



IACA Meeting Minutes

01/13/14 – Monday.

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

IACS – Library

Meeting Called to Order: 7:25 pm

Introductions by all Attendees

Principal Business:

1. Lori discussed the donation of Kindles to the school. Heather thanked IACA for the 31 Kindles and accessories that were donated to the Library. She brought a Kindle to the meeting and discussed how it would be used/borrowed from the library.
2. Lori talked about Volunteer Recruitment. We would like to encourage parents to come and get involved in IACA and the school community. Volunteers are needed to help with the events throughout the year. Discussed during the meeting was the policy which used to be outlined in the handbook requiring families to do volunteer service hours. Discussed "Bring a Friend" to the next meeting, and allowing the High School students to get their service hours in by volunteering with IACA. In future Bill suggested having a fun first meeting of the year to network and connect with new/returning parents. Also discussed breaking down the volunteer list and having IACA members call potential volunteers with the list of events that need assistance. There will be a IACA volunteer table at the Embrace Winter Ice Cream Social. Open positions include: Volunteer Coordinator, Jury Scheduling, the Social Chair and 8th Grade Semi-Formal Lead.
3. Annie will touch base with Andrea regarding opening up the IACA store again in time for the Embrace Winter Ice Cream Social. Andrea has ordered items that she will have available for display at the Social.
4. The Scholastic Book Fair will run from March 10th-14th. There will be a Quality Night during this time frame to reach more of the school community. Beginning in March, Heather will print bookmarks with the Book Fair's information for students. There will be flyers posted throughout the school.
5. There will be a Yankee Candle Fundraiser held this Spring. Looking to get the packets out Monday or Tuesday, February 24th or 25th after the winter break. Orders need to be returned by March 7th to be submitted prior to March 21st for delivery of the merchandise before Easter, April 20th and Mother's Day, May 11th. There is expected to be one pick-up day and then items will be brought to Homebases and sent home with students.
6. Sheila gave an update on the Basket Raffle which will take place at the Embrace Winter Ice Cream Social. The Community has received an e-mail from Greg Orpen regarding the basket themes. Heather is printing a flyer for the students to bring home which will include the themes for each Middle School Team and High School Advisory with a cutaway on the bottom stating Donor name, grade and what basket theme the donation is for. There are donation areas set-up throughout the school. Sheila discussed where she could purchase the supplies for the baskets and getting volunteers organized to put the baskets together.
7. Heather and Annie gave an update on the Embrace Winter Ice Cream Social to be held on Friday, February 7th from 7:00-9:00 pm. Annie displayed the flyer that was made to advertise the event. Heather discussed the different groups that would be performing, ice cream will be served and there will be numerous tables set-up for various purposes (ie: IACA table, Spiritwear, etc.). They are planning on sports going on in the Quanza Hut and slide shows depicting student life in the Library. Lori is looking to promote the Embrace Winter Ice Cream Social as a good volunteer opportunity for the High School students as they would get multiple service hours during this event.

8. Discussed the Big Time Social. There will be a Casino Night on April 4th. It would include fake money and they would bring their own dealers. For every \$500 that patrons win at the tables, they would get a raffle ticket that would go into three special prizes to win. A silent auction is also anticipated. Heather is looking into a venue for the event and the different options that may be included, ie: dinner.

9. Val discussed the IACA College Scholarship. There are currently two \$1,000 scholarships offered to the graduating seniors. The Flyers were posted throughout the school today with the particulars. The students have from February 1st through May 12th to work on their application for submission. Greg Orpen will send an e-mail out to all seniors, their parents, and will post it on IACS's web site. The changes made this year to the application is 1. That four years of transcripts be submitted (instead of 2-unless there is a sign-off of why that is) and 2. To submit only one recommendation (instead of multiples). Val thought this would limit bias by judges, intentional or not, if all students are submitting the same amount of data. Annie would also like discussed at future meetings the possibility of increasing the scholarship for following years. There was light discussion regarding offering a \$1,000 scholarship for every 25 graduating students.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:42

Attendees: L. Dimattia, S. Hingorani, V. Clark, B. Loehfelm, K, D'Orto, H. Landis, A. Acceltullo, K. Procter