



Summary Report of the Discovery College School Council

Monday 20 November 2023

Present: Henry Wong, Vivian Cheung, James Smith, Kris Stanhope, Mamta Mukherjee, Jonathan Simpson, Pushkar Sane, Livia Tang, Ying Huang

In attendance: Alice Cheng (Business Manager), Karen Shum (PA to Principal)

Apologies: Jasmin Mehta, Eric Lee

1. Finance and Property sub-committee

The P&L accounts as at 31 August 2023 were approved.

The Council reviewed and approved the Terms of Reference and Emergency Evacuation Policy & Procedures

The College continues to explore different models for communication management going forward.

2. Student Wellbeing sub-committee

The Safeguarding and Child Protection procedures have been updated over the last two years with the addition of new training programmes and a digital record-keeping platform, as well as strengthening collaboration with external agencies to support students and families.

The ESF Limitless Programme will take place in May - June 2024. This 6 week experiential learning programme is designed to develop independence, leadership skills, social interaction, positivity and resilience for Year 9 students across ESF schools. 15 DC students have signed up.

The Terms of Reference for this subcommittee have been reviewed as per the annual cycle.

3. Staff Wellbeing sub-committee

Teaching vacancies as of 30 September are within a similar range to historic averages.

ESF is adopting a new model to facilitate greater collaboration and efficiency for ICT maintenance and support in Kindergartens. DC will provide ICT support to Tung Chung Kindergarten commencing December.

Information and feedback on the new teachers induction process was shared and reviewed.

4. Principal's Report

The College continues to develop its enrollment strategy based on current admissions numbers.

The council welcomed a new staff representative to the Student Wellbeing subcommittee.

No Boundaries 2023 has seen the return of travel beyond Hong Kong and the extension of the programme to include Primary students, providing new learning opportunities and outcomes.

The recent IB 5-year visit was highly successful and a celebration of the strengths shown by the DC community over the past 5 years.



5. Any Other Business

None.