

MINUTES OF THE EAST IBPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING — October 7th, 2021

The meeting was held online via Zoom.

**In attendance:**

Michael Boykins, IB Coordinator  
Jason Niblack – President  
Anthony Au – Treasurer  
Melissa Mobley – Secretary  
Mini Siddique – Junior Representative  
Patricia Blessant – At Large  
Sueanna Budde – At Large  
Tanya Flores – Past President  
Sean Killingsworth – Sophomore Representative  
Doreen Papadatos – At Large  
Esau Freeman – Co Freshman Rep  
Kathy Crow  
Gung Nguyen  
Amy Grossman  
Elroy Christie

Niblack called the meeting to order at 6:32pm

Introductions were made.

**Minutes:** A motion (Flores, Freeman) to approve the September minutes was approved without opposition.

**Treasurer's report:** Treasurer Anthony Vo not much activity for September. Only Expense was one disbursement for purchasing of stamps. No contributions last month. Balance is \$4,000.33. Purchasing of Biology Bank approved last month for \$199.99 – payment has not yet been made. Balance after that should be \$3,800.34.

Regarding Minus Square Transaction Fees: this is used as part of the East High as a whole. Current YTD Fee is \$11.05 for three contributions. Transaction fee is about 3% of the contributions we receive.

Will add to website a “disclaimer” that a portion goes to fees and allow people to make these contributions in person to avoid that expense. Mr. Boykins will ask Joy to put that out there for people to be aware of.

Freeman/Mobley motion to accept Treasurer's report.

## **New Business:**

**IB Coordinator Report & Requests:** Mr Boykins informed there are No Scholarship requests. Two faculty wish list applications were turned in:

Kelsey Beckman (Spanish) requested \$30 Fluency Matters Leveled Readers – would like 4p bundles. \$141.60 includes shipping and sales tax. Motion to approve the teacher request (Budde/Niblack)

Dr. Reimers (Chemistry) is requesting Vernier PH Sensor PH-BTA at \$85 each and would like 3. Cost is approximately \$270. Motion to approve the teacher requests (Budde/Freeman)

## **Safety Issues Discussion – Mr. Boykins gave this summary:**

Looked at what worked and didn't work in regards to the September 21<sup>st</sup> shooting.

Took 30 seconds for everyone to be in lockdown mode. Good  
Took 4 minutes to communicate with parents – felt that could be improved upon.  
Communication with the YMCA daycare facility on site will be improved.  
Counselors were brought in for a couple days of school. About a dozen of them.

Positive from that day – we were asked what you would like more of. Cameras. Getting more radios – 20 new ones so everyone on the crisis team will have one. Also, getting a new Security Officer. Putting security offices all throughout the building. We are getting wireless phones back as well.

Our students were attacked by non-East high students. An IB Student received a bullet graze unknown to him until he was sitting in the classroom and blood was noticed. The football game at SE the week before was related to the shooting at East. All gang related. Made changes out of that fight. Only 1 out of the 8 fights was tied to East high. The fights were being instigated by other students from schools not even playing that night. Thus, the district created the new rules regarding game attendance.

Our Main Entrance needs improvement. Our hallways are narrow our buildings are old. Parents wanting to pick up their children had to wait in lines outside. Improving the main entrance will be a multi-million-dollar project and they will be weighing safety and politics.

This parent also wanted to know about general safety. We are located in a part of Wichita that has a higher crime rate than other areas. We cannot change our zip code. We are doing all we can. Our attendance is the worst it has ever been. Student behavior is becoming worse. This is happening nationwide. We are meeting about safety and dress code with the Student Advisory Council.

**Outstanding Business:**

Next Months agenda –

Mental Health – Mrs. Ewy.

Holiday Cards/Gifts/Fundraiser Letter

Jason Niblack adjourned the meeting at 7:30PM.

The next meeting of the IBPA board of directors is scheduled for 6:30PM on Thursday, November 4th, 2021 via Zoom.

Melissa Mobley, Secretary