



## **Summary Report of the Discovery College School Council**

**Tuesday 9 June 2020**

**Present:** Simon Wong, Belinda Greer, James Smith, Kitty Cheng, Kris Stanhope, Mamta Mukherjee, Andrew Miller, Chris Geary, Susie Morley, Pushkar Sane, Jennifer Ho, Kevin Rydeard

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

**Apologies:** None

### **1. Finance and Property sub-committee**

The full year P&L accounts as at 30 April 2020 were approved.

The School Council approved the appointment of Index Group for the inspection and repair of the canopy.

The appointment of JEC to replace the Air Con was also approved.

### **2. Student Wellbeing sub-committee**

Students were eager to be back in school after class resumption and were helped to learn about health and safety over the first few days.

With the cancellation of DP exams for Year 13 this year, the arrangements for awarding final grades for DP and CP students will be different than in previous years but DC has made every effort to support students and secure valid and appropriate outcomes. There will be staff standing by this summer in case additional work is required to help advocate for students in light of the IBO's final assessment decisions and other factors.

### **3. Staff Wellbeing sub-committee**

There has been one additional final recruitment since the last meeting and Teachers Recruitment for 2020-21 is completed with all teaching positions filled. The overall teaching staff retention rate for this year is 86% which is high by comparison to other international schools.

Provisions have been put in place to support newly arrived teachers who are subject to quarantine in their hotel.

The subcommittee has approved the creation of an EAL teacher post and an EAL Educational Assistant post to facilitate the EAL Admissions Pathway initiative for 2020-21.

### **4. Principal's Report**

Enrollment numbers for 2020-21 have held up well in light of the exceptional circumstances of this year.

The support from the parent community on the class resumption has been very positive. James Smith thanked the staff for their team effort, and ESF colleagues as well as School Council members who provided their ongoing support in getting the school ready for class resumption.

The School Council approved the meeting dates for the 2020-21 academic year.

### **5. Any Other Business**

None