

## IB PARENT ASSOCIATION (IBPA) EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES – January 4, 2018

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- I. **Introductions/Welcome:** Meeting was called to order at 6:32pm by Carlos Wriedt, President. Meeting attendees: Steve Whisenhant, Grishma Ajmera, Suzanne Laycock, Tanya Flores, Maria Mason, Kristy Laufer Nelson, Patresa Ebersole, Steven Smith, Steven Shook (IB Coordinator). Guest: Deborah Smith
- II. **Approval of December Meeting Minutes:** Steve Whisenhant motioned to approve the December meeting minutes. Steve Smith seconded. The minutes were approved as presented.
- III. **Review of Treasurer’s Report:** Grishma Ajmera presented December’s report. Carlos Wriedt requested a column for monthly income expenses in addition to the cumulative annual one. He motioned to approve. Suzanne Laycock seconded.
- IV. **IB Coordinator’s Report**
- A) **Scholarship Request:** From an IB junior (qualifying for free/reduced) for 50% test registration fee of \$172. Parents are unemployed. Tanya Flores motioned to approve scholarship for entire amount of \$172. Steve Whisenhant seconded. The motion passed
- B) **2 Grant Requests :** **A.** From Julie Dunkelberger, IB Spanish (\$230) – For Spanish 3 novels and colored copy paper. Steven Smith motioned to approve. Maria Mason seconded. The request was approved. **B.** From Eric Crawford, IB Music & East High Orchestras (\$150) – To help pay for new speakers that would be used by IB Music students, orchestra and band. Additional funds are from the band & orchestra budget. Suzanne Laycock motioned to approve. Steve Whisenhant seconded. The request was approved.
- C) **Low attrition rate for PIB freshman after first semester.** For the first time, 100% of all PIB freshman remained in the program in the second semester of the year. Congratulations!
- D) **Teacher Retirement:** Melinda Sears (HL Math) announced she will retire at the end of the school year. Maria Cienas will continue teaching Math Studies and add HL Math. A vacancy in the Math Department will be posted.
- E) **IB Application Process:** Another information meeting is scheduled for January, followed by dates for student shadowing and testing through the month. Invitations will be sent by February 9.
- V. **IB Chemistry:** Arti Gupta brought up concern from students about this class not “running smoothly.” Mr. Shook addressed her concerns, explaining that teachers were trained this past summer on the new content. He believes the transition to the new curriculum is smoother than past transitions in other subjects.
- VI. **New Business:** Creation/reanimation of the IB Newsletter was discussed.
- VII. **Upcoming Events**
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| Thursday, March 1 @ 6:30pm | IBPA Meeting, Library                    |
| Thursday, April 5 @ 6:30pm | IBPA Meeting, Library                    |
| Thursday, May 3 @ 6:30pm   | IBPA Meeting, Library                    |
| Sunday, May 6, 2018 @ 2pm  | Senior Recognition, East High Auditorium |
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm. Minutes submitted by Board Secretary, Suzanne Laycock