East High Parent's Association

Minutes from April 21, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 by Board President Deirdre O'Farrell.

Present: Elizabeth Wilkes, Mandy Jordan, Tammy Doyel, Dee Marsh, Mary Shepard, Cal Wiebe, Jay Voncannon, Nancy Hwang, Laura Kilgour, Deirdre O'Farrell, Betsy Redler, Will Klunder, Steve Shook, Nancy LeCompte, Aaron Santry.

Absent: Brent Anderson.

Visitors: Sue Tirukonda, Doreen Papadatos, Joe Camenzind.

Minutes from March 17, 2011 Meeting

The minutes from the March 17, 2011 IBPA Board Meeting were reviewed. Will Klunder moved to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded by Jay Voncannon and all voted in approval.

Treasurer's Report

Nancy LeCompte presented the Treasurer's Report. Our March donations totaled \$600 and our current balance is \$7,574.18. Nancy noted that our previously unfunded requests from September have been paid. Jay VonCannon moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Tammy Doyel and passed unanimously by the Board.

IB Coordinator's Report

Mr. Shook reported that there are no teachers leaving the IB Program this year by retirement or otherwise.

Mr. Shook also reported that the Federal funding for students receiving free and reduced lunch to pay for IB testing is closed. This grant has provided funds for the past 3 years. This year the grant provided \$8,600 in assistance. Prior to the federal grant the school district provided funds to these students. A new grant will be submitted for next year, but it does not specify funds for 'IB testing' and we are unsure how that will affect IB student's ability to receive support in the future.

Proposals/Requests for Funding

The Board received 3 Requests for Funding:

First, Jennifer Fry requested \$100 to supply treats (bagels, juice etc.) at a ceremony for IB juniors turning in their college folders. The idea is to make it a ceremony which will encourage the students to attend and turn in their college folders in a timely manner.

Secondly, Matt Gallagher requested \$132.30 + \$13.23 (shipping) for 135 Woodburn press booklets: 'How to Get Good Grades.' These booklets will be handed out to the incoming freshmen during freshmen orientation in August. The booklets provide a good list of practical techniques students can use to develop good study habits.

Lastly, Matt Gallagher requested \$135 to pay 75% of a student's summer PE fees. The student comes from a struggling and stressful home life where one parent is unemployed and the other parent is suffering early onset brain disorder. It was noted that Mr. Gallagher does a good job of researching individual requests before bringing them to the Board.

Will Klunder made a motion to approve all Proposals/Requests for Funding. The motion was seconded by Elizabeth Wilkes and approved unanimously by the Board.

A review of previously partially funded requests was completed by Board President, Deirde O'Farrell. It was found that no additional funds are necessary to those requests at this time.

There was discussion about the mission of the IBPA Board and where/how its funds can be used appropriately. An example of the struggles suffered by the Choi family was used as how can we best support them and other IB families who may experience tragedy. The mission statement of the IBPA is clear that it is to support the education of the students. The Board support needs to be within the IB program or school related. We can help students with testing fees or other equipment/supplies that assist the student with their education. If we decide in the future to provide further support to a family it would be best to start a new fund with a different mission to be clear to all who donate.

New Business

A sign-up sheet to help with Senior Recognition was sent around for volunteers to help with the event. Board President, Deirdre O'Farrell, recommended that the IBPA Board invest in reuseable plastic trays to be used at the Senior Recognition and the Faculty Luncheon in the Fall. The Co-Chairs for Senior Recognition are Deirdre O'Farrell, Tammy Doyel and Cal Wiebe. Anyone interested in helping with the event should contact one of them.

Mary Shepard reported that the next IBPA Newsletter will go out in May. Articles for the Newsletter include: College Listing for the Senior Class, The Summer Reading Assignments, New Officers for the IBPA Board and the New Graduation Requirements.

Old Business

The slate of officers which was discussed at our March meeting was presented as follows:

President Jay VonCannon

Vice President/President Elect Mandy Jordan

Treasurer Nancy LeCompte

Secretary Dyana Diffin

Freshman Representative (elected at Fall '11 Meeting)

Sophomore Representative Aaron Santry

Junior Representative Nancy Hwang

Senior Representative Cal Wiebe

At-Large Rep. Brent Anderson

At-Large Rep. Tammy Doyel

At-Large Rep. Sue Tirukonda

At-Large Rep. Joe Camenzind

Past President Deirdre O'Farrell

Will Klunder moved to accept the proposed slate of officers and to present it at the April 26th College Planning meeting. The motion was seconded by Betsy Redler and passed unanimously by the Board.

Upcoming Events and Ideas

April 26th – College Planning Meeting – new slate of officers to be presented

May 15th – Senior Recognition in East Auditorium (2pm)

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:08pm.

The next meeting of the IBPA Board will be May 12, 2011 at 1:00pm in room E321

Respectfully Submitted,

Mandy Jordan, IBPA Secretary