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Report on the 29th April 2015 Island School Council meeting

Change in Council membership

The Council welcomed Michelle Wong (Head Girl) & Ravi Mulchandani (Head Boy) attending their first meeting. It also thanked Helen Evans who was attending her last Council meeting before leaving Island School at the end of the academic year.

Director of Advancement

Terri Appel, ESF's newly appointed Director Advancement, attended the start of the meeting to explain the role she will play in helping Island School connect with its Alumnae and the Business Community.

Points noted from Committee and Principal reports:

1. **General.** The school has had a great number of events including the 'Retro' music show, a Fashion Show which raised \$28,989, BTEC Exhibition, Year 11 Exhibition, IT conference and a Chinese conference.
2. **Island School redevelopment.** Thomas Chou, the Architects who are designing the new Island School have won the ESF tender for planning Island School's summer 2017 decant. Council is seeking clarification from ESF Centre on the likely timing of the Decant.
3. **Year 11:** Many Council members spent time on 20th April listening to individual Year 11 students presenting on their Island Futures experience. There were many impressive performances validating the curriculum as an excellent preparation for the International Baccalaureate (IB). A further innovation this year is Year 11 students spending time, in late May and in June, after their GCSE exams to build on this work in preparation for starting IB next year and researching Higher Education choices.
4. **Higher Education guidance:** Another positive development has been increased experience sharing with other ESF schools on Higher Education counselling. In particular for applications to the USA where there is a great diversity of college requirements.

J Robert Gibson; Island School Council Chair