

**President Karen Schwerbrock-Welcome**

**Secretary-Tracey Rossi**-Roll call taken, 51 total present, 3 phone calls, 19 voting members present, quorum met.

**President**-Request to vote to approve May 2009 minutes. Margie Getz motioned to approve minutes, Renita Miller seconded, minutes approved.

**Bob Hernandez-Introduced Janet Cordova**, the new Residential Life Coordinator. Originally from Florida, then Columbia University before coming to IMSA.

**President's report**- Need more volunteers and positions filled. Becoming a region rep. allows for a voting position in the PAC. *All current officers, Metro and Downstate coordinators, Friday Fest chairs, and Senior Banquet chairs have served for two years....are all senior parents and will need replacements.*

**Vice President's report-Steve Maril**-Elaborated on PAC attendance and using the opportunity to visit your student. Upcoming meetings will have speakers of interest. Many teachers and staff will explain classes and the use of the current technology. Bus coordinators are Margie and Dan Getz, Nancy Taylor and Bill Lundeman, Susan Wesp and Lisa Funderburg.

**Treasurer's report-Tom Hize**-The bus account has \$18,000 to be paid to the various bus companies. PAC fund has \$23,000.

**No Secretary report**

**Downstate Coordinator-Dan Getz**- Thank you to Steve Maril for setting up buses and coordinators and to Tom Hize for the organization of the finances.

**Metro Coordinator-Ed Zaretsky**-Thank you to the region reps who have signed up to become involved with PAC.

**Administration report-Dr. Eric McLaren**-Last night was the Hypnotist program. Tonight is the Homecoming dance. **IMSA has been awarded the Intel Star Innovator Award.** The check is displayed along with the trophies on the front table. Last year over 700 schools applied. The

awards are broken down into elementary, middle school, and high school areas for both science and math. The interviewers came on the IMSAloquium Day, and IMSA received the School of Distinction Award for Science. Six top schools were brought together in New York where the announcement was made. Go to the website to see all of the new technology in teaching math. A middle school in the Bronx had an incredible program for their math department. Some key points for IMSA included our ability to spread our curriculum across the state to many schools, the Energy Center, and Leon Lederman's continuing contributions to science and technology. Leon Lederman is the founder of IMSA and the Physics First Program.

**Bob Hernandez-Student Life-**

1. We have had a great start to the school year. Sid Sapru has shown real leadership with the student body and increasing school spirit. For updates on the H1N1 flu, check the website by going to IMSA.edu, hit Parent site, then click on the Health Services Page.
2. Sodexo-Jeff Hilligoss is manager and Chef Jim is the chef. Nutritional information is posted on the website as well as on the food serving line.
3. Attendance-Please help keep students responsible for getting to class. The first break is October 8, residence halls close at 5p.m. There is a \$25 charge for each 5 minutes your student is on campus after 5p.m. Please be on time in picking up your student.

**CAC-Julia Husen-Senior information-** 85 colleges are scheduled to come to Fall visitation days. These are posted on the Prep HQ website. Students can arrange ahead of time with Sodexo to pick up boxed lunches for these days. Interview information on website. Priority mailing process begins Oct. 1 for rolling admissions and early action deadlines. Prep HQ is the exclusive communication site. Please check this site for scholarship information.

**Junior information-**PSAT on Wed. Oct 14. Oct. 1 and 6 tutorials from 4:30-5:30 with Ms. Cain. Sign up was taken for sections....filled now but student can still show up. Diagnostic testing new by Princeton Review Company. It is a 4 hour test, and a mini version of the SAT-ACT. The company will recommend which test is a good match for your child. This is free and will be given on October 31 in the morning.

**Sophomore information-**Navigation meetings are on Wednesdays. Three meetings with students-Oct. 7, Nov. 11, and in Dec. Colleges tell CAC when they will be coming to IMSA. We cannot arrange to spread the schools out as it is their own schedules, so sometimes popular schools do overlap.

**IMSA Fund-Greta Salamando-**Parent donation was at 7 percent at Parent Day. Now are at 13 percent with the goal at 37 percent. Today is the Alumni Luncheon for Homecoming at the Hilton in Lisle.

**No Communications Chair or report**

**Student Life-Jeanne Balzuweit**-IMSA Kids Institute will be the same days as PAC meetings (9-12 noon) so sign your children up early. Dates are Sat. Oct. 24, Dec. 5. (See website) Please share this information with families with small children. For move-in day we had signup sheets and posters for each wing. For the wings that chose to participate in this we were able to obtain 85 persons who expressed an interest in student life whether it was for Friday Fest, Parent Partners, SODEXO Food Service/or were willing to host an ill child. I felt it was a great start to the year and we were pleased to then be able to garner additional interest at Parent Day.

**Parent Partners (subcommittee)-by Jeanne Balzuweit for Elisa Dressler**-Elisa is finalizing a list of parents who have volunteered for Parent Partners. The list will be broken down by wing so parents can coordinate with each other. Elisa is also preparing a letter that will be shared with these parents to ask them to contact each other to set up activities and dinners and will also be providing a lengthy list of suggestions. She anticipated that this information should go out to the Parent Partner volunteers within the next week.

**Senior Banquet-Nameeta Vedak**-This is not just for senior parents. We need sophomore and junior parents to help. We need a junior parent to co-chair to take over next year. The banquet is June 4 at the Wyndham Lisle. Areas where we need help include Invitations, Decorations, Seating, Gifts and Favors. Please volunteer...this is a very nice and special evening for the seniors and their families and **HELP is needed**.

**Friday Fest-Patti Hizel**-We got the year off to a solid start! Our first fest was on Sept. 11. We served pizza and pot-luck dishes that were donated by the IMSA families. We were happy to welcome many new families that came to volunteer. The fest was well attended by the IMSA students. Approximately 447 beverages were served that night. Our next Friday Fest will be on October 23 with the theme of Asian Cuisine. Emails will go out next week.

**Technology –Bob Huston retiring**. Today is his last day. **Thank you for all of your work and dedication to IMSA, Bob!** Peter Edgars volunteered to chair the technology committee and will maintain the website and help with the video conferencing. Please join Peter if you have an interest and will help with technology. We hope to get video streaming along with the telephone conferencing for increased attendance to allow parents to vote by long distance. The website explains the technology committee structure. Bob Huston gave an overview.

**1 : 1 Computing-Ralph Flickinger**-The I T department supports technology with Windows based tablet PC. This is the first year with 100 percent of the students with the tablets. No major problems have been encountered this year with companies. A few minor problems were found and were resolved. A new \$25 non-refundable late fee imposed for not returning loaner computers on time beginning November 1. We are working on the list of computers for purchase next year. New versions of H.P., Toshiba, Fujitsu available, and we will possibly drop the Lenovo think pad

because of technology support problems in getting technicians authorized. I recommend getting incoming sophomores only new computers as the technology becomes outdated and old quickly. **We will take donations of old Gateway computers for parts.** Loaners are refreshed regularly with new hardware...the software is constantly updated.

**Student Council-Sid Sapru-** This is Homecoming week. Activities included flag football, a movie slumber watching Zoolander and Rent and ordering Taco Bell. Tonight is the Homecoming dance. Policy work will start after this week is over. Items include a comprehensive calendar of student tests and IMSA alumni coming to campus to talk about life after IMSA. Please email me if needed at [sid@imsa.edu](mailto:sid@imsa.edu)

**Old business-** none

**New business-**

- Teleconferencing meetings with video coming soon.
- The Office of Admissions needs help with information meetings in different regions. They will come give information but need people in the different regions to set up meeting places and advertise locally.
- Need suggestions for guest speakers.
- A BBQ has been suggested for a meet your teacher event/day.
- All executive positions are filled by senior parents. **We need new parents to step up to shadow positions now.** Have a treasurer shadow and a secretary shadow already.
- Next meeting Saturday, October 24 10 a.m., committees meet at 9a.m., Kids Institute at 9-12 noon. Friday Fest October 23 with Asian Cuisine. Please volunteer to help by attending these events.

**Motion to adjourn** made by Margie Getz, seconded by Patti Hizel. All approved, meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Tracey Rossi