IB Parent Association: Minutes from December 11, 2014

I. Welcome/Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Bob Leake, at 1:03pm.

Meeting Attendees: Bob Leake, Joe Camenzind, Jane Camenzind, Sue Tirukonda, Nalini Gangadhar, Bharathi Ramanan, Rachel Owens, Aaron Santry, Janane Zayat, Gwen Duggins, Deborah Smith, Frieda Same, Patresa Ebersole, Maria Mason and Suzanne Laycock.

II. Approval of Minutes

November 13th minutes approved by Rachel Owens and seconded by Joe Canenzind.

III. Treasurer's Report

Joe Camenzind reviewed Income and Expenses. He has received a couple of medium sized checks. No changes in the trend.

Bob Leake made a motion to accept treasurer's report.

IV. IB Coordinator's Report

Mr. Shook was in Florida. No report.

Town Hall meeting replaced Site Council Meeting. Approximately 36 parents attended the meeting. Need to promote it better.

V. Proposals/Request for Funding

1. IB Junior was in need of assistance with IB exam fees. The request was to get half the funding for \$380 fees. IBPA approved \$190 of funding for IB testing.

Rachel Owens made a motion to accept, Sue Tirukonda seconded, and all members were in favor.

VI. Old Business

Gwen Duggins resumed her Board position. She will start teaching next year. The Board agreed to keep Mrs. Duggins although Mrs. Zayat was available to fill in.

VII. New Business

1. CAS Microfunding by IBPA

Mr. Shook was impressed by Marisa Zayat's CAS project. Mrs. Zayat approximated her profit around \$200. Upon Mrs. Zayat and Mr. Shook's request/interest to fund future CAS projects, a committee was formed to explore the idea.

Rachel Owens accepted to form a committee, write guidelines and establish criteria for a candidate to make a formal presentation to the Board. IBPA will review the guidelines in today's meeting.

Rachel Owens, Suparna Tirukonda, Bharathi Ramanan, Aaron Santry, Bob Leake and Janane Zayat are on this project's committee.

VIII. Upcoming Events

- 1. IBPA Meeting Thursday, February 12th @ 6:30-7:30pm in the South Library
- 2. Town Hall Meeting on April 8th at 5:45pm. It is open to all parents.
- 3. Newsletter Deadline is on Jan. 15th. All articles must be sent to Deborah Smith.
- 4. IBPA Speaker Series for Seniors by Howard Graham, Asst. KU Associate Director for Academic Programs Friday, January 16th @ 11:45am in Drama Room.

Sue Tirukonda made a recommendation to ask Howard Graham to change his presentation since our seniors have already heard him speak last year. The Board brainstormed ideas on seeking IB alumni that are home for winter break to share their experiences. The Board wanted Mr. Shook and Mrs. Fry to seek out the alumns.

- 5. Mrs. Zayat recommended having a forum to educate parents as their students get ready for college. Talk to Mr. Shook about adding a parent panel along with the student panel during "College Night" for Junior and Sophomore parents.
- 6. Aaron Santry's Science Academy could use 4 students to help build rocket kits for his classes. Aaron's class will launch about 200 rockets a month.

IX. Adjourn

Bob Leake adjourned the meeting at 1:43pm. The board had fun packaging Nifty Nut House treat bags for staff.