

IMSA PAC Meeting Minutes
 March 17, 2001

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

The meeting minutes of the February PAC meeting were approved with the addition of next year's PAC meeting dates. August 26 (planning meeting), September 15, October 20, November 10 (downstate meeting in Champaign) December 8, January 19, February 23, March 16, April 20 (college Day) and May 11 (Prom).

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

No report. Eric McLaren was attending a conference in Boston and Bob Hernandez was ill. Jim Gerry was present to represent IMSA.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dave Kinney reported that he attended the IMSA Board of Directors meeting. They are working on IMSA's business plan. Students made a math presentation. They were happy to report that Math Investigations series curriculum is being used at other schools. Dave will present an end of the year report to the IMSA Board of Directors before he leaves office.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

VP, Jana Fitting, reported that information about the College Day BBQ tickets and a survey will be in the next newsletter. The deadline is Monday, March 19. The survey includes questions from tech and residential life. The purpose of the confidential survey is to see how things are going for families. Regional reps will be contacting families who do not reply. The survey will also go to the Student Council.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

No report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer, Don Cooper, reported that \$580 came in to the PAC fund since the last meeting for a total of \$27,196. Total funds available - \$10,841.38.

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT

Student Council President, Pooja Argawal, thanked everyone who donated food or helped with the Multi Cultural Week activities. She addressed the computer vandalism issue and welcomes any ideas about how the Student Council might impact this problem.

IMSA CIO, Jim Gerry added that IMSA is forming a task force to address this issue. PAC members will be asked to participate on this task force. Pooja reported that IMSA clubs and organizations are in need of advisors. It was suggested from the floor that a letter be drafted by the Res Life Comm to IMSA regarding this issue. Pooja asked that anyone interested in working on the Alumni database call or email her.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic Committee

Chairperson, Betty Kay, reported that they are still working on their Position Statement. They would like to focus on community problems and address the real issues at the root of the problem. They would like to gather feedback from students and teachers before addressing issues. Betty reported that the position of Curriculum Director has been difficult to fill and is still open at IMSA.

College and Academic Counseling

Barb Decker, Chairperson for 2001-2002, reported that their goal is to get more parents involved and get more information to parents.

Schedule for College Day April, 28th:

Res Life Committee meeting	8:30
Lunch	11:30 to 1
PAC meeting	11:00 to 11:45

Residential Life

Chairperson, Penny Newton, reported that light bulbs for the lamps in the res halls need to be a priority. A vendor was found on line that could provide the bulbs at a reduced rate. Res Life will find out how many bulbs are needed. RC's will get information to the committee. The committee feels that the lights have not held up well. There is a Campus Activities Board (CAB) being formed. It

will be a student group to help with campus activities. Jrs and Soph can sign up before next year. There are funds available for some activities. Penny addressed several issues of concern to the committee:

Fitness Center, IMSA is looking for someone to open the facilities at other times but cannot find qualified personnel due to hours needed and salary available.

Parent partners, More activities are needed in the Res Halls for students.

Student Union is not open on weekends. Suggested IMSA consider parent volunteers to open Union on weekends. A possible solution would be a Friday evening from 7 to 10 chaperoned by parents. A sign up sheet was passed around.

Permission slips need to be more accessible to parents.

The bus situation will be changing for next school year. The 12-15 seat vans will not be used next year for insurance purposes.

Technical Committee

Chairperson , Cheryl Widman, announced that the committee will meet at noon. It was suggested that “Public Assess TV” be allowed to cover IMSA local events, perhaps training students to use the equipment. Communication Committee will be in touch with the TV people.

Communication Committee

Chairperson, Fred Hines, reported that the committee is concerned that communication between IMSA and families is not as good as it could be. Several IMSA activities were held at IMSA with minimal parental attendance. Fred reported that he is working with the Academic Committee on the Position Statements about Science and Communication at IMSA. Fred suggested that PAC consider having a reception or some activity at IMSA on the day of placement tests for parents while they wait for their students.

Senior Banquet Committee

Information will be going out to families soon.

Old Business

No action items.

New Business

Charlotte Bennett made a motion to close nominations and accept the slate of officers presented to the PAC. Motion seconded by Janelle Cornell. Vote taken Motion carried.

Officers for 2001-2002

President	Jana Fitting
Vice President	Fred Hines
Secretary	Ann Carpenter
Treasurer	Don Cooper
Downstate Coordinator	Denise Wallheimer
Metro Coordinator	Billie Zabinski

CONGRADULATIONS!

Jana would like all the names of Committee Chairs for the April meeting.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,

Pam Gast
PAC Secretary