

**President Karen Schwerbrock-** Called meeting to order, welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

**Secretary Tracey Rossi-** Roll call made. Two phone callers attempted, and 22 voting members present, quorum made. 44 members total present. No teleconferencing due to failure of technology connections.

**President's report- Karen Schwerbrock-**called for approval of September meeting minutes. Motion made by Jeanne Balzuweit, seconded by Margie Getz. Minutes approved unanimously. Volunteers are needed to advertise and host the informational meetings being scheduled for the different regions of the state. The volunteer will write up a personal note on your personal perspective of IMSA and submit along with prepared IMSA flier to local newspapers and post at public information spots in the local area. All releases should be pre-approved by Amy Conyers before submitting to newspapers. IMSA has the fliers that should be posted.

**Vice President Steve Maril-**The first bus trip was successful. Money is coming in from the routes and is being paid to the bus companies. Thank you to the volunteer bus coordinators who have worked so hard to make the bus system run smoothly. A lot of work goes into each trip as well as the overall scheduling and financial coordinating. Thank you!

**Treasurer-Tom Hize-**Year to date we have spent \$12,500, with \$11,000 being spent on the bus routes, paid for by the bus fees. \$1000 has been spent on PAC expenses. The new budget will be sent out to all parents to view and vote on next meeting since the screen is not working today.

**Secretary Tracey Rossi-**no report

**Downstate Coordinator-Dan Getz-** Sent out messages to all regions for representative volunteers. Regions 3 and 5 need many spots filled. We need to think about going back to the bylaws which state a member must attend 2 of the first 4 meetings in order to attend meeting by teleconferencing. To those of you who will read these notes, please join us. Also, Dr. Eric McLaren will be going downstate on Nov. 6 and will be available that evening in the St. Louis area if any parents would like to meet with him. I will send out a note to parents.

**Metro Coordinator-Karen Schwerbrock for Ed Zaretsky-**We need volunteers for sophomore representatives from regions 8 and 10. Parents, please volunteer!

**Administration report-Dr. Bob Hernandez-**

For CAC Julia Husen-There have been 87 colleges to visit campus this year. Nov. 12 is financial aid night. Please check Prep HQ for CAC information and IMSA profile 2010. UIUC had 150 applications out of the senior class of 181. We will have a senior meeting to go over due dates. Juniors- Had the PSAT and all students were present and on time. Results should be in the beginning of Dec. Princeton ACT practice test is October 31 fro 8:30 – 1:00 in the main gym. Two emails have gone out. All students and parents need to be registered on Prep HQ. We are looking into the possibility of adding another fine arts/music class second semester. --RC-Curtis Boyd is present and came to the Student Life meeting. IMSA student body will be screening a documentary on Barack Obama on Nov. 4. Gov. Quinn is scheduled to be present. Nov. 12 will be the Veteran's Day Assembly from 10:55-11:35 to honor Veterans. Please do not take your student out of school at this time.

**H1N1 Flu Vaccinations on Nov. 2 for IMSA students** and the general public in the main gym. Email has been sent out. Get your own doctor's recommendation for vaccinating your child. Parents must sign form even if your child is 18 y.o. You may fax the form to the school. Use your home address on the form, and mail the original form to the school...the health department needs the original. There is no cost. IMSA has been low on the illness charts, only three students sent home last week, unknown if it is H1N1. If your child has fever and vomiting, feels sick or extremely fatigued, please take your student home for the protection of the IMSA student body and staff. Stay home at least 24 hours. Student must be fever free without meds for 24 hours before returning. Must be cleared by IMSA nurse on Monday morning.....do not bring student back on weekend. Hours are M-F 7:00-3:30. Rush Copley will cover weekends if a lot of kids are going home or ready to come back...will inform parents. Instructors should accommodate illness on individual basis if class/homework is missed. Please contact Bob with any concerns. A parent suggested having voice recordings made of classes/instructors. Bob will talk to Branson Lawrence who is in charge of teacher/technology. Students need to dress appropriately for the weather...no more sandals or flip-flops. They also need jackets. ---**Check website for changes and health updates---on Parent site and Health site.**

**IMSA Alumni Association (IAA) Representative Melvin Bacani (09)-**

[melvin@bacani.com](mailto:melvin@bacani.com) filling in for Scott Swanson. I went to school in Michigan, majored in Theoretical Mathematics, then became an investment banker. I have been back in Illinois for five years. Daughter has just been accepted to IMSA for next year, so I hope to be involved with PAC/IAA. Nov. 6 Friday, IAA will have a reunion at Bar Italia in St. Louis. Nov. 14 is Preview Day at IMSA, and the U of I/Northwestern football game in Champaign. We will be having a tailgate and reception for alumni, parents, and students. Contact Carolyn Johnson at [cjohnson@imsa.edu](mailto:cjohnson@imsa.edu) for more information. Alumni forums will be bringing in alumni to the campus to answer questions and share information about different careers.

**IMSA Fund-Greta Salamando**-I will be at the IAA event in St. Louis. Parent participation on giving is at 15 percent, and our goal is 38 percent. Please donate! Parent advisory group for the IMSA fund will be meeting at noon.

**Communications-Stu Bloom**-I am new to the committee. The newsletter is no longer being published due to the web. PAC website needs updating. The first step is to take off the outdated information and update, then fix broken links. We will work on consistency and navigation. I first tried to use the site when daughter was accepted.

**Student Life-Jeanne Balzuweit**- Discussed ideas for weekend activities for the students that would involve parents. Suggestions included an outdoor movie night, an indoor pool party and snow sculpting. We are open to ideas and suggestions from students and parents, as well as assisting in planning events for this year. What would students on campus enjoy on a weekend? Please give ideas to Curtis Boyd. We will try to work around PAC meetings, Friday Fests, etc. New RC's are Andrea Mason 1503A and Tim Warren 1507B. Sodexo issued a survey with a free sundae for responding. Of 638 students, 85% responded. Students want new desserts such as soft serve ice cream and were concerned about the long lines. Please join us at our meetings in room A148 and/or email me at [balzuweit@comcast.net](mailto:balzuweit@comcast.net) with your ideas and suggestions.

**Parent Partners-submitted for Elisa Dressler by Jeanne Balzuweit**-Elisa has sent out an email to all of the parents who expressed an interest in Parent Partners with some suggestions of food items and activities to provide to the students in their wing. She is currently working on accumulating a list of movie theatres, shopping malls, fun places to go and places of interest in the IMSA area.

**Friday Fest-Patti Hize**-Asian Fest was last night. We had a wonderful turnout by parents with so many food donations. Parents seemed to have a great time. Student turn out was less than average, but still a very good showing. We had a lot of leftovers which were sent back to the halls. There were 356 beverages served. The next Friday Fest will be Nov. 13 and the theme is Chili/Sub sandwiches. Some downstate parents came last night and stayed for the PAC meeting today...Thank you!

**Technology-no chairman**, we covered video conferencing and website updates.

**Student Council-no rep.**

**Senior Banquet-Nameeta Vedak**-We need the seniors' baby pictures by Feb. 1 ***We need a Junior parent for co-chair for the banquet.*** We need people to help with the registration table at the dinner on June 4-Friday. The theme is "An Ocean of Memories".

**Old Business**- Video streaming possibly for next month-November.  
--Please help Amy Conyers with the informational meetings.

**New Business-Karen Schwerbrock**-We would like to get voting privileges for the Senior Banquet and Friday Fest chairmen. We would like to update the bylaws to give the two new committees the voting rights. Responsibilities of the chairmen were discussed, and the Senior Banquet is 1/3 of the PAC budget. Friday Fest is held every month. This will also open up a region rep. position. Motion made by Margie Getz and seconded by DD McInerney to allow this change. Will present a write-up and vote at the next meeting/Preview Day.

**Next month will be a "PACK the PAC" meeting.**

**---Dr. Lederman will be the guest speaker next month. He is the founder of IMSA and a Nobel Prize Laureate.**

---We need door prizes, to donate email me at [pinoak92@yahoo.com](mailto:pinoak92@yahoo.com) Please spread the word.  
---Will email the budget that is now showing on the fixed screen and will vote on approval next month. We are looking into purchasing an ice cream machine for Sodexo to supply for \$12,000. Need a new foosball table and couches for student life. Some new ideas are sport chairs for the gym.

---RC Appreciation day will be in February this year.

SIR presentation was made by Alli Larabee who worked with the school psychologist Dave Everson. A video presentation was shown on “The Effects of Suggestion on Self Confidence and Self Esteem”. Thank you Alli!

Motion made to adjourn by Margie Getz and seconded by Toni Smoog. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Tracey Rossi