

# Summary Report of the Discovery College School Council Tuesday 24 April 2018

**Present:** Kitty Cheng, Stewart Redden, Mark Beach, Amy Freed, Jason Edwards, Kevin Rydeard, Paul McMaster. Maggie Hinch

In attendance: Pat Romano (DC Business Manager), Monica Ling (PA to Principal)

Apologies: Simon Wong, Jennifer Ho, Chris Geary

### 1. Finance and Property sub-committee

The P&L accounts to 28 February 2018 were approved.

#### 2. Student Wellbeing sub-committee

The sub-committee reported that the student participation data was impressive and very useful when it is gathered longitudinally for observing year by year changes and underlying drivers.

Student participation data was presented as part of the annual review of the school's Guiding Statements, which, over time, will give some helpful information not only on participation and leadership amongst students, but also in regards to trends.

## 3. Staff Wellbeing sub-committee

Teacher recruitment – there is one more teaching role to be filled in Primary. Welcome bags for new teachers arriving in August are being sorted, and Council members and PTA will be asked for contributions.

At the sub-committee meeting, James Smith (Head of Secondary) and Chris Barr (Head of Primary) presented an update on the strategic plan and spoke about a number of initiatives across both sectors that are focused on improving practice and growing leadership capabilities amongst staff.

#### 4. Principal's Report

Enrollment numbers for 2017-18 are still tracking well above forecast.

The review of the DC Guiding Statements has been completed. The Powerful Learning Statement has been moved to part of the DC Teaching & Learning Policy and replaced by the International-Mindedness Statement. The School Council approved the revised Guiding Statements.

The School Council voiced their support of a bi-annual Christmas Concert focused on raising money for two identified charities linked to student service activities.

School Council members were asked to diary meeting dates for the IBCP Verification Visit in June and the CIS/WASC Accreditation & IB Evaluation Visit in November.