IMSA PAC Meeting Minutes

February 17, 2001

President, Dave Kinney, called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken and a quorum was determined present.

Administration Report

Principal, Eric MacLaren, reported on the Solon.com article. He reported that Fox News had been there and filmed a short piece about IMSA. CBS will be there to film next week. Cell phone have been banned on campus but a new policy is being written to allow for there use. Every student took the American High School math exam. Jrs. then Soph. are being brought together in small groups to begin working on schedules for next year.

President's Report

Dave Kinney expressed his appreciation to Bob Hernandez for keeping the PAC in the loop concerning the Solon.com article.

Vice President's Report

Jana Fitting attended the Board of Director's retreat day. There was a student presentation, they discussed IMSA's 3 year business plan. It is being made into a 1 ½ hour Power Point presentation. The next PAC mailing will be March 23. The deadline for information is March 14. Jana, Fred Hines and Betty Kay met to discuss communication priorities. They are putting together a "Parent Position Statement" from a parent's perspective. More information will be available at a later time.

Secretary's Report

Phone trees are still trickling in.

Committee Reports

Academic

Chairperson, Betty Kay, reported that they will be meeting during the month to discuss mentorship and options in academic programs and informed consent.

College and Academic Counseling

Chairperson, Gail Peck, provided some information on scholarships. She asked for volunteers to help with the college day April 28. A committee is needed to organize the "Spring Family Day" that has been created to add to the college day activities. There will be a brief PAC meeting on that day.

Student Life

Co-Chair, Penny Newton began by discussing student activities. There is still the issue of transportation for activities. Student Life needs volunteers. They would like to see Parent Partners more active with some activities during the summer EXCEL and Navigation programs. Penny presented a financial request proposal for equipment for the fitness center. The request was for \$7500. Along with the request, Penny explained that the committee feels strongly that the fitness center operating times need to be more flexible to meet the student's needs. The PAC would like more information before making a motion on this financial proposal. Student Council will be doing a survey to get feedback from students. Penny stated that they have been able to find bulbs for the new lamps provided by the PAC for about \$8 versus the \$18-19 previously reported. Questions from the floor were entertained about Prom. Parents were told to speak to their student's RC. Any graduation issues should be directed to the principal's office.

Technology

Chairperson, Cheryl Widman, was pleased to announce that Mike Doyle will be next year's Tech Comm chairperson. Next month's meeting will be at noon to include students and make it easier for other to attend.

Communication Committee

Chairperson, Fred Hines, reported that he met with Eric MacLaren. They discussed the need to update the IMSA website. Fred will be meeting with Jim Gerry, the Chief Information Officer for IMSA. He will be meeting with the Academic Comm to work on the statement proposal.

Senior Banquet

Kristie Polk reported that the committee will be meeting every other Saturday. March 3, 17, April 7,28, May 5, 12. The committee is encouraging Jr parents to get involved now so next years banquet will be easier to plan.

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Old Business

No action items

New Business

Dave Kinney presented the proposed slate of officers for next year's PAC.

President - Jana Fitting
Vice Pres. - Fred Hines
Treasurer - Don Cooper
Secretary Metro Coordinator - Billie Zabinski
Down State Coordinator - Denise Wallheimer

Dave would like to schedule next year's meetings now to get them on IMSA calendar.

A motion to add a December meeting to the schedule was made by Brenda Todt, seconded by Janelle Cornell. Vote taken, motion carried. The downstate meeting will again be at the University of Illinois.

Junior parent's were thanked for providing the excellent refreshments!

Meeting adjourned.

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