



Summary Report of the Discovery College School Council Tuesday 17 September 2019

Present: Simon Wong, James Smith, Kevin Rydeard, Jason Edwards, Jennifer Ho, Chris Geary, Susie Morley

In attendance: Pat Romano (DC Business Manager), Monica Ling (PA to Principal), Brian McCann (DP Coordinator/VP), Marisa Jackson (Higher Education Counsellor), Peter Lasscock (Deputy Head of College and Acting Head of Secondary)

Apologies: Belinda Greer, Amy Freed, Pushkar Sane, Maggie Hinch, Kitty Cheng

The meeting commenced with Marisa Jackson outlining the final university placements for DC students. This year's university placements show the UK remains the most popular choice of higher education destination among DC students. There is an increase in interest in interdisciplinary degrees. University offers included those from prestigious universities in the UK and USA. Brian McCann presented a detailed breakdown of the 2019 IBDP results. This year's results are the highest yet achieved by any cohort. One student, Adrian Yan, achieved a perfect score of 45 points, becoming the third student in DC history to do so. The DC mean point score of 35.6, which is well above the 2018 world average of 29.8, continues to show a general upward trend. The mean core points (for Extended Essay and TOK) has been the highest across all ESF schools in the last 3 years.

1. Finance and Property sub-committee

The P&L accounts to 31 July 2019 were approved.

2. Staff Wellbeing sub-committee

DC to attend 3 recruitment fairs for 2019-20:

- Search Associates Bangkok Job Fair (10-13 January 2020)
- Search Associates London Job Fair (17-20 January 2020)
- Search Associates San Francisco Job Fair (7-10 February 2020)

Staff & Family BBQ

The Staff & Family BBQ will be held on 18 October 2019 at 5pm in Pui O Beach.

3. Principal's Report

James Smith thanked the Staff Wellbeing Subcommittee for their role in providing the Welcome Bags for new teaching staff.

The School Council approved the revised meeting dates for 2019-20:

- Tuesday 12 November 2019
- Wednesday 22 January 2020
- Tuesday 17 March 2020
- Tuesday 9 June 2020

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The School Council thanked Jason Edwards and Maggie Hinch who have finished their second term of the Council for their committed service over the past 6 years, and Susie Morley and Amy Freed, who have completed their respective terms, for their contributions.