

Summary Report of the Discovery College School Council Tuesday 4 June 2024

Present: Henry Wong, James Smith, Kris Stanhope, Mamta Mukherjee, Pushkar Sane, Jasmin Mehta, Livia Tang, Victor Ma, Rob Shorthouse (deputizing for Vivian Cheung)

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

Apologies: Jonathan Simpson, Ying Huang, Eric Lee, Vivian Cheung

1. Finance and Property sub-committee

The P&L accounts as of 31 March 2024 were approved.

The College will continue to adopt a hybrid working model for Communications, with both insourcing and outsourcing of communication functions to gain more agility while maintaining a neutral effect on the budget.

The status of current tender processes was updated and shared with the Council.

The following tenders have been approved by the Council:

- The purchase of 50 new MacBook Air laptops from Senco-Masslink
- The tender waiver and payment for GL Assessment for 2024/25
- The appointment of Eagle Trend Limited as the tender consultant for Discovery College Canopy Strategic Review

2. Student Wellbeing sub-committee

The predicted mean grade for the forthcoming IB Diploma graduating class of Discovery College stays well above the world average. This cohort achieved great academic improvement with the support of effective intervention strategies.

The Learning Diversity Team (LDT) presented an overview of the learning diversity programme and an update on the Unlock programme, both of which demonstrate DC's commitment to inclusion.

3. Staff Wellbeing sub-committee

The new structure of the Middle Leadership in Primary will be in place for the 2025-26 academic year to align with the coherent leadership approach across the whole college.

The College is assessing the viability of creating an intensive English support programme for Year 1, contingent on 2025 admissions data.

4. Principal's Report

A continuum of strategies ranging from marketing and parent/community connection to language support are being implemented as an ongoing effort to support enrolment.

The College has updated parents of bus users with details of recent review. Joint action-planning with the bus company was held to explore ways to enhance safety and services.

The Council farewelled Kris Stanhope and expressed sincere appreciation for his service to the



Council and the College.

The Academic Integrity Policy has recently been reviewed and ratified with some key changes.

5. Any Other Business

None.