



IACA Mar. 2013 Meeting Notes

03/11/13 – Tuesday

6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

IACS - cafeteria

Agenda Topics

Meeting Called to Order: 6:35 pm

Accept Prior Meeting Minutes: A motion was made and passed to accept February 12, 2013 meeting minutes after allowing attendees a few minutes to read through them

Welcome & Introductions - Attendees introduced themselves to the group

Vote to Accept Financials: Paula presented treasurer's report, announced fund allocations and a motion was made and passed to accept the financials as presented

New Business /Upcoming Events:

1. Freshman, Isaac Donkoh-Halm, spoke to group about him and his brother DJ-ing the HS dance on April 26th. He's hoping to create a more dance-club like environment with a wide variety of songs (hopefully which can be requested via the IACA website). He came to ask if we had any questions and ask to use our speakers. Tracy Leedberg is in the process of finding an adult trained on the equipment to supervise, so we could waive "adults must use the equipment". Isaac reassured us that he will announce all the song rules/restrictions, song request process and the rule that no one is allowed behind the table except the "supervisor", Isaac and his brother at "all school meeting" as well as sending a mass email. Annie suggested having a staff/teacher be the one to enforce the "no behind the table" rule. He will let us know by email if he needs to use our lighting. Valerie will get in touch with Tracy about getting someone to supervise Isaac and his brother.

Isaac also gave some great input about how best to reach the HS students and encourage involvement with IACA. He suggested we approach the student government to get "the word" to students during school hours and ask some of the members to attend IACA meetings to work in parallel with what we are doing. He also thinks that separate fundraisers for HS and MS with different incentives would work better. He suggested a video game tournament with a cost-to-participate or student vs. staff events. Isaac will tell student government members to get in touch with Valerie.

2. Bowling event interest: 24 students responded to Valerie's request for drink choices, etc. for the bowling event which would have resulted in about \$50 profit (approx. \$2/person). Save this event for next year.
3. Crystal announced that even though it was slow, Box Tops made \$248.60. Congratulations! We'll do a baseball one at end of year with Homebase winners.
4. Lori summarized her meeting with Walter last week. They discussed the Quonset hut and Walter said he would need to talk with Chad, but the costs for fixing it would be ~\$30-40,000. IACA needs to present 4 ideas of how we would like IACA's 2012 donation spent. Since the track, science class rooms & 5/6 classroom building has already been financed, Valerie suggested that one of our items could be a plaque in the science classrooms. Valerie will write a letter to Walter and Susan about where we see the need for the money. If that is unacceptable, she will suggest someone from the Expansion Initiative come to our meeting and let us know what we could put the money toward. Lori suggested getting an Eagle Scout involved as a project with the Quonset hut repairs (for the floor or interior). Annie suggested asking Chad to reach out to the community to any professionals who would be willing to donate time for the work to repair the Quonset hut.

There was a question about how last fall's relay profits were used. We assumed that it went to athletic equipment, but we are unsure. Crystal said that athletic equipment was just purchased for track and field in addition to mats for cheerleaders who are currently using the library. Lori got approval from Walter and Susan for IACA to do a Yankee Candle fundraiser for Mother's Day, but it needs to go out right away. Lori has a meeting with Karen Drake this Friday to talk about the Wellness Policy. It is not clear as to what was approved for Bake Sales. Several parents will be writing letters to Valerie with concerns about wellness policy implementation and its impact on IACA volunteers. We are hoping to clarify issues by listing IACS vs. IACA events.

5. Lori discussed the status of the recurring monthly charges with the credit card processing company. Once we return it, charges will stop and they will credit us for prior charges (~\$384). We will be keeping it for the Big Time Social and then return it.
6. Heather discussed the status of Big Time Social scheduled for 7pm April 5th. She is looking for help to set up at noon. There will be silent auction, entertainment, trivia games, buffet dinner, 50/50 raffle, dessert auction and a photo booth.
7. Heather said that the Quality Night store on 3/6 made \$200 (mostly profit) because the costs were taken out at the last one. There were only a few scholarship people and IOUs.
8. Paula said we are waiting on the tablecloths, because we don't know if we're doing moving up and/or graduation. Lori will ask Karen about using her tablecloths for these events since they are IACS events.
9. Paula said the Jury scheduling is going along OK.
10. Allyson will do bake sale for QN on 3/12 and Gail Falewicz has offered to help clean up. We're looking for two cases of water. Paula will leave box in locked cabinet for Allyson.
11. Valerie announced that we still need chair people for 2013-2014 school year for Socials-dances and book fairs; Lisa Reed, Jamie G and Karen B are available as mentors
12. We're currently taking applications for the IACA HS scholarship. Applications go to Danny Barr or IACA mailbox by noon on May 1st.
13. For 3/13 & 3/27 ILP days, Heather will be selling 50/50 raffle tickets and Comedy Night tickets and will put out IACA flyers as well.
14. April 8-12th is spirit week. We're looking for a volunteer to come up with a theme/new ideas and post it.
15. Valerie announced that if you intend to run for an officers position please notify her by April 12th.
16. Lori passed out copies of the IACA bylaws as well as sample bylaws from another school to review for discussion at the last two meetings.
17. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding our approach to incorporate the current wellness policy as it applies to IACS and IACA and its impact on our operations. The discussion included the conditions under which we can have bake sales. Michele retrieved a document provided by Karen Drake at her Wellness Policy overview presentation to the IACA this past fall which states that bake sales are acceptable at events where parents are present. Unfortunately, this has caused much confusion during event planning this year. This is an issue that Lori will bring up with her meeting with Karen this Friday.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:46pm

Attendees:

V. Clark, L. DiMattia, M. Frey, P. Girouard, A. Accetullo, H. Landis, M. Malachowski, C. McKiel, I. Donkoh-Halm