



Summary Report of the Discovery College School Council

Monday 15 January 2024

Present: Livia Tang (deputized Chair), Vivian Cheung, James Smith, Kris Stanhope, Mamta Mukherjee, Jonathan Simpson, Pushkar Sane, Ying Huang, Jasmin Mehta, Livia Tang, Eric Lee

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

Apologies: Henry Wong

1. Finance and Property sub-committee

The P&L accounts as of 30 November 2023 were approved.

The subcommittee gave approval of:

- The tender waiver and payment for International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO) Examination fees.
- The purchase of iPads for the College's curriculum usage from Senco-Masslink Technology Ltd.

Members of the community generously donated some teaching resources to the Art and Design departments.

The Council reviewed and approved the updated Emergency Lockdown Procedures.

2. Student Wellbeing sub-committee

The ISA results (Y4 & 6) remain consistent and in line with the ESF school results in general with improvements in some areas. Further work will be developed in response to this year's ISA data and in alignment with the "Curriculum" Strategic Goal.

Two DC Alumni were invited to share their experiences of university life. Both appreciated that the IB Diploma Programme has given a significant 'comparative advantage' with regard to handling the academic demands of their courses, and the guidance from the DC Higher Education Office in their higher education planning was beneficial to them.

There has been significant growth year on year for the CCA programme as of Term 1 2023-24.

3. Staff Wellbeing sub-committee

The number of teaching vacancies is at a historic low, with very low turnover.

The College continues to invest in staff professional learning to help improve professional practice and create alignment around the Strategic Objectives. Further work will be focused on the curriculum and pedagogies.

4. Principal's Report

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

A preferred candidate for Community representative has been identified and is pending ESF's final approval.



Book Week 2023 was a huge success. Students across the College had opportunities to engage in a wide range of activities that inspired their reading.

We welcome back the return of annual alumni events to reconnect with ex-DC students. The latest was held in December 2023.

5. Any Other Business

None.