

Minutes of the 2013-14 IHSA Student Advisory Committee Meeting

November 17, 2013

The IHSA Student Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office in Bloomington, Illinois, on Sunday, November 17, 2013 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were: District 2 Kelly Crofton Chicago (St. Ignatius College Prep); District 3 Claire Mueller, Chicago (Mother McAuley); District 4 Emily Fung, Skokie (Niles West); District 5 Trent Hanselmann, Carpentersville (Dundee Crown); District 6 Marissa Miller, Wauconda; District 7 Barret Benson, Hinsdale (South); District 8, Jacob Platt, Tinley Park (Andrew.); District 9 Milena Singletary Joliet (Central), District 11 Drew Pranka, Princeton; District 12 Kayla Haines, Seneca;); District 14 Nicholas Reis, Newton; District 15 Emily Farris, Flanagan-Cornell; District 16 Katie Karssen, Knoxville; District 17 Kathleen Kelly, Carlinville; District 18 Blake Suhling, Riverton; District 19 Rachel Donald, Dupo; District 20 Abby Ratermann, Breese (Central) and IHSA Assistant Executive Director Beth Sauser were in attendance. Not in attendance: District 1 Kenny Dumaz, Chicago (Northside College Prep); District 10 Devin Hartman, Lanark (Eastland); District 13 Austin Maltiba, Champaign (Central) and District 21 Avery English, Carterville

RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION:

1. **Recommendation:** Develop an online newsletter giving member school students an opportunity to share what's going on in their schools throughout the state. SAC members will request students to submit information highlighting their school and students.

Rationale: The SAC members would like to give students the opportunity to contribute and connect with others students throughout the state. The newsletter will contain photos of teams and fans; articles written by students addressing leadership, sportsmanship, communication; interviews with administrators and coaches; a day in the life of...etc.

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2. **Recommendation:** The committee recommends an annual retreat for the Student Advisory Committee be held each summer. Schedule the 2014 SAC Retreat for August 3 and 4, 2014.

Rationale: The goal of the annual retreat is to meet with the members, bond, and start building our team before the school year begins. The retreat will also serve as the first scheduled meeting for all new and returning committee members. The 2013 retreat was very successful.

Approved

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS:

1. The meeting was led by: Valerie Fung, Kayla Haines, Emily Farris, Katie Karssen and Trent Hanselmann
2. The 2013 Leadership Conference review:
 - a. Harvey Alston was great.
 - b. Adding co-moderators from each SAC school enhanced the experience
 - c. Liked the conference workbook
 - d. Groups liked the video and hands-on activities
 - e. "Spread the Word" video was well received
 - f. Use more ice breakers during the day
 - g. Ask school administrators to choose students who display leadership qualities.
 - i. Students that display potential qualities as a leader
 - ii. Prefer that Freshman and Sophomores attend
 - iii. The participants need to be vocal or not afraid to add to the conversation
 - h. Conduct the conference at different sites throughout the state.
 - i. Wi-Fi did not always work so presenters need dvd's as back up
 - j. Continue hosting the conference every two years.
 - k. Do not include lunch so schools can leave at 1pm?
 - l. Send out email in February as a follow up to attendees.
3. SAC members will create and record audio/video messages to appear on the IHSA website and at state tournaments. The messages are also available to member schools to use at their discretion. Taping will occur on February 9, 2014.
4. SAC members wish to create an information video to showcase the committee. This video will be viewed at different conferences and the Town Meetings.
5. Interview coaches about the different aspects of leadership and their expectations. Show these videos on the IHSA website
6. Future meeting dates
 - a. Sunday, February 9, 2014 at the IHSA office
 - b. Sunday, April 6, 2014 at the IHSA office