



## **Riverview High School International Baccalaureate Parent Organization IBPO Board of Directors Meeting September 12, 2023**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 10:01 am

### **ESTABLISH A QUORUM/ROLL CALL**

Present: Dr. Minor, Melissa Watrobsky, Alice Moe, Cathy Leetzow, Jamie Black, Suzanne Shkorupa, Qiang Fitzgerald, Deb Goldberg. Kami Yaegers via Zoom

### **WELCOME BY THE PRESIDENT**

President, Melissa Watrobsky, called the meeting to order at 10:01 am.

### **PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE**

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### **IB COORDINATORS UPDATE**

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### **Treasurers Report** – Jamie Black

Reported on income from Gear sales, IBPO memberships and ACT/SAT income. Discussion ensued.

### **PRESIDENTS REPORT** - Melissa Watrobsky

9<sup>th</sup> grade breakfast, chaired by Mary Beth Afflerback, had plenty of volunteers and donations which helped immensely toward a great turnout.

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT** – Kami Yaegers

To date there are 186 members out of over 800 IB student families. Last year at this time there were 178 members.

### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – October 10<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 am

### **ADJOURNMENT** – 10:33 am

Respectfully submitted by Cathy Leetzow, Secretary



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### **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by President Watrobsky at 10:32 am

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### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT - Kami Yaegers**

There are currently 186 IBPO members. She reminded everyone that this is an annual membership and needs to be renewed yearly. Going forward information will only be going to members of the IBPO. Depending upon the level of membership you can pick up your Tervis tumbler at the front desk or with Mrs. Ellis in the IB office. Gear discounts can be used in person or online.

#### **COLLEGE REP VISITS – Deb Goldberg/Cathy Leetzow**

College representative visits can be found on school links or on the IB home page. This gives your student a face-to-face visit with college representatives. Students can contact Amp Campbell in the College Resource Center for more information and passes.

#### **TEACHER APPRECIATION – Suzanne Shkorupa**

Committee met to discuss Coffee Cart and Special Events for all teachers. September 29<sup>th</sup> will be the first

coffee cart. Committee members will be taking a specific month to design the cart and what is being offered. Special events will be held monthly. Dates have been submitted for approval with the principal. Discussion ensued.

### **SENIOR BANQUET** - Melissa Watrobsky

Committee had first meeting in September. The sponsorship flyer has been updated and will be handed out at the open house. Banquet will be held at the Hyatt on May 16, 2024. There are many senior parents on committee this a great opportunity for underclassmen parents to get involved. Next meeting will be held at the Hyatt to walk thru the venue. Date to be announced. Discussion ensued.

### **SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATES** - Ana Palacio

Please like our Facebook page so it will come up on your feed with up-to-date items. Instagram is coming soon.

### **IB GEAR** – Deb Goldberg/Cathy Leetzow

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.

### **9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BREAKFAST** - Mary Beth Afflerbeck

Thank you to all the many parents who helped with the great turnout. Der Dutchman donated pastries, Detweillers donated a gift card to purchase fruit and Dunkin Donuts donated donuts.

### **IB Parent Coffee** – Qiang Fitzgerald

First parent coffee held at Clever Cup Coffee. Almost 40 parents participated! Look forward to notice of the next gathering.

### **11<sup>th</sup> GRADE PINNING CEREMONY** – Alice Moe & Qiang Fitzgerald

To be held in the RPAC on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Committee meeting to be held at Clever Cup Coffee on September 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:45 am (Parent social to follow at 8:45am). Discussion ensued.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

President Watrobsky encouraged everyone to get involved; 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**

-Rebecca Lewis announced that Rod Dragash is heading up the senior wall this year. You can find information and online forms at: [rhsfoundation.org/senior-story-wall/](https://rhsfoundation.org/senior-story-wall/) or contact [Rod.Dragash@sarasotacountyschools.net](mailto:Rod.Dragash@sarasotacountyschools.net)

-The question was asked if 11<sup>th</sup> grade students can attend the SAT prep class. Discussion ensued.

-Doctor Minor was asked if there was any plan to do an overview of IB for parents – Dr. Minor would investigate and possibly obtain a proposal on hiring a film teacher to shoot a series of parent educational podcasts. Item tabled for more discussion to October's meeting.

### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am in principals conference room and on zoom

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 11:33 am

### **Respectfully**

Submitted by Cathy Leetzow, Secretary



## 2023-2024 IBPO Board of Directors and Committees

### Melissa Watrobsky, President

Kamie Yeagers, Co Vice President    Alice Moe, Co Vice President

Cathy Leetzow, Secretary            Jamie Black, Treasurer

### Members At Large

Suzanne Shkorupa    Wendi Gengler    Qiang Fitzgerald    Joy MacDonald

COMMITTEE	COMMITTEE CHAIR	DATE
Orientation	Melissa Watrobsky/Kami Yeagers/Alice Moe	Sr/Jr July 31 <sup>st</sup> Soph/Fresh Aug 1 <sup>st</sup>
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade IB Breakfast with Principal	Mary Beth Afflerback	September 7 <sup>th</sup>
IB Parent Coffee with the Principal	Qiang Fitzgerald	September 8 <sup>th</sup>
College Representative Visits	Debbie Goldberg/Cathy Leetzow/Qiang Fitzgerald	School Year
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade Pinning Ceremony	Alice Moe/Qiang Fitzgerald	November 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Sophomore Committee	Alice Moe/Kami Yeagers	January 11, Feb 14, March 4, April 4
IB Recognition Ceremony	Megan Olson	March 28 <sup>th</sup>
Teacher Appreciation	Suzanne Shkorupa/ Kami Yeagers/Wendi Gengler	School Year
Proctor IB Exams	Suzanne Shkorupa	May
IB Gear Committee	Debbie Goldberg/Cathy Leetzow Kathleen O'Connor/Jamie Black	School Year
IB Website/Facebook	Ana Palacio	School Year
IB Information Night	Melissa Watrobsky	November 29 <sup>th</sup>
IB Registration Night	Melissa Watrobsky	April 15 <sup>th</sup>
IB Banquet	Melissa Watrobsky Co-Chairs: Alice Moe & Kami Yeagers	May 16 <sup>th</sup>
IB Parent Social	Qiang Fitzgerald	TBD