

Summary Report of the Discovery College School Council Wednesday 24 April 2024

Present: Henry Wong, Vivian Cheung, James Smith, Kris Stanhope, Mamta Mukherjee, Jonathan Simpson, Pushkar Sane, Ying Huang, Jasmin Mehta, Livia Tang, Eric Lee, Victor Ma

In attendance: Alice Cheng (Business Manager), Karen Shum (PA to Principal), Ann Chan (ESF Senior Executive - Financial)

Apologies:

1. Finance and Property sub-committee

The P&L accounts as of 31 January 2024 and the budget for 2024-25 were approved.

DC will provide a school fee remission of HKD2,000 per student this year. Parents will need to opt-in for this remission.

The following tender exercises are in process:

- Photographic services tender for the 2024-26 school year
- Sports Kits for the 2024-25 school year
- Security, Cleaners and Lifeguards & Pool Maintenance services for the 2024-27 school year
- No Boundaries local camps service providers for the 2024-25 school year

The subcommittee approved the purchase of 120 new Chromebooks to be made from Senco-Masslink Technology Ltd.

The No Boundaries program is extending its provision beyond Hong Kong for 2024 onwards in China and Southeast Asia, which creates new opportunities for sustainability and conservation-based learning for our students. Three service providers with relevant expertise have been identified and approved as the No Boundaries partners that can embody the DC approach.

The Council is seeking a consultancy arrangement to appoint a contractor to study the canopy and future management options. A competitive bid process is in progress.

2. Student Wellbeing sub-committee

The subcommittee approved the proposed No Boundaries programme for 2024-25 which offers a new dimension and a wider range of community engagement experiences to our students.

3. Principal's Report

The College continues to review and develop its enrollment strategy based on the current market situation and demographic characteristics.

Years 4 and 5 engaged in Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) in late February, which became a part of the No Boundaries programme for the first time, and now forms a complete developmental continuum of experiences from Year 1 - 13.

The Council welcomed Victor Ma, joining us as a community representative on the Student Wellbeing Subcommittee.



The College updated the Council on the bus accidents that happened this school year and the follow-up work that is occurring.

4. Any Other Business

None.