



**Riverview High School International Baccalaureate Parent Organization
IBPO General Meeting August 15, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by President Watrobsky at 10:34 am

WELCOME BY THE PRESIDENT

President Watrobsky introduced herself as the new President for 2023-2024

PRINCIPALS UPDATE

Principal Haughey gave updates on the SAC elections. Riverview has the largest student body in the county by 100 students. Riverview currently has 2757 students enrolled. Principal Haughey is waiting for approval to hire more teachers. It has been a very smooth start to the year with all students now wearing their IDs if lost replacements can be obtained in the attendance office. The first football game is on Friday at 8:00 pm in the RAM Bowl. Open House is September 13th 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Parents will follow their students' schedule for 10 minutes in each class and head to the cafeteria for their lunch break. Superintendent Connor will be speaking in the RPAC on 8/31 from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm.

IB COORDINATOR'S UPDATE

Dr. Minor stated that currently there are 860 students enrolled in the IB Program. Students will be reviewed on Naviance. September 6th is the first community day, done monthly. September 6th community day will introduce the CAS Program, core part of IB diploma program, service learning. Each student is assigned a faculty member, IB graduating requirements and Junior & Senior year program. September 9th community day will have a panel of seniors speak to underclassmen on how to get involved and answer any questions they may have. September 13th is a senior parent mandatory meeting in the RPAC about college admissions.

IBCP UPDATE

Ms. Bies, CP Coordinator, stated that there are now 8 career paths in the cp program. Currently there are 35 seniors and 74 juniors in the program. Rolling admissions are November through February 2024 with 2 new teachers this year and a 100% success rate receiving their diplomas last year. Rebecca Lewis is currently in classes on Thursdays to help.

PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

President Watrobsky introduced the 2023/2024 Board of Directors and Committee heads. (See attached). There were also several updates to the calendar which had been updated and posted on the IB website: riverviewib.com. IBPO Text messaging – opt in, you will only receive 2 texts per year.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Kami Yaegers reported that there are 149 members to date. This is an annual membership and needs to be renewed yearly. This is one of two money makers for IB. If you have not collected your Tervis Tumbler they are available for pick up from Mrs. Ellis in the IB office or at the Open House on September 13th.

WEBSITE UPDATE

Alice Moe updated us that she is working on bring the website up to date and working with our social media representative on Facebook and Instagram pages. Alice will be doing updates once a month and encourages everyone to like both our Facebook and Instagram pages so items will show up in your feed.

UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Check our newsletters and the IB website for upcoming events.

COLLEGE REP VISITS

Deb Goldberg/Cathy Leetzow/Qiang Fitzgerald: College representatives visiting Riverview Seniors and Juniors through the College Resource Center run by Amp Campbell sets schedules which can be found on the students' event page. Students must sign up for the event. Parents can find the schedule on Signup Genius, the IB website, and posted on school links. Committee members meet and greet representatives, present them with a goodie bag and escort them to the College Resource Center.

TEACHER APPRECIATION

Suzanne Shkorupa announced that her committee will once again be honoring and appreciating all Riverview teachers, not only IB teachers, with a creative coffee cart once a month. Clever Cup was a great sponsor last year and will continue this year. The August cart will be gifting each teacher with a bento box with the IB logo. There are approximately 145 teachers currently, so we figure on 160 teachers/counselors/admin and day care. Every other month the committee will host a larger celebration for all teachers. Please look forward to Signup Genius for donating items and volunteering.

SENIOR BANQUET

Melissa Watrobsky stated the 2024 class banquet would be held on May 16, 2024, at the Hyatt. This is a mini graduation banquet to honor graduating IB students, not a dance. Students will receive their stoles which they will wear at graduation. It is a fabulous event and a great opportunity to volunteer. Please keep an eye out for sponsorship opportunities.

SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATES

Ana Palacio handles all social media. Please like our Facebook page so it will come up on your feed with up to day items. Instagram is coming soon.

IB GEAR

Lots of new items and styles with more new items coming this fall. Items can be ordered online and either picked up in the office or mailed. We will be set up in the breezeway for open house on September 13th. Orientation sales, for 2 days, totaled \$2591.00.

NEW BUSINESS

If you have a different email, you would like us to use, please email us. If you unsubscribed, you would have to resubscribe.

Fall SAT/ACT Prep course will be \$175.00 per student to be held October 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31st With Wendy Dunn. 25 students required with a max of 30, IB students get priority then open to all.

PSAT will be going digital. Information will be distributed as soon as received.

President Watrobsky encouraged everyone to get involved; that there are many levels of volunteering. Keep an eye out for Signup Genius and monthly newsletters. All committees would be meeting in the next 30 days however you can volunteer or join at any time.

COMMENTS

Parent commented about the congestion and busses in the parking lot. Principal Haughey noted that it is the beginning of the year and would improve quickly as everyone, including bus drivers, get acclimated.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, September 12th at 10:30 am in principals conference room and on zoom

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:36 am

Respectfully

Submitted by Cathy Leetzow, Secretary