Minutes of 3rd RCHK Council Meeting 2016 / 2017 4 pm on Thursday 5 January 2017

Present:

Chairman Anne Choi (AC)
Principal Harry Brown (HB)
ESF Representative Belinda Greer (BG)
Community Representative Yat Kin Sin (YK)
Parent Representative Kathleen Ahrens (KA)
Parent Representative Eric Wong (LEW)
Parent Representative Jack Ng (JN)

Staff Representative Lesley Harrison (LH)
Staff Representative Concettina Ventura (CV)

Secretary Lucia Lam (LL)

Apologies:

Community Representative Allan Li (AL)
Community Representative Shirley Ma (SM)
Staff Representative Katherine Evans (KE)

In attendance:

Business Manager Samuel Hureau (SH)
Vice Principal – Primary Jason Doucette (JD)
Head of Primary Jamie Schmitz (JS)

1. Welcome

AC welcomed Council members and wished everyone Happy New Year.

2. Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes were approved.

3. Matters Arising

3.1. Para 4 Primary Block Extension additional financing – none received.

4. Primary Block Extension Update

covered in HB's report.

5. Principal's Report

HB spoke to his report which was previously circulated, which included staffing, enrolment, premises.

Student Achievement – JD and JS spoke to their report (attached) on primary standardized test results, including PIPs for Primary 1, InCAS for Primary 3 and ISA for Primary 4 and 6.

KA raised the issue of gender on mathematics in the ISA data. She wished to know to what extent is this a priority for the College, whether there is a concerted effort and who is in charge. Extensive discussion ensued on possible factors at home (e.g. private tuition) as well as school which impact on girls' attitudes towards maths & science, and not just in Hong Kong, as well as on the challenge of how to interpret and respond to the data. HB concluded that the broad issue of gender and STEM education continues to be on the College's radar.

Council approved the action item on the two year extension of a member of the support staff's (Nelson Lam) contract, from 2017 - 2019.

Business Manager's report – SH spoke to his report previously circulated.

6. Committee Reports

None.

7. ESF School Council Report

None

- 8. AOB None
- 9. Date of Next Meeting 16th March 2017

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm