

MINUTES OF THE EAST IBPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING — September 2, 2021

The meeting was held online via Zoom.

In attendance

Michael Boykins, IB coordinator

Jason Niblack, president

Anthony Au, treasurer

Tresa Ebersole, vice-president

Patricia Blessant, at-large representative

Justin Moore, at-large representative

Doreen Papadatos, at-large representative

Sueanna Budde, at-large representative

Candy Denk-Connolly, Class of '22 rep.

Sean Killingsworth, Class of '24 representative

Esau Freeman, co-freshman representative

Sara Ornelas, co-freshman representative

Tanya Flores, past president(2020-2021)

Mini Siddique, Class of '23 representative

Linlin Wang

Kamielle Freeman

Niblack called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Introductions were made.

Minutes: A motion (Flores/Freeman) to approve the August minutes was approved without opposition.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer Anthony Au shared our August 1 beginning balance was \$3684.58. We received 3 contributions (\$350) and had a debit of Square transaction fees (\$11.05) for an ending balance as of Sept. 2, 2021 of \$4023.53

Anthony clarified that the question bank that had been approved last school year to be paid from IB funds, was paid through another fund that was going to expire if not used.

Anthony was asked about the fee for Square and said he will look into it.

Thank you cards for the three donations will need to be sent out. Freeman/Budde - motion for \$25 to purchase stamps. Approved without opposition.

Moore/Siddique motion to accept Treasurer's report.

IB coordinator's report:

- Scholarship requests: none
- Teacher requests: Dr. Abuzeineh and Mr. McMinn: annual license for IB Biology question bank. Budde/Siddique motion to approve \$199.99. Approved without opposition.

IB Demographics (Information shared by Mr. Boykins)

- The updated East High IB Learner Profile is on the East High webpage (East high page - programs - IB - learner profile).
- IB test data from the May 2021 IB testing which included Junior and Senior students was shared. The teachers are shown this info and it is used to reflect on what is going well, where improvements need to be made, etc. TOK and EE scores were also shared.
- SRG (Standards Referenced Grading) will be integrated in all classes with IB and AP classes being last.
- There will be an enrollment meeting for parents which will cover CAS, EE, TOK, etc so parents can better understand the components of the IB program. Date TBD.
- IB Certificates:
 - East will begin offering IB certificates in addition to the IB diploma.
 - A la carte concept where students can choose the subjects in which they wish to pursue IB testing with a minimum of 2 tests and a max of 5. East has been an ‘all or nothing’ program, student retention has been a concern, and the makeup of the student body has changed over the last 20 years. More students work, help take care of family, etc and this change helps address some of those changes.
 - The traditional IB diploma option is still available.
 - TOK will remain constant regardless of the path chosen by students at the end of their Sophomore year.
 - CAS and EE will only be required of those pursuing the IB diploma.
 - Students will be chosen for the program in the same way they are now - they will also be “housed” under IB to ensure that all USD 259 requirements are met.
 - Faculty meeting at the end of Sept. to discuss the new offering of certificates and the various scenarios that may evolve. Chance for teacher input/sharing of potential problems and concerns. That info will be shared with parents for their input before the final plan is put forth.

Outstanding Business

Suggested topic for October meeting - Mental Health.

2021-22 Meeting Schedule:

~~August 12, 2021~~

~~September 2, 2021~~

October 7, 2021

November 4, 2021

December 2, 2021

January 6, 2022

February 3, 2022

March 3, 2022

April 7, 2022

May 5, 2022

Niblack adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

The next meeting of the IBPA board of directors is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 7, 2021 via Zoom.

--- Patricia Blessant (filling in for Melissa Mobley, secretary)