



IB Parent Advisory Meeting Minutes
Wednesday January 25, 2012
Time: 6:00-7:00



1. IB Student Lounge
 - a. \$2000.00 donated by IB Office for furniture
 - i. Furniture has been purchased; floors have been stripped and wax.
Lounge is almost ready
 - b. Need to raise money for
 - i. Refrigerator—
 1. Was suggested that we might ask parents if anyone has a gently used refrigerator they would like to donate. So I am asking “does anyone have or know of a gently used refrigerator that can be donated to the IB Lounge?”
 - ii. Television
 1. Was suggested that rather than fund raisers simply ask for donations
 - iii. Microwave—
 1. We now have three that were donated. Thank you
 - iv. Keuring
 1. This too has been purchased
 - v. Supplies to keep lounge stocked
 - c. Need parent volunteers to monitor students using lounge
 - i. We would need parents to monitor the student lounge from 2:15-3:30 Monday thru Thursday. If you are interested in volunteering for a particular day (even if it is only one day a month) please contact pnewgent@aacps.org.
2. Putting the International back into IB
 - a. Field trip to D.C. in Springtime
 - i. Embassy have open door policy in April
 - ii. Do a Saturday field trip with parents and students
 - iii. Cost of a bus would be 475 to DC holds 48 people
 - iv. Ms. Newgent will send out a flier to see if there is interest in such a trip
 - b. Finding a sister school
 - i. Will start contacting IB schools to see if there is any interest in partnering

3. Looking for University connections—either Anne Arundel Community College or UMBC
 - a. Ms Powell gave the name of Simmona Simmons who is the special project librarian and who works at AACCC Library. Ms. Simmons is willing to do a workshop for our 11th grade IB students on “How to do research for the Extended Essay.
 - b. Was also contacted by Katy Sullivan at UMBC who is willing to work with 11th grade students involved in research project. (Thank you Ms. Werner)
4. Spring Recognition Event for 9-12 IB Students
 - a. How do we want to handle; what would we like to do?
 - i. Parents would like to do another honor roll recognition event
 - ii. Will be scheduled at the end the end of third semester / beginning of fourth
5. 12th Grade IB Pinning Ceremony
 - a. Volunteers to head committee
 - i. Will send out a separate e-mail asking for volunteers to plan and organize the 12th grade pinning ceremony. The 12th grade pinning ceremony honors our current graduating seniors. At the ceremony they receive an IB Stole, pin and this year, a commemorative CD
 - ii. Raised enough money to put on a very nice reception;
 - iii. Need from parents—pictures they may have of their IB student involved in school activities. Send the pictures electronically to pnewgent@aacps.org
6. Invigilators (Test Proctors) for May Exams
 - a. Schedule of need will be sent out
 - b. Do not need to be an 11th or 12th grade parent
 - c. Training will be provided for our first timers—refresher course for our return parents
7. February 29th Career Fair at ST. Johns from 6PM-8PM
 - a. International Career choices will be focus
8. April 24 College Fair at American University—An evening affair
 - a. 10th & 11th grade students
 - b. Space is limited
 - c. More information forthcoming in February

9. 5 Year Review Survey

- a. 11th & 12th grade students
- b. Parents
- c. Will receive a mailing and link to survey
- d. Need your assistance / please complete the essay

10. Upcoming time lines

- a. CAS portfolios—11th & 12th
- b. Extended Essays—11th grade need to find a mentor by February 29
- c. Personal Projects—10th grade