

IB Parent Association

Minutes from Sept 12, 2013

Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 1:00PM by Board President, Aaron Santry.

Board Members present were: Aaron Santry, Bob Leake, Joe Camenzind, Dyana Diffin, Melanie Jenney, Jamie Noakes, Deborah Smith, Rachel Owens, Gwen Duggins, Lily Jin, Dawn Monroe and Steven Shook

Absent: Sue Abdinnour and Sue Tirukonda

Visitors: Barbara Giorgi and Stacey Pogue

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the April IBPA Board Meetings were reviewed. It was moved (by Joe) and seconded (Jamie) to accept the minutes. All voted to accept the minutes.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was presented by Joe Camenzind.

- Spread Sheet to close out 2012-2013 school year was presented. It made adjustments to end of year expenses:
 - Sr. recognition expenses were below projections: only \$172.13 of \$350.00 allocation.
 - Newsletter expenses of 110.00 were deducted. Although actual expenses are not yet available.
 - Starting balance for the 2013-2014 academic year is approximately \$2731.67
- Spread Sheet for current 2013-2014 year was also presented.
 - It shows actual parent donations and donation from Wiebe Law in the amount of \$2518.62
 - Projected Expenses which have been approved by the board total \$1330.00
 - This leaves a projected current cash balance of 3920.29
 - The spread sheet also takes into consideration projected income and expenses based on previous years. This leaves an projected end of year balance of \$322.67

Melanie moved to accept the treasurer's report, and Deborah seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the board.

IB Coordinator Report

- Mr. Shook will be presenting the testing schedule to the seniors, which he predicts will cause requests for scholarships to start coming in.
- Applications for the 2014-2015 incoming freshman will soon be underway.
 - Informational meetings will be hosted at Wilbur, Coleman, Horace Mann and Gordon Parks Middle Schools and East High School.

- Information will also be distributed at the District Counselors meeting in October in order to get the counselors to pass the information along to their students.
- Last year 180 students applied. The goal is to have about 225 applicants this year.
- The Annual Group IV project will be taking place soon. The IB students collect data from to locations along the Arkansas River (Lincoln Street Bridge and SE Blvd.) This activity is part of the IB requirement for the Sciences: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Computer Science.

Teacher Requests/Scholarships

- Crystal Pilcher-requested membership to two psychology databases. Total amount of request is \$249.00
 - This is a resource not available in the library
 - Has been funded by IBPA for past several years

Melanie moved to fund request, and Lily seconded the motion which was approved by the board.

New Business

- An IBPA *Paypal* account has been set up by Aaron and Joe. The link to it is available on the district website as well as a *blogspot* website <http://eastibpa.blogspot.com/>
 - An email database has been started and the link will be included in an online PDF version of the newsletter.
 - There was discussion about purchasing a “square”. A parent showed the board what this device looks like. It attaches to a smart phone and can be used for taking electronic donations at events such as open house, freshman orientation, etc.
- Newsletter will be published in October
 - Possible articles and topics included:
 - Aaron-Speaker Series, Thank you to freshman parents for desserts, Matching Donation information (contact Sue), Donor List (on Google Drive), Big Do, Tax Information for deduction, Articles from Ms. Hutton and Mrs. White
- Speaker Series for Freshman
 - Will be held on September 26 with Brett Kemnitz as motivational speaker.
 - Students will dismiss around 11:35 to basement. Pizza will be served
- Topics for other classes
 - Seniors-Student Life at college
 - Juniors-Career Choices-presentation by former East IB Students
 - Sophomores-Student Advocacy

Old Business

- Feedback for Mr. Ortiz and Summer Reading Workshop was very positive.

- Open House collected \$795.00 in parent donations.
- Social Media
 - Aaron has established a twitter account
 - Sue Tirukonda manages IBPA facebook account

Upcoming Event/ Ideas

- Freshman Speaker Series will be Thursday, Sept. 26th @ 11:45. Aaron and Lily are the chairpersons, but please come if you can help.
- The next IBPA meeting will be held on Thursday, October 17, 2013 instead of Oct. 10 when school is not in session.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:12PM

Respectfully submitted,

Dyana Diffin, IBPA Secretary