



Summary Report of the Discovery College School Council Tuesday 11 September 2018

Present: 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), Brian McCann (DP Coordinator/VP)

Apologies: Simon Wong, Jennifer Ho, Maggie Hinch, Susie Morley, Kitty Cheng

The meeting commenced with Brian McCann presenting a detailed breakdown of the 2018 Diploma results and outlining the final university offers to DC students on behalf of Susie Blomfield. The DP results for 2018 are the highest yet achieved by any cohort. The DC grade average for 2018 was 35.3, against a world average of 30.0. The mean core points (for Extended Essay and TOK) increased from 2.09 last year to 2.21. This year's university placements show an increase in the number of students continuing their higher education in Hong Kong and Asia as well as a diverse choice of major. University offers included those from prestigious universities in the UK such as Cambridge, Oxford, Imperial College as well as ivy leagues schools in USA.

1. Finance and Property sub-committee

The P&L accounts to 31 July 2018 were approved.

The appointment of Cheung Kong-Yeung Architect Ltd for the inspection, design and project management for the ETFE roof maintenance and improvement work was approved.

The call for the tender process for the air conditioning and heating upgrade at DC was approved.

The disposal proposal for eleven 2009 white MacBooks was approved.

2. Staff Wellbeing sub-committee

DC to attend 3-4 recruitment fairs for 2019-20:

- Search Bangkok (10-13 January 2019)
- Search London (22-25 January 2019)
- CIS London (25-28 January 2019) - provisional
- Search San Francisco (8-11 February 2019)

Staff & Family BBQ

The Staff & Family BBQ planned for Pui O Beach has been postponed to sometime in October (date TBC).

3. Principal's Report

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

Under the new changes to ESF/DC Admissions, DC has been granted an exemption which allows DC to consider the transport restrictions into Discovery Bay when processing the applications.

DC is in discussion with ESF regarding avenues of support for families living on the house boats in the DB Marina who have been asked to vacate their berths by 31 December 2018.

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