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# Introduction

econdary school education occupies a very unique position in the educational system in Nigeria, because it is that level that determines the academic and professional career of students. Education at secondary school level is defined by Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN, 2004), as the form of education children receive after primary education and before the tertiary stage. The aim of secondary

education is to prepare the individuals for useful living within the society; and for higher education. Nigeria as a country is faced with a lot of crises in her educational industry Ogundelein Ijamu, (2015). These crises had been attributed to inadequate funding, poor and irregular payment of salaries, students' population explosion, poor teachers' job satisfaction. inadequate supply of educational facilities and needed equipment for effective teaching learning process. The result of this brings about low quality and fallen standard of education in our secondary school system.

Due to the inability of Government to attend to these issues, involvement of community participation in the administration of public secondary schools becomes inevitable. According to Bondesio (2000), influence is the ability to cause desirable and measurable actions and outcomes. It seems that community can participate in secondary school administration in Nigeria. Influence of community in the study refers to the actions exerted by the communities that cause positive change and bring about efficient and effective secondary school administration in Benue state. In this context, the study is used to determine the community participation administration of public secondary school in Benue state.

The extent to which the secondary school system is able to accomplish its objectives is determined by efficient and effective administration. Secondary schools in the study refer to all the secondary schools that are owned, financed and managed by the Benue State government. The school is the agent of socialization after the home. Therefore, the school exists for the community and the community exists and acts as clients to the school. Administration is the ability to put persons into working order and telling them what to do and how to do it so that a specified end will be accomplished. Administration is generally defined as the process of working with and through others to efficiently accomplish organizational goals (Aguba, 2009). In the words of Veig in Olowe (2007), administration is a determined action taken in pursuit of conscious purpose. It is the matching of available labour and materials in order to gain that which is desired at

conscious purpose. It is the matching of available labour and materials in order to gain that which is desired at the harvest cost of energy, time and money (Famade,

The central purpose of administration in general is the coordination of human and material resources towards the attainment of some predetermined objectives. Administration of secondary school in this study refers to the extent to which secondary schools achieve its goals by producing students who have gained knowledge, who are disciplined and have developed appropriate skills and moral value system that can make them function in the society through effective school administration. It entails working with and through teachers, non-teaching staff and students to get things done effectively. Olowe (2007) reported that community involvement in schools takes the form of managing of schools through representations of the Parent Teachers Association (PTA), Board of Governors (BOG), School Based Management Committee (SBMC), in designing curriculum, serving as resource persons to teach about some culture-oriented themes, protecting and maintaining school property, supervising and monitoring pupils' attendance at school, increasing pupils' access to basic education through enrolment drives. motivating teachers to improve effectiveness and supervising pupils' studies at home.

In education, participatory decision-making is based on the idea that active involvement of teachers, community members in school decisions will lead to good school administration. This gesture made some community members actively involved and they contributed meaningfully to the growth and development of the schools ranging from the provision of funds and infrastructural facilities to the supply of the needed manpower (part-time staff) resources of the schools. The community where the school is situated forms a focus point of getting involved in decision-making process in the school. Decision making is the process of defining problems, generating alternative solution, choosing one alternative, and implementing it (Holt, 2004). The school principal, PTAs, BOGs and elected community representatives together make decision on the total educational program for their schools. These stakeholders shared decision-making programme and controls this own budgets to focus on curriculum and programme planning, collegial decision-making and strategic planning (Donald, 2005).

There is need for communities to be carried along by secondary school principals in the decisionmaking process in public secondary schools in Benue state. In 1992, for example, the Maine Coalition for excellence in education, a taskforce of state education. legislative and community business. leaders. recommended significant changes in public education including increased collaboration among teachers, administrators, parents, and community members. In

the study of Ugwuanyi, (2013), it was reported that community through the Parent Teachers Association and Board of Governors renders enormous functions which include maintenance of discipline in the school. In the study of Udensi (2003) on community participation in secondary school administration in Lagos State, it was discovered that community in the decision making of the schools. During the 1960s and early 1970s, the child-rearing environments in economically disadvantaged families resulted in fewer opportunities for children as compared to middle- and upper-class homes (Olaitan 2001). Programs such as Head Start offered parent training skills for disadvantaged families and focused on teaching parents to be better teachers of their children. Similar approaches were used in working with families of children with exceptionalities. During this period, parents became more involved and acted as agents for facilitating child progress and achievement.

The issues of the participation of the community in decision-making in school administration should be given due emphasis because of the fact that much communities are major stakeholders in education and are very much concerned with the rationale behind the decision and their influence on life of their children, their parents in particular and the society in general. Thus, the participation of the community in school decisionmaking has good advantages that can lead to the improvement of the school. Decision making is the process of defining problems, generating alternative solution, choosing one alternative, and implementing it (Holt, 2004). It is a crucial part of management activity and determines the success or failure of any organizational goals because all organizational activities can be interpreted best in terms of decision made (Cunningham, 2002). In this sub-section, the paper reviews literature on the role of communities and parents school-based decision-making. One of the advantages of involving communities in school decisionmaking is that it creates a greater sense of ownership, morale and commitment among the stakeholders. Decisions that are made at local level are arguably more responsive to specific issues related to school contexts (Donald, 2005). An important achievement has been observed in South Africa in this regard, since schoolbased governance is often integrated with participatory decision-making (Clase 2005).

The school principals, PTAs, Board of Governors, SBMC and wealthy individual make decision on the total educational program for their school. With this system, known as school based management each school shared decision making program and controls its own budget to focus on curriculum and programme planning, collegial decision making and strategic planning (Donald, 2005). In school, adopting site-based management, the principal becomes a facilitator within the school sharing with parents and community members in the decision-making process (Wade, 2005). Decision-making is the pivot of every educative process. By implication, the school administration is seen as a collection of processes dealing with the various ways in which human and material resources are utilized to achieve set goals of our educational objectives. On this fact Femi, (2006) and Morris (2006) are of the view that participative decision-making will facilitate information flow within and outside the system. On this the communities will be highly involved in the school decision-making process.

Community is reportedly to be involved directly in decision making relating to administration of public secondary in Nigeria through the PTA (Akinwumi, 2004). Aguba, (2009) reported that community Participate in school decisions, governance, and advocacy activities through school councils or improvement teams, committees, and other organizations participation. These decisions include identification of problems facing the school administration, implementation of policies that enhance teaching and learning of the students, the study of feasibility, planning, implementation, and evaluation (Grander, 2006). In view of this Morris (2006) emphasizes the need to democratize decision making in schools by involving all the stakeholders in the school system. With the inauguration of Parent Teachers Association (P.T.A), virtually all communities now are involved in the decision making process in the school system. Thus, full integration of the communities in decision making process in the school system will remove administrative challenges facing the school authorities in the community. This is so because no community works contrary to a decision they partake in making.

Providing opportunities for relevant consultation ensure decisions reflect local needs, whether for an individual student or the school as a whole. Greater community ownership and trust of school directions and decisions can be developed through open and authentic consultation. In a society where parents lead complex lives, opportunities to participate in a variety of ways, times and places are key to improvement (Onah 2005). Parent and community participation in student learning and the school community should be acknowledged and valued. This involvement sends a clear signal to students about the value of education. The school principals of all public secondary schools in Benue state as the school manager must ensure that community school Board Management Committee, or school governing bodies and local school boards are involved in decision making on the issues that affect the school. This will go a long way in the achievement of educational goals and objectives in Benue state. The question is, to what extent is the community involvement in decision-making processes in public secondary schools in Benue state? This is what this study is set out to find out.

#### RESEARCH QUESTION П.

The following research question guided the study.

What are the mean ratings of PTA, BOGs and Principals on the influence of community participation in decision-making on the administration of public secondary schools in Benue state?

# **Hypotheses**

The following null hypothesis was formulated and was tested at 0.05 level of significance:

There is no significant difference in the mean ratings of PTA, BOGs and principals on the influence of community participation in decision making on the administration of public secondary schools in Benue State.

#### METHODOLOGY III.

Survey research design was adopted to collect data used for the study. The study area was Benue State, Nigeria. Benue State was created on the 3rd of February, 1976 with the capital city at Makurdi. It is one of the 36 states of the federation and it is situated in the North Central geo-political zone of the country. The population of the study was 4536 comprising 2160 Parent Teachers Association (PTA) members, 2160 Board of Governor (BOG) members and 216 principals of all the 216 public secondary schools in Benue state. The sample comprised 184 Parent Teachers Association members (PTA), 138 Board of Governor (BOG) members and 46 principals of public secondary schools in the sampled area. Taro-Yamen formula was employed to get the sample size.

The instrument used for data collection was self-structured questionnaire titled, "Influence Community Participation on the Administration of Public Secondary School Questionnaire" (ICPAPSSQ). The questionnaire was developed along the lines of the research questions raised for the study. questionnaire was arranged in a clusters with 5 items which was used to seek information in decision-making process. A four-point rating scale was used to find out the influence of community participation on the administration of secondary schools in Benue state. The rating scale is as follows: Strongly Agree (SA)-(4points), Agree (A) - (3points), Disagree (D) - (2points) and Strongly Disagree (SD) - (1point). The instrument was subjected to face and content validation by five experts. Three from Educational Administration and Planning, two from Measurement and Evaluation, all from the Department of Educational Foundations and General Studies, Federal University of Agriculture, Makurdi. The experts were requested to assess the relevance of the items in addressing the research questions bearing in mind the purpose of the study. These experts, after scrutinizing the instrument, made very important observations and corrections. The data collected were Global Journal of Human-Social Science (G) Volume XVIII Issue X Version I Rear 2018

analyzed using mean and standard deviation (SD) to answer the research questions while the null hypotheses were tested using Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) at 0.05 level of significance. The decision level was determined by the use of criterion mean of 2.50 for items. Mean of 2.50 and above were agreed while mean that fell below 2.50 were disagreed.

#### IV. RESULTS

Results in Table 1 below indicate the mean responses of PTA, B.O.GS and principals on the influence of community participation in decision-making on the administration of public schools in Benue state.

Table 1: Mean Responses of PTA, B.O.Gs and Principals on the Influence of Community Participation in the Decision-Making on the Administration of Public Schools in Benue State

S/N	Items	P.	P.T.A B.O.G		Principal		Grand			
		$\bar{x}$	SD.	x	SD.	x	SD.	х	SD.	Decision
1	Community advises the school authority in the control of illegal levies in the school	3.29	0.64	3.30	0.69	3.54	0.59	3.33	0.65	Agree
2	Community is consulted on the disciplinary measures involving their children/wards	3.17	0.76	3.23	073	3.09	0.66	3.18	0.74	Agree
3	Community influences the transfer of principals and teachers to their school	3.61	0.49	3.61	0.49	3.76	0.43	3.63	0.48	Agree
4	School authority usually consults the community on school programmes	3.54	0.50	3.54	0.50	3.70	0.47	3.56	0.50	Agree
5	Community takes part in determining subjects offered in the school	2.08	1.01	2.09	1.04	2.26	1.18	2.11	1.05	Disagree
	Cluster Mean							3.16	0.68	Agree

Key: x = mean, SD = Standard Deviation.

The analysis of data as presented in Table 4 revealed the mean responses of the PTA, BOGs and principals on the influence of community participation in decision-making processes on the administration of public schools in Benue state with their corresponding standard deviations. The data analysis as presented in Table 4 revealed that the respondents agreed with items 1, 2, 3 and 4 with a total mean scores of 3.33, 3.18, 3.63, and 3.56, respectively, but they all disagreed with item 5 with mean score of 2.11. Items 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectively, meet the criterion of 2.5 and above at four point rating scale. This means that the communities majorly participate in these items to aid effective public secondary school administration. However, item 5 do not meet the criterion of 2.5 and above at four points rating scale. This indicates that community does not take part in determining subjects offered in the school. **Hypothesis** 

There is no significant difference in the mean ratings of PTA, BOGs and principals on the influence of community participation in decision making on the administration of public secondary schools in Benue State.

The results in Table 2 below indicatemean responses of PTA, B.O.GS and principals on the influence of community participation in the decisionmaking on the administration of public schools in Benue state.

The results in Table 2 below revealed the summary of data analysis for the hypothesis 1.

Table 2: ANOVA Results of the Responses of PTA, BOGs and principal son the Influence of Community Participation in Decision Making Process

	Subjects	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig
Decision- Making	Between Groups	15.874	2	7.937	2.551	.079
Processes	Within Groups	1135.428	365	3.111		
	Total	1151.302	367			

# SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Based on the data analyses for this study, the following findings were made that:

Communities participate to a great extent in the decision-making through PTA and BOGs on the administration of public secondary schools in Benue State.

2. There is no statistically significant difference in the mean ratings of the respondents on the influence of community participation in decision-making on the administration of public secondary schools in Benue State.

#### VI. Discussion of Findings

Influence of community participation in decisionmaking processes on the administration of public secondary schools in Benue State

The analysis of data presented in Table 1 revealed that community has been participating in decision-making processes on the administration of public secondary schools in Benue state to a great extent. This can be seen from the responses of the PTA, BOGs and principals in Table 1. These roles include advising the school authority in the control of illegal levies in the school, community are consulted on the disciplinary measures involving their children/wards, influencing the transfer of principals and teachers to their school, school authority usually consults the community on school programmes and community takes part in determining subjects offered in the school. The finding agreed with the finding of lyaji (2004) who maintained that community participated sufficiently in administrative and decision-making processes of the which in turn brings about efficient administration of secondary school in the Kogi State. lyaji reported further that community participation in decision-making processes facilitated information flow within and outside the school system in Kogi state. The finding is also in agreement with the finding of Udensi (2003) who also carried out a study on the role of community in school administration and found that sometimes, the school looks up to the community through its leaders to endorse some crucial decisions the school intend to take especially such decisions that will affect the community in one way or the other. Udensi stressed further that if the school decides to take all its autonomously without contacting community leaders, they community will also distance itself from the school when the school needs community assistance in critical matters. It is therefore necessary that the community should be well represented when crucial decisions are being taken by the government schools in their locality. This submission is contrary to the position of Ugwuanyi (2013) who carried out a study the extent of community participation in administration of secondary schools in Nsukka Education Zone of Enugu State and submitted that communities have not been involved adequately in the decision making process. Ugwuanyi reports further that the respondents indicated that the communities have had a very low considerable contributions in the decision-making processes in government of secondary school in Nsukka Education Zone of Enugu State. The

result of the hypothesis four in Table 9 further revealed that communities do actively participate in the decisionmaking processes on the administration of public secondary school in Benue state. The result showed that there is no statistically significant difference in the mean responses of PTA, BOGs and principals on the influence of community participation in the decisionmaking processes on the administration of public secondary schools in Benue State. With the level of community participation in the decision-making processes on secondary school administration in Benue State through the finding, it could be expected that their influence would enhance the tone of public secondary school administration in Benue State.

#### Conclusion VII

Based on the results of the study and the discussion, the researchers made some conclusions that communities participate in the decision-making on the administration of public secondary schools in Benue State to a great. School as a social institution is established within the community and therefore needs to have a good relationship with immediate and far communities because of many advantages they both render to each other. Symbiotic relationship always exists between the school and the community which lead to the success of the two.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS VIII.

Based on the findings of this study, the following recommendations were made:

- The state government should through a possible medium sensitize all communities on the need for increased participation in schools management particularly in decision-making processes.
- The school authority should identify resources persons within the community and reach out to them when the need arises.

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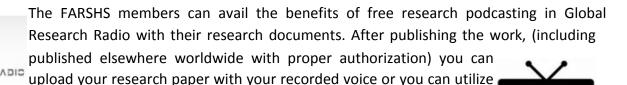
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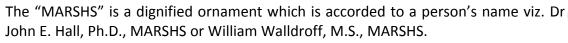
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