research Question 3: What are the possible ways of funding the Unified Teaching Service Board for Private post- primary schools. From table 3, companies through education tatand special government organisations should fund the board.

Research Question 4: What are the advantages of a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private post-primary schools?

From table 4, Elimination of poor treatment given to teachers by some proprietors and favourable competition between private and public schools in manpower quality and quantity revealed the highest scores among the identified advantages of a Unified Teaching Service Board for private post-primary schools.

Table 1: Summary of male and female proprietors, principals, teachers and parents on the possibility ofestablishing a unified teaching serviceboard for private post- primary schools.

Items	М	lale	Fe	male		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	Remark
Is very possible	1036	38.4	1342	44.3	2378	41.5	
Is possible	892	33.0	1089	35.9	1981	34.6	
Not possible	508	19.0	434	14.3	942	16.4	
Cannot be possible	261	9.6	166	5.5	427	7.5	Possible
Total	2697	100.0	3031	100.0	5728	100.0	

S.	Items	Prop	Proprietor		Principals	sli			Teachers				Parents	2		Grand	Mean
No.				Priv	Private	Public	ic	Private	ate	Public	ر د	Private	ate	Public	5	total %	
		Male Ni=50 Ms.=200	Female N2=50 Ms.=200		Female N4=30 Ms.=120	Male N5=77 MS.=308	Male Female Male Female N3=30 N4=30 N5=77 N6=71 Ms.=120 Ms.=120 Ms.=384 Ms.=284	Male N7=384 Ms.=1536	Male Female N7=384 N8=578 Ms.=1536 Ms.=2304	Male N9=666 M.s=2664	Female N10=814 M.s=3256	Male N11=745 M.s=2980	Female N12=745 Ms.2980	Male N13=745 M.s.=2980	<i>Female</i> <i>N14=745</i> <i>M.s.</i> =2980	N=5728 GT=22912	2
-	Government should appoint members to start with for a period	168 (84%)	156 -78%	92 (77%)	90 (75%)	261 (85%)	232 (82%)	1241 (81%)	1764 (77%)	1918 (72%)	2521 (77%)	2327 -78%	2608 -88%	2123 -71%	2178 -73%	1767.9 -77.20%	3.1
7	of four years. All government approved schools should register	158 (78%)	146 (73%)	99 (83%)	92 (77%)	276 (90%)	218 (77%)	1244 (81%)	2035 (88%)	1955 (73%)	2578 (79%	2503 -84%	2414 -81%	2236 -75%	2379 -80%	1833.3 -80%	3.2
	with the board.	172	143	96	101	265	191	1274	1872	2126	2438	2445	2178	2087	2390	1780.8	
ε	Inspection of private schools to access varia hility	(86%)	(87%)	(80%)	(84%)	(86%)	(67%)	(83%)	(81%)	(80%)	(75%	-82%	-73%	-70%	-80%	-77.70%	3.1
4	Registration of private schools	154 (77%)	140 (70%)	92 (77%)	87 (72%)	227 (74%)	213 (75%)	1150 (75%)	1814 (79%)	2030 (76%)	2399 (74%	2384 -80%	2235 -75%	2271 -76%	2278 -76%	17474 -76.30%	3.1
2	Fix salary for teachers in relation to ability to pay and govt.	162 (81%)	157 (78%)	82 (68%)	100 (83%)	242 (79%)	227 (80%)	1175 (76%)	1805 (78%)	1886 (71%)	2250 (69%	2086 -70%	2636 -89%	2012 -68%	2207 -74%	17027 -74.30%	ξ
9	salary structure. After four years, the board should he in	142	133	79	76	218	250	1038	1795	1609	2306	1788	2579	1863	1661	15888	2.8
	charge of recruitment, transfer and promotion of teachers in private	(71%)	(67%)	(66%)	(81%)	(71%)	(88%)	(68%)	(78%)	(%09)	(71%	-60%	-87%	-63%	-67%	-69.30%	
	schools. Total score Percentage for 6 itomo	956 79.9	905 75.4	540 75	567 78.8	$1489 \\ 80.6$	1331 78.1	7122 77.3	11085 80.2	11524 72.1	14492 74.2	13533 75.7	14650 81.9	12592 70.4	13423 75.1	104209 75.8	
	Means score	3.2	ю	3	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.2	2.9	3	ŝ	3.3	2.8	3	3	
	Maximum score for 6 items	1200	1200	720	720	1848	1704	9216	13824	15984	19536	17880	17880	17880	17880	137472	

S.	S. Items	Prot	Proprietor		Principals	S			Teachers				Parents	s,		Grand Mean	Mean
No.				Private	ate	Public	<i>c</i> .	Private	ate	Public	ic	Private	ate	Public	c.	total %	
		Male Score/%	Female Score%	Male Score%	Male Female Male Score/% Score/% Score/	Male Score/	Female Score%	Male Score%	Female Score%	Male Score%	Female Score%	Male Score/%	Female Score/%	Female Male Score/% Score/%	Female Score/%		
	Maximum score	200	200	120	120	308	284	1536	2304	2664	3256	2980	2980	2980	2980		
-	per nem Government should	146	170		96	108	114	1007	1876	1742	2105	1771	7305	2436	2170	16487	00
-	proved 20% of the salaries of Board	(73%)	(65%)	(64%)	(%	128 (64%)	214 (75%)	(71%)	(79%)	(65%)	(9429)	(78%)	(%08)	(82%)	(78%)	(72%)	C:7
2	Schools owners	116	114	71	98	178	238	1031	1823	1854	2091	1788	2235	2397	1974	16008	2.8
ı	should pay on annual (58%) bases, the salaries	(58%)	(57%)	(29%)	(%	(58%)	(84%)	(67%)	(88%)	(20%)	(64%)	(%09)	(75%)	(80%)	(%99)	(%06:69)	i
	of teacher needed by them into the																
	boards account,																
	as a condition for																
"	Companies should pay 153	153	162	94	95	229	243	1148	1891	1857	2325	2169	2341	2178	2174	17059	"
5	education tax to the	(16%)	(81%)	(78%)	(9	(74%)	(86%)	(75%)	(81%)	(20%)	(71%)	(13%)	(%6L)	(13%)	(13%)	(74.50%)	5
	Board to assist private																
	schools.			1													
4	Special government	146	172	95		258	246	1176	1633	2014	2365	2285	2315	2278	2116	17196	m
	organs like the NDD C should assist in	(73%)	(86%)	(%6L)	(81%)	(84%)	(87%)	(%/	(71%)	(76%)	(73%)	(11%)	(%11)	(76%)	(71%)	(75.10%)	
	funding the Board.																
2	Private school owners 108	108	176	LL		237	249	1099	1623	1764	2313	1821	2181	1691	2076	15495	2.7
	and teacher should	(54%)	(88%)	(64%)	(%99)	(%/1/)	(88%)	(72%)	(%0)	(%99)	(71%)	(61%)	(13%)	(57%)	(20%)	(67.60%)	
	contribute towards pension funds																
	through tax.																
	Total score	699	753	414		1100	1190	5546	8796	9231	11289	9834	11467	10980	10510	82245	2.9
	Percentage	6.99	75.3	69	78	71.4	83.8	72.2	76.4	69.3	69.3	66	LL	73.7	70.5	71.8	
	for 5 items																
	Means score	2.7	ŝ	2.8	3.1	2.9	3.4	2.9	3.1	2.8	2.8	2.6	3.1	2.9	2.8	2.92	
	Maximum score	1000	1000	600	600	1540	1420	7680	11520	13320	162.80	14900	14900	14900	14900	114560	
	for 5 items	2	2	2		-	1	2	1			2	-	2	2		

UNIFIED TEACHING SERVICE BOARD FOR PRIVATE POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Public	
Male Female Male Female Score% Score% Score%	Female Male Score% Score.
284	308
251 (88%)	237 (77%)
225 (79%)	213 (69%)
205	160
(72%)	(52%)
238	249
(84%)	(81%)
218	258
(17%)	(84%)
205	234
(72%)	(78%)
1342	1351
78.8	73.1
3. 15	2.92
1704	1848

UNIFIED TEACHING SERVICE BOARD FOR PRIVATE POST PRIMARY SCHOOLS

No.	Items	Pro_{l}	Proprietor		Principals	ls			Teachers				Parents	s		Grand	Mean
				Private	ate	Public	ic.	Private	ate	Public	ic	Private	ate	Public	5	total %	
		Male Score/%	Female Score%		Male Female Male Score% Score% Score/	Male Score/	Female Score%	Male Score%	Female Score%	Male Score%	Female Score/%	Male Score/%	Female Score/%	Male Score/%	Female Score/%		
	Maximum score per item	200	200	120	120	308	284	1536	2304	2664	3256	2980	2980	2980	2980	22912	4
1	Inconsistency in government	162 (80%)	152 (76%)	91 (76%)	97 (81%)	212 (68%)	210 (74%)	1236 (80%)	1958(85%)	1982 (74%)	2466 (76%)	2161 (73%)	2431 (82%)	2310 (78%)	2235 (75%) (2235 17704 (75%) (77.30%)	3.09
0	policy. Inability of some 172 proprietors to (86%	; 172 (86%)	149 (74%)	96 (80%)	103 (86%)	218 (71%)	243 (86%)	1216 (79%)	1901 (83%)	2094 (79%)	2565 (79%)	2334 (78%)	2453 (82%)	2347 (79%)	2208 18099 (74%) (79%)	18099 (79%)	3.16
Э	cope manciany. Level of	152	136	94	06	204	203	1186	1882	1897	2408	2136	2409	2272	2350	17419	3.04
~	education of (76) some proprietors 167	(76%) 8167 (82%)	(68%) 155 (78%)	(78%) 101 (84%)	(75%) 91 (76%)	(66%) 227 74%)		(77%) 1188 77%)	(82%) 1846 (80%)	(71%) 1913	(74%) 2482 76%)	(72%) 2409 (81%)	(81%) 2407 (81%)	(75%) (75%)	2265	(76%) 17683 1772000	3.09
t	by the member	(0% CO)	(0/0/)	(04.70)			(% 60)	(0/11)	(0/ 00)	(0/7/)	(0/07)	(0/10)	(0/10)	(0/(C/)		0% 0 7 . 1 1	
ŝ	Unwillingness of teacher to remain with	148 (74%)	156 (78%)	84 (70%)	68 (57%)	252 (82%)	221 (78%)	1231 (80%)	1708 (94%)	2094 (79%)	2414 (74%)	2136 (72%)	2223 (75%)	2086 (70%)	2201 (74%) (2201 17022 (74%) (74.30%)	2.97
9	Negative attitude 143 of Nigerians (72%) towards a	; 143 (72%)	147 (73%)	86 (72%)	102 (85%)	231 (75%)	262 (92%)	1227 (80%)	1728 (75%)	2014 (76%)	2518 (77%)	2235 (75%)	2322 (78%)	2198 (74%)	2270 (76%) (2270 17483 (76%) (76.30%)	3.05
	Change. Total score Percentage	944 78.7	895 74.6	552 76.7	551 76.5	1344 72.7	1336 78.4	7284 79	11023 79.7	11994 75	14854 76	13411 75	14245 79.7	13448 75.2	13529 75.7	13529 105410 75.7 76.6	3.06
	Means score	3.15	2.98	3.07	3.06	2.91	3. 14	3.16	3.19	3	3.04	б	3.19	ю	3.03	3.06	
	Maximum score for 6 items	1200	1200	720	720	1848	1704	9216	13824	15984	19536	17880	17880	17880	17880 137472	37472	

Research Question 5: What are the problems that may face a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private post-primary schools?

Table 5 revealed inconsistency in government policy and financial inability of some proprietors as perceived problems that may face a Unified Teaching Service Board for private post-primary schools.

Hypothesis 1: There is no significant difference among the view of proprietors, principals, teachers and parent on the identified functions of a unified teaching service board for private post primary schools.

Since F. Calculated is less than F. Critical value i.e. 0.0018620.6 < 2.68 result is not significance, accept null hypothesis. There is no significant difference among the views of proprietors, principals, teachers and parent on the identified functions of a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post Primary Schools.

Hypothesis 2: There is no significant difference among provision of 20% of teacher and Board member's salaries by government, annual payment of required teachers salaries by proprietors, payment of education tax to the board by companies, assistant by special government organs and contribution into the pension fund

by proprietors and teacher through tax as identified ways of funding a Unified Teaching Service Board for private post primary schools.

Since F. Calculated is less than F. Critical value i.e. 0.017875 < 2.45 result is not significant, accept null hypothesis. There is no significant difference among the identified ways of funding a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post Primary Schools.

Hypothesis 3: There is no significant difference among the views of proprietors, principals, teachers and parent of private and public schools on identified advantages of a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post Primary Schools.

Since F. Calculated of 0.000415 is less than F. Critical value of 2.68, result is not significant, accept null hypothesis. There is no significant difference among the views of proprietors, principals, teachers and parent on the identified advantages of a Unified Teaching Board for Private Post-primary Schools.

Hypothesis 4: There is no significant difference among; inconsistency in government policy, financial inability, level of education of same proprietors, corrupt practice by some board members, unwillingness of teachers to remain with the board and negative attitude of Nigerians

 Table 6: Summary table of ANOVA on the identified functions of a Unified Teaching Service Board for

 Private Post-Primary Schools.

Sources of variation	Sum of square (SS)	Df	Variance (Ms)	F. Calculated	F critical at 0.05
Among	767.80	3	255.94	0.0018626	2.68
Within	786,762,063.6	5724	137,449.7		
Total	786,762,831.4	5727	137,377.8		

Source: Computed from field work

Table 7: Summary table of ANOVA on identified ways of funding a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post-Primary Schools.

Sources of variation	Sum of square (SS)	Df	Variance (Ms)	F. Calculated	F critical at 0.05
Among	355.3	4	88.825	0.017875	2.45
Within	142,249,919.1	28635	4969.35		
Total	142,250,274.4	28639	4967.01		

Source: Computed from field work

Table 8: Summary of ANOVA on the views of proprietors, principals, teacher and parents on advantages	;
of a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post-Primary Schools.	

Sources of variation	Sum of square (SS)	Df	Variance (Ms)	F. Calculated	F critical at 0.05
Among	186.7	3	62.23	0.000415	2.68
Within	857, 216,274.7	5724	149,758.3		
Total	857,216,461.4	5727	149,679.8		

Source: Computed from field work

Table 9: Summary of ANOVA of identified problems that may face a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post Primary schools.

Sources of variation	Sum of square (SS)	Df	Variance (Ms)	F. Calculated	F critical at 0.05
Among	111.8	5	22.36	0.003570	2.29
Within	215, 210,076.2	34362	62.63		
Total	215,210,188	34367	6262.1		

Source: Computed from field work

towards a change as identified problems that may face a Unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post –Primary Schools.

Since F. Calculated of 0.003570 is less than F. Critical value of 2.29, result is not significant, accept null hypothesis. There is no significant difference among the identified problems that may face a Unified Teaching Board for Private –Post-Primary Schools.

DISCUSSION

The study showed that the respondents agreed that it is possible to establish a Unified Teaching Service Board to provide assistance and ensure proper co-operation and management of private post primary schools. Also the study revealed that the perceived functions of the Board is to take changes of the administration of service, that is, appoint, promote, dismiss and exercise disciplinary control over proprietors and teachers in Private Post-primary schools. These are the functions of the Post-primary Education Board for public schools (Bendel State, 1988). Identified advantages of the board as revealed in this study includes: favourbale competition between private and public schools in terms of manpower quality, elimination of poor treatment given to teachers by some proprietors and raise a uniform standard of teaching in private schools. This could retain good quality of teachers and raise the standard of teaching and learning a serious problems facing privates schools (Ikoya, 1999; Aghenta, 1998; Agbatutu, 2002). Equally, the study showed the following perceived problems that may face the Board; inconsistency of government policy; financial inability and level of education of some proprietors, corrupt practice by board members teachers to remain with the board and negative attitude of Nigerian towards a change. These problems can be controlled, to achieve the purpose of Unified Teaching Service Board for private Post Primary Schools. There is no significant difference among proprietors,

principals, teachers and parent in terms of functions and advantages of the board. Also there is no significant difference among the identified ways of funding and problems that may face a unified teaching service board for private post primary schools, as revealed in this study.

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

The establishment of a unified Teaching Service Board for Private Post Primary schools is possible.Government, proprietors, companies and special government organs could fund the Board.Centralized assistance and control, retention of quality teachers, enhance condition of service for teachers and employment opportunity for graduates of education are advantages of a Unified Teaching Service Board for private Post Primary Schools.Inconsistency of government policy financial inability and level of education of some proprietors, corrupt practice by board members, unwillingness of teachers to remain with the board and negative attitude of Nigerians towards a change are perceived problems that may face a Unified teaching Service Boards for Private Post primary schools. It is necessary, the National Leaders, Proprietors, Policy members and Administrators should recognize and established the needed machinery for a centralized assistance and co-ordination of private post primary schools; a unified teaching service board.

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