

#### WA YING COLLEGE

#### General Assembly

### Meeting Minutes of the First Student-Teacher Council

Date: 27 January 2022 Time: 16:33-18:05

Venue: Zoom

Present:

Name Position
Dr. Wun Chi Wa Principal

Ms. Cheuk Fai Vice-principal
Mr. Yeung Wing Sun Vice-principal
Ms. Kong Pui Yue Assistant principal
Mr. Yung Chi Ho Assistant principal

Mr. Lai Chor Yin Teacher

Kwong Lai Tung Chairperson of General Assembly

Representative of Executive member,

Chiu Tung Tung
Student Union

Lam On Ching Representative of Four Houses
Mui Cheuk Hang Representative of Four Houses
Wong Ho Wang Representative of Prefects' Board

Pun Cheuk Hang Representative of SCF

Bai Sharon Form Representative (Junior)
Pan Ching Man Form Representative (Junior)
Shum Ka Ying Form Representative (Senior)

Secretary: Ho Natalie

#### 1 Opening Exercise

#### 1.1 Meeting Called to Order

Kwong Lai Tung called the meeting to order at 16:33.

#### 1.2 Recognition of Guests

Kwong Lai Tung introduced the guests and the representatives.

# 2 Adoption of Agenda

The agenda was adopted at 16:35.

# 3 Discussion

# **3.1** Message Delivery Service (*Ref. GA21-05*)

Background and	Kwong Lai Tung:
opinions	Background:
reflected in	Some students are concerned about causing inconvenience on message
Student Council	delivering service in the staff room, and classmates are always standing
	outside, which causes blocking outside.
	<ul> <li>Opinions: <ul> <li>The current online teaching mode would decrease the urgency of this issue</li> <li>The aera outside office is sometimes blocked</li> <li>Helpers may now find difficulty in giving the notice back to students if the teachers are not in their seats</li> <li>Possible solution: having a light bulb on every teacher's desk and would be turned on when students would like to see that teacher</li> <li>Possible solution: having a monitor displaying names of students who would like to see teachers</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Response from	Dr. Wun:
School	- Concerned about the feasibility of the first system
	- [Regarding the "monitor system"] this could be discussed in A.O.B. session or next meeting
	Mr. Yung:
	- Initially the School would like to adopt a new "phone calling system" in the new campus
	- The system could be modified so that it would be more humanized,
	rather than just "informing" teachers with a light bulb
	Ms. Cheuk:
	- Helpers can be reminded to collect notices in hall rather than the area
	outside office

### **3.2** Online Broadcast and Assembly (*Ref. GA21-12*)

<b>Online Broadcast</b>	and Assembly (Ref. GA21-12)
Background and	Kwong Lai Tung:
opinions	Background:
reflected in	Students suggested that going to the covered playground for online
Student Council	broadcasts is too tiring and unnecessary as it doesn't make a difference to
	watch in their classrooms.
	Also, the Wi-Fi network in the covered playground is so poor that students
	often get disconnected and it takes a long time to fix, students may easily
	miss important information.
	Opinions:
	- The current online teaching mode would decrease the urgency of this
	issue
	- The aera outside office is sometimes blocked
	- Helpers may now find difficulty in giving the notice back to students if
	the teachers are not in their seats
	- Possible solution: having a light bulb on every teacher's desk and would
	be turned on when students would like to see that teacher
Response from	Dr. Wun:
School	- There would be follow-up regarding the network connection problem
	Mr. Yung:
	- School had tested YouTube live and found out that the live streaming
	latency is so much higher than that of Zoom as the signals are sent to the
	server and then come back to computers in School. Also, this would
	bring stress on the broadband.
	- The advantage of Zoom as streaming app is the very low latency
	- Another method is adopted this month: teachers do not need to login, and
	thus decrease the processing time
	Ms. Kong:
	- Online streaming is a must due to pandemic
	- Watching live streaming in covered playground could reduce the burden
	on network system, also it is easier to provide supports

# **3.3** Timetable (*Ref. GA21-13*)

Background and	Kwong Lai Tung:
opinions	Background:
reflected in	School is now collecting students' opinion over the issue. Please refer to
Student Council	related document (Questionnaire Report) for more information.

#### Opinions:

- The current online teaching mode would decrease the urgency of this issue
- The aera outside office is sometimes blocked
- Helpers may now find difficulty in giving the notice back to students if the teachers are not in their seats
- Possible solution: having a light bulb on every teacher's desk and would be turned on when students would like to see that teacher

# Response from School

#### Dr. Wun:

- It is hard to have different timetables for different forms
- School would consider students' opinions not only based on the votes, but also try to suit students with other needs
- Some discussion had been made to balance students studying different subjects. Some concerns are understood.
- The idea of having double lessons in the morning for some subjects only may be discussed later

## Mr. Yeung:

- According to the questionnaire report, both teachers and students prefer the "5+2/3" timetable more
- Both Science teachers and students are aware of that science lessons may need more time for doing experiments, therefore the SDL period would be changed from 2 lessons to 3 lessons.
- Double lessons in the morning (100 minutes) may be too long for humanity classes

# 3.4 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Hoodies (Ref. GA-01(1))

Background and	Kwong Lai Tung:
opinions	Background:
reflected in	Our school has designed a hoodie as the souvenir for the 50th anniversary of
Student Council	school which is allowed to be worn on PE lessons or any special event as a
	PE uniform. However, students are not allowed to wear the hoodie as a
	jacket or a daily uniform.
	Opinions:  - Hoodies may affect the consistency of school uniform - Hoodies are warmer
Response from	Mr. Yung:
School	- This issue had been discussed with Discipline Committee teachers

- Wearing hoodies may result in teachers cannot identify if that student is wearing school uniform as hoodie covers most of the uniform

### Dr. Wun:

- Hoodies are more casual comparing with school uniforms
- It would be left to discussion in the Student Affairs Joint Meeting for the balance between being casual and formal.

## 3.5 Socks with Brand Logos (Ref. GA20-02(5))

Background and	Kwong Lai Tung:
opinions	Background:
reflected in	Sports team reflected that wearing white socks stipulated by school is
Student Council	uncomfortable and inconvenient. As the white socks stipulated by school are
	not easy to buy, it will cause inconvenience when students are trying to buy
	them. Also, the possibility of students getting injured will be increased as
	those socks which are not fully made by wool, are not wearable and
	comfortable when doing sports.
	Opinions:
	- A comparative atmosphere may be brought to school
	- Socks sold by sports brands are more protective when doing sports due
	to their thickness and materials
Response from	Mr. Yung:
School	- It is possible to buy thick, white socks without logos
	- Students may bring an extra pair of thick, protective socks to put on
	when they have trainings if they could not purchase the socks mentioned
	- Trainings require equipment, then it is not difficult for students to bring
	along with one more pair of socks.
	Ms. Cheuk:
	- Students are allowed to wear socks with brand logo when they are doing
	trainings, while they should wear white socks when they are in school
	uniforms.
Further response	Lam On Ching:
from student	- Usually, white socks are with brand logo on them, e.g., Nike
representatives	- Under the current pandemic, students would not change from school
	uniforms to PE uniforms just before they have PE lessons, so, are
	students allowed to wear thinker, more protective socks with brand logos

	only in PE lessons, or whenever they are wearing PE uniforms?
	<ul> <li>Mui Cheuk Hang:</li> <li>The difference between single-coloured socks and socks with only a small brand logo on them is not significant, so the consistency would be kept</li> </ul>
Follow-up	- Mr. Yung would talk with PE teachers to see if it is necessary to wear sports socks in PE lessons, considering the lesson contents.

## **3.6 BYOD** (*Ref. GA20-07*)

<b>BYOD</b> (Ref. GA20-07)		
Background and	Kwong Lai Tung:	
opinions	Background:	
reflected in	BYOD has been implemented for half a year, more than 300 students have	
Student Council	participated in the school's BYOD scheme and used iPads in classes at	
	school.	
	The school have adopted some changes to the BYOD regulations.	
	Opinions:	
	- The improper uses of iPad are noticed, e.g., students may play games in campus	
	- The all-day limitation on entertainment decreases the value of iPad	
	- Some difficulties brought by MDM are concerned, e.g., the updates and	
	uninstallations of software	
Response from	Mr. Yung:	
School	- Students could go to Room 106 with their iPad to install apps with the	
	help of IT staff, while games or any apps that makes the order difficult to maintain	
	- For the solution under current pandemic, it would be informed later.	
	- Regarding the time limit, the restriction in Wa Ying has already been	
	loose, without monitoring but only with restriction on entertainment.	
	Also, there is only limitation on apps but no other aspects.	
	- Smartphones can be used for entertainment, students do not need iPads,	
	which are learning-oriented, for entertainment.	
	- Students could approach to IT staff for uninstalling apps. For some	
	massive number of deletions, e.g., English Builder (EB), grouping of	
	junior or senior students could be discussed for the possibility.	
Further response	Mui Cheuk Hang:	
from student	- Is it possible to allow students to update apps on their own, without the	
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representatives	aid of IT staff, but still, with restriction on App Store, as some apps, e.g., GoodNotes, are updated frequently?
Follow-up	- Mr. Yung would tell IT staff to check the permissions to see if Mui Cheuk Hang's advice is possible. Also, before this problem is solved, Mr. Yung would remind IT staff to check the updates regularly. More, the grouping of junior or senior students could be discussed.

# 3.7 Girls' Winter Uniform (Ref. GA20-02(2))

Background and	Kwong Lai Tung:
opinions	Background:
reflected in	The current winter skirts have one-sided pocket, which may bring
Student Council	inconvenience for students to put their stuffs in, e.g., the temporary
	placement of wallet
	Opinions:  - One more pocket could be added
Response from	Ms. Cheuk:
School	- The design of skirts now is better than the one before which has no
	pockets
	- Can talk to uniform supplier about the size or opening of pockets
	Dr. Wun:
	- This issue could be discussed later in the Student Affairs Joint Meeting.

# 3.8 Going Upstairs Earlier than 07:30 (Ref. GA21-18)

Background and	Kwong Lai Tung:
opinions	Background:
reflected in	Students could only go upstairs after 07:30.
Student Council	Opinions:  - Students are allowed to go upstairs in exam period  - Many students may gather in the self-study room before 07:30
Response from	Ms. Cheuk:
School	<ul> <li>The reason of allowing students to enter the campus before 07:30 is that the school understand some students may come to school earlier considering the traffic, and those students would have to wait outside.</li> <li>Office and janitors start their job at 07:15, if students are allowed to go upstairs earlier, they are not taken care. As class monitors or monitresses</li> </ul>

may not come to school as early as 07:15, the crowd without adults may
cause some incidents.

# 3.9 Recent Renovation in Campus

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Background	Dr. Wun:	
	- The area on 1/F and 2/F have been renovated recently	
	- The self-study room would be renovated to a new gym room	
	- The room near the boards of Four Houses would be torn down and	
	replaced by a new "coffee corner"	
	- To be discussed by students:	
	- What to put in the areas on 1/F and 2/F	
	- Aim: to provide more space with seats for discussion	
	- Tables and chairs, and artificial trees for 2/F are bought	
	- 1/F would be the venue for some sharing session	
	- What to be included in coffee corner	
	Chiu Tung Tung:	
	- Showed the current design of coffee corner	
	- Reported that the chairperson of 3.7 Expresso had responded that	
	refrigerator and sink are needed, or in other words, electricity and water	
	supply	

Questions/ concerns:		
Q1.	<ul> <li>Mr. Lai: <ul> <li>The chairperson of 3.7 Expresso reflected that dish washing was inconvenient before, they could only wash equipment or cups with water fountain or in washrooms. Also, storage space is needed to store the machine, beans, milk, and cups.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Q2.	Kwong Lai Tung:  - Wondered if there would be other students' needs could be solved with this area	
Q3.	Lam On Ching: - Concerned if all the four boards would be torn down.	
Q4.	<ul> <li>Kwong Lai Tung:</li> <li>For the collection of opinions, Student Union and General Assembly could work together just as we did before.</li> <li>With Instagram, opinions could be collected casually, while more</li> </ul>	

	detailed opinions could be collected with the questionnaire
Q5.	Kwong Lai Tung:
	<ul> <li>Worried that rainwater may affect the maintenance of table if the area would be completely in the open</li> <li>Asked if there would be parasols for the tables and chairs placed on 1/F and 2/F</li> </ul>

Responses:	
Re: Q. 1	Chiu Tung Tung:  - There is a cabinet for storage in the design  There are 6 seats available near the bar and 2 sets of tables and chairs. There would be total of 10 seats available inside the coffee corner. According to 3.7 Expresso, they would have 2-3 students on duty at one time, so they could handle this workload.
Re: Q. 2	<ul> <li>Dr. Wun: <ul> <li>According to the result of timetable survey, many students have different needs, including space for PE exercises, more seats in campus, etc. This "café" mode could provide students with more tables and chairs, more space to chitchat or have discussion on their projects.</li> <li>The conceptual design is done, and students' opinions are collected to see if students would like to have anything added to the coffee corner. While collecting opinions from the ground would be difficult to organize the ideas, rather, other issues could be solved or discussed not on this topic.</li> <li>Students' opinions could be collected on the Instagram page of Renata, the Student Union cabinet of this academic year, or with other method. Boards of Four Houses would also be torn down. A suggestion made was the photos of Four Houses could be clipped on the wall of coffee corner.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Re: Q. 3	Dr. Wun: All the four boards would be torn down. While there is a non-fixed cupboard which serves as screen and cupboard at the same time. Materials of Four Houses could be put on the back of the cupboard.
Re: Q. 4	Chiu Tung Tung:  - Inclined to collect students' opinions with more simple ones, rather than detailed  - Agreed it is better to collect the opinions through more than one platform.

Re: Q.5	Dr. Wun:
	- For 1/F: it is possible as the ordered tables are with holes to put parasols
	- Parasols may affect the sharing sessions
	- For 2/F: artificial trees are available

## 4 Date, Time, and Venue of Next Meeting

The date, time and venue of next meeting would be confirmed later.

## 5 Adjournment

Kwong Lai Tung, Chairperson of General Assembly, announced that the meeting was adjourned on 27 January 2022 at 18:05.

Ho Natalie Secretary of General Assembly 24 February 2022