

IB PARENT ASSOCIATION (IBPA) MEETING MINUTES – October 8, 2015

I. Introductions/Welcome - Meeting called to order at 6:35pm by Board President, Aaron Santry
Meeting attendees: Aaron Santry, Tia Owens, Suzanne Laycock, Deborah Smith, Kim Curry, Carlos Wriedt, Maria Mason, Arti Gupta, Steven Shook, Bob Boss, Viek Karmakar, Cheryl Allen, Huong Hunyh, Marion Khan

I. Proposals/Requests for Funding

IB Adviser Committee (\$130 for fall semester) – Two IB students, Armaan Ahmen & Andres Leland, proposed a student mentorship club to lower the attrition rate for IB lower classmen. Both students made a presentation on their vision for the club. The amount requested is to be used for food incentive to entice lower classmen to attend mentorship meetings. Tia Owens motioned to approve the proposal. The proposal was unanimously approved.

II. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from September 2015 meeting were presented. Motion to approve as written was made by Kim Curry. Carlos Wriedt seconded. The minutes were approved.

III. Treasurer's Report

Joe Camenzind was absent. No report was presented.

IV. IB Coordinator's Report

Steve Shook reported that USD259 has covered IB exam fees for free/reduced lunch students in the past. The district's contribution has been a great help every year to 30-40 families in the IB program. But, the state allotment to cover these IB fees is no longer a given. The Kansas Dept of Education allots money to cover AP and IB exam fees. They have not confirmed they will cover IB test fees in the future. AP test fees are covered. Aaron Santry will investigate the preparation of a letter from the IBPA to Kent Reed at the Kansas DOE about this issue.

V. New Business

- 1) Teacher of the Year proposal – email Deborah Smith if you have any ideas about this idea
- 2) IBPA evening meetings – give feedback to Aaron Santry, IBPA President, if it's helpful to have more, less or the same amount, & other things that could draw more parents to meetings (specific topics of discussion, etc.)

VI. Old Business/Upcoming Events

Oct 29 Junior Speaker, Wayne Bryan of Music Theatre of Wichita, 11:15a-12:30pm in Music Room
Nov 12 IBPA Meeting, 1pm
Nov 19 Freshman Speaker, Coach Kemnitz, WSU
Dec 3 Senior Speaker, Steve Dickie
Dec 10 IBPA Meeting, 1pm
Mar 3 Sophomore Speaker, Dr. Owens

VII. Adjourn

Aaron Santry adjourned the meeting at 7:25pm.

Minutes submitted by Board Secretary, Suzanne Laycock