



Summary Report of the Discovery College School Council Tuesday 13 November 2018

Present: Simon Wong, Maggie Hinch, Susie Morley, Kitty Cheng, Chris Geary, Stewart Redden, Mark Beach, Amy Freed, Jason Edwards, Kevin Rydeard, Paul McMaster

In attendance: Pat Romano (DC Business Manager), Monica Ling (PA to Principal), Paul Munder (ESF Talent Engagement & Special Project Lead, Human Resources)

Apologies: Jennifer Ho

The meeting commenced with Paul Munder sharing an overview of the Principal appointment process.

1. Finance and Property sub-committee

The full year 2017-18 P&L accounts as at 31 August 2018 were approved.

A tentative profit of \$5.5M (combined operations budget and NBL) last year was a very positive result.

The Finance & Property sub-committee Terms of Reference was amended and approved by the sub-committee.

2. Student Wellbeing sub-committee

The school's recent focus on Visible Wellbeing is part of a two-year project with Professor Lea Waters from Melbourne University, and received many good comments from the student panel.

3. Staff Wellbeing sub-committee

Feedback from new teachers on the induction, information provided and the buddy system has been very positive.

The ESF Exit Survey, completed by 9 out of 10 teachers who left DC during the 2017-18 academic year, showed a high level of satisfaction across all questions in the results.

4. Principal's Report

Enrollment numbers for 2018-19 are slightly down on our budget figures.

The School Council approved the revised Assessment Policy (Secondary) to include reference to the IB CP with the amendment that Level 3 becomes Level 3/4.

The revised Guiding Statements Evaluation Timeline was approved by the School Council after discussion with the Finance & Property sub-committee. As it was impossible to review the impact against our Vision without carrying out any major property work over the summer, the review has been moved from November to April which would allow any initiatives an opportunity to run prior to any review. The addition of the words "budget allocations" will also allow things such as curriculum initiatives to be included in the review.

The CIS/WASC & IB Visit will be the week of 26-30 November. The Visiting Team will be meeting with members of the School Council on Tuesday 27 November, and Council members were asked to familiarize themselves with the Domain B Standards and DC Self Study ratings and comments.

5. Any Other Business

The School Council unanimously agreed to re-run the Parent Rep position on the School Council after the ESF e-Voting system closed 5 hours before the deadline during last week's election.