



Summary Report of the Discovery College School Council

Tuesday 1 November 2022

Present: Vivian Cheung, James Smith, Kris Stanhope, Mamta Mukherjee, Kevin Rydeard, Livia Tang, Ying Huang, Karen Kwan, Pushkar Sane, Eric Lee

In attendance: Alice Cheng (Business Manager), Karen Shum (PA to Principal)

Apologies: Henry Wong

The School Council welcomed Ying Hwang as a newly elected parent representative.

1. ESF CFO update

Three new parent representatives were elected to the ESF Board in November

2. Finance and Property sub-committee

The P&L accounts as at 31 August 2022 were approved.

The School Council also approved the following.

- Finance and Property Subcommittee Terms of Reference
- The updated Emergency Evacuation Policy & Procedures

3. Student Wellbeing sub-committee

The Principal updated the council around DC's work and challenges on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) which covers these areas:

- Students dress code
- Gender diversity
- Anti-racism
- Organizational support for Pride
- Linguistic diversity

Three students shared positive feedback on student agency with regard to the opportunity to design/implement one of the days of the experience in the upcoming No Boundaries programme.

The subcommittee reviewed and approved its Terms of Reference.

4. Staff Wellbeing sub-committee

A tendency is noted that the recruitment cycle for middle and senior leadership is drifting earlier in the season across the international sector. Adverts will be placed for staff leavers to ensure the College is fully staffed for next academic year.

Information was presented to council members about this year's evaluation of the New Teacher Onboarding process, and how DC's new cohort of teachers are settling into their new roles.

5. Principal's Report

There is a good picture for admissions as enrollment numbers are above projections.

Two parents events were held in October which provided opportunities to build connections with new and prospective parents. Both events were a great success.

At its annual general meeting at the end of October, the PTA voted to de-register the limited company and now enters a phase of applying for transitioning to a society. With this transition, the PTA will



move towards a role based on fostering community connections and parent engagement.

The EDB recently announced new thresholds governing the circumstances in which different eating space arrangements can be adopted by schools. By meeting the vaccination thresholds in two phases commencing 1 December 2022 and 1 February 2023, some students will be allowed to eat in classrooms and more students can participate in co-curricular activities.

Asia Adventure Sports Limited was appointed as EOTC service provider for *No Boundaries 2022*.

6. Any Other Business

None.