

## **IB Parent Association**

Minutes from January 9, 2014

### **Welcome**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00PM by Board Vice-President, Bob Leake

Board Members present were: Bob Leake, Joe Camenzind, Dyana Diffin, Melanie Jenney, Jamie Noakes, Deborah Smith, Rachel Owens, Lily Jin, Sue Abdinnour, and Steven Shook

Absent: Aaron Santry, Sue Tirukonda, Gwen Duggins

Bob welcomed board members, and announced the name of our newly selected at-large member, Ria Farmer. She was unable to attend today's meeting but will be assuming the seat vacated by Dawn Monroe.

### **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the December IBPA Board Meetings were reviewed. The location of the Freddy's fundraiser on February 12, 2014 needs to be changed to the North Rock location. It was moved (by Joe) and seconded (Melanie) to accept the amended minutes. All voted to approve the minutes.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The treasurer's report was presented by Joe Camenzind.

- Best estimate of cash balance is \$2692.82 (was updated with final printing costs for Fall Newsletter)
- Actual expenses to date \$1222.34; Projected expenses \$110.00; and Approved \$717.50 total = \$2049.84
- Actual income to date \$4026.53; Projected income \$400.00 total = \$4426.53
- This leaves a cash balance of \$5069.51
- Future budgeted expenses total \$5383.96 (includes teacher luncheon \$1200 and project graduation \$500 which have not yet been approved)
- Projected parent donations \$1109.63 (based on data from prior years)
- Projected End of Year Balance = \$795.18

It was moved by Rachel and seconded by Sue Abdinnour to accept the treasury report. It was unanimously approved by the board.

### **IB Coordinator Report**

- Mr. Shook read a thank you note from Lindsey Hall for the Holiday Treat bag she received.
- Junior Speaker Series was a presentation made by three IB graduates: Tracia Banuelos, Shegufta Huma and Katie Deutsch. They presented "10 Tips for Navigating College" which was created along with guidance from Mrs. Fry. Highlights issues included: ways to use CAS and the Extended Essay to build your college resumé, how to network and develop contacts with college admissions officers, and the advantages and pitfalls of social media in the college search process.
- Ace Time was used yesterday for IB 2013 Grads to share with IB Seniors. Mr. Shook conducted the meeting and interviewed the students and then directed a Q&A between the grads and seniors. Topics discussed included: They talked about freshman experiences, gave advice for seniors this year and next year.
- The informational meeting for prospective IB which was held in December was attended by about 200 people (60 families). All meetings were highly attended this year as compared to prior year. Mr. Shook believes reaching out to Middle School Counselors in a face-to-face meeting has helped get the counselors involved recruiting prospective students.
- The Choices Fair will be held on Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>, and East HS will sponsor a booth there.

- Ms. Lisa Kellerby will formally introduce the current juniors to the Extended Essay requirements during TOK. This will take place shortly after spring break.

### **Teacher / Scholarship Requests**

- Mr. Shook presented a request for a student whose single parent recently became unemployed. The student qualifies for free/reduced so fee total is \$132.50. Requested amount is \$67.00
  - Rachel moved to fund the request. Deborah seconded the motion which was approved by the board.

### **New Business**

- Sophomore Speaker Series-Sue Tirukonda is checking into the possibility of getting a speaker from an organization called Next-Element. It is a consulting and leadership training business. She is interested in having them speak to the students about advocacy - the ability to stand up to peers and respectfully communicate with teachers, parents and anyone else in an authoritative role.
  - Joe Camezind volunteered to coordinate the event, and Dyana will organize the food.
  - Tentative date is April 10<sup>th</sup>
- Slate of Officers for the IBPA 2014-2015 will be presented at the IB College Night on February 12<sup>th</sup>
  - Three parents with graduating seniors will be leaving the Board: Melanie Jenney, Lily Jin, and Dyana Diffin
  - Bob Leake will be next year's president, but we need someone to assume the Vice-President (President Elect) role. Rachel will consider taking this position.
  - We also need a secretary and someone to assist Deborah with publishing the Newsletter.

### **Old Business**

- Feedback from Junior Speaker Series-Additional feedback: Sandwiches were purchased instead of pizza. The cost was \$50 less than pizza, but students complained the portions were too small. We will get larger sandwiches for the next event.

### **Upcoming Events**

- Freddy's IBPA Fundraiser will be February 12, 2014 from 5:00PM-9:00PM at Rock Rd location.
- Junior College IBPA Meeting/Board Presentation Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM
- Next IBPA Meeting will be Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM

### **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:08.

Respectfully submitted,

Dyana Diffin, IBPA Secretary