

Call to order and welcome made by President Karen Schwerbrock.

Roll call made by Secretary Tracey Rossi.

19 voting members present. Quorum met.

10 teleconference members and 33 total members present.

Motion made to approve December 2008 minutes made by Jeanne Balzuweit. Seconded by Margie Getz. Minutes approved.

Executive reports

President-none

Vice President-none

Secretary-none

Treasurer- Wei Wei Jiang- Bus money still coming in and checks are being written for the senior banquet. Currently the checking account has \$19,100. IMSA Fund gave \$12,500 to PAC. As a reminder, anyone requesting a reimbursement check must supply a check request form with the receipts or bill. Please include the date the check is needed, and allow two weeks for processing. These should be turned in at the PAC meeting as two officers' signatures are required on the check.

Regional reports

Metro area-Ed Zaretsky-no problems reported.

Downstate-no report

Multiple parents reported on the IMSA statewide informational meetings for prospective incoming families. All were well attended and reported positive feedback.

Administration

Dr. Bob Hernandez-

Great Minds speaker was Dr. Richard Sander from the

Chicago Climate Exchange. Good attendance and interaction from the students was reported.

The Leadership Symposium for sophomores welcomed Doug Scott, from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency as the Bernie Hollister (former IMSA instructor) Lecturer.

Sophomores and Juniors had a meeting on Wednesday for learning opportunities. Wednesday the results of the LASSI survey (styles of learning) will be released.

Intercession was successful with forty nine alumni returning to teach sessions. Some stayed on campus, and the students enjoyed getting to know them. Many sessions held on campus and some international trips took place as well.

New orientation dates have been set. They are June 27-28/Sat. and Sun., and July 5-6/Sun. and Mon. School will start on August 17 this year.

Parents site on the IMSA website-Please keep current on the information posted. CAC announcements are made by grades. Tips for powerschool for parents will be posted soon.

Sophomores have failed to nominate enough teachers (need about 80) to be able to host a Teacher Recognition Day, so please remind your students to nominate a teacher. The deadline is being extended one more week. The program is for the student and teacher and is a wonderful opportunity to honor a special person who inspired your student.

Teacher Appreciation Day for IMSA teachers is at the end of the year.

College and Academic Counseling (CAC)-Julia Husen

Jan. and Feb. meetings posted on CAC website. Course selection meetings will be held Wed./Thurs. with mini fair electives meetings to be held during students' breaks so they can get information on courses available.

Feb. 16 will start registration and run through March 15 for sophomores and juniors. Students must pre-register on PrepHQ, then verify in the CAC office.

Princeton Review will be offering a free practice ACT test on Feb. 21 for juniors. It is an optional test, and students must sign up—200 seats available. Junior class-about 100% take the SAT, and 75% take the ACT.

Admit/accept/deferred/denied numbers in now are not complete, so numbers cannot be compared to previous years. Report given on top schools for **early admissions** process out of 204 students in Class of 09.

School	applied	accepted	deferred	denied	reg. appl.
U of I Champaign	155	127	28		
(20 male/engineering/biomedical sciences, 8 late with paperwork)					
U Chicago	21	8	8	5	35
UIChicago	12	12			35
(guaranteed Medical School program)					
Case Western	10	10			32
Stanford	6	2	0	4	51
(Early acceptance single choice)					
MIT	17	3	9	5	28
Yale	7	1	1	5	17
Loyola	2	2			16
IIT	8	8			
Cal Tech	13	5	6	1	18
Notre Dame	6	6			10
St. Louis U	14	14			6

June is scheduled for meetings with the juniors and families. Please take advantage of the CAC meetings and schedule an appointment. All correspondence is on Prep HQ shared files.

Current juniors-PSAT taken in October, information released in August for merit status.

Current seniors-Feb. 17 Merit Finalists notifications will be made. Please make sure you notify the schools you are applying to.

IMSA Fund

Greta Salamando- Parent participation goal for donations to the IMSA Fund is 42%. Right now we are at 18%. We encourage more numbers of parents to donate to the fund. The state looks at numbers of parents, students and alumni who donate, not necessarily the amount of money each person donates. The number of alumni donating shows appreciation and the value of the education. Any amount of money donated does help.

The phone-a-thon for the IMSA Fund begins next month. Please give now to keep your name on the "Do Not Call List!"

The Adler Event is an IMSA fundraiser on March 5, and tickets are \$250 each.

Communications Committee-no report

Student Life Committee

Cindy McCabe-14 people attended along with Keith McIntosh. Academic dishonesty was discussed. The intervisitation committee is still working out new policies. The internet committee has reviewed the rules and a new policy should be out soon. Renita Miller is working on the Resident Counselor party.

Friday Fest

Patti Hisel-December 12 –submarine sandwich fest was well attended. We had very few parents to volunteer, but a lot of students. We served the concert students early and stayed late to serve the basketball players. The upcoming Superbowl Chili fest has been cancelled. All of the halls have new TV's, so we are asking the parents to contact the RC's to help the individual wings with any party needs. The next Friday Fest is March 20-Chili and Indian cuisine. Finals Fest will be on Memorial Day, and we need ideas for activities to make the day more exciting. We also need two or three grill masters.....please consider!

Senior Banquet

Grace Walquist-Have 160 pictures for the senior slideshow. Please email your pictures to me at IMSA@walquist.net so all of the students are included.

Decorations are being made for the theme of "Classic Hollywood." No motto was chosen by the class. The Master of Ceremonies and special RC's have been chosen. The dinner will be at the Lisle Wyndham.

Parent Partners

Jeanne Balzuweit-I am compiling a list of local restaurants and entertainment ideas for the wings. We still need volunteers for some of the wings to organize activities for the students.

Technology Committee

Dan Getz-MPC Gateway issue to be given by Ralph Flickinger by Powerpoint presentation on 1 on 1 Computing with tablets.

MPC Gateway has filed bankruptcy and shut its doors. All repairs and warranties are null. Our team is looking for ways to get Gateway parts for repairs. Another company is considering extending warranty support. More information will be sent out as we get information. If we are able to get parts we will not charge for labor performed at IMSA.

We are pushing families to return the loaners, and those still out will be charged \$25/week for use. Twenty four still have loaners. Some of these have computers on order and will not be fined. Others will be fined. Some families have changed over to scholarship loaners.

We are looking at the HP2730P and the FujitsuT5010. We are getting good feedback on these. We are waiting on the demo from LenovoX200. We will possibly have four manufacturers for next year to be purchased by April—goal.

The tablet use in the classroom will be demonstrated by English teacher Tracy Townsend along with Nithi and Siniya, two sophomores. The interactive and saving qualities of Moodle(website like

email) are being shown. This allows for a paperless classroom. Assignments have automatic emails to the students so assignments can be updated and returned. The unique tablet features are used heavily in the math and science departments.

******Ms. Townsend positively stated her surprise at the level of involvement of the parents in the participation on the various committees of PAC. She stressed how important it is for parents to continue this level of communication by replying to instructor's comments to demonstrate our interest and concern for our student's education.******

Student Council-no report

IMSA Alumni Association

Scott Swanson-Alumni Weekend will be July 18, 2009.

Old Business

Budget discussed and explained. Motion made to approve budget by Margie Getz. Seconded by Bonnie Zaretzky. Budget approved.

Request to approve \$50 toward purchase of digital photo frame for the IMSA Adler Planetarium silent auction. Motion made to donate \$50 by Cindy McCabe. Seconded by Jeanne Balzuweit. Motion approved.

Citibank representatives are outside the door to set up student accounts.

Next PAC meeting February 21 10 a.m., committees meet at 9 a.m.
Please attend a committee meeting.

Next Friday Fest March 20—Chili and Indian cuisine. Please plan to attend.

Motion to adjourn made by Margie Getz, seconded by Cindy McCabe.
Meeting adjourned.

Recorded by Tracey Rossi

