

Minutes of the 2013-14 IHSA Student Advisory Committee Meeting

April 27, 2014

The IHSA Student Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office in Bloomington, Illinois, on Sunday, April 27, 2014 beginning at 9:15 a.m. Committee members present were: District 2 Crofton Kelly, Chicago (St. Ignatius College Prep); District 3 Claire Mueller, Chicago (Mother McAuley); District 4 Valerie Fung, Skokie (Niles West); District 4 Barrington Wade, Skokie (Niles North); District 5 Trent Hanselmann, Carpentersville (Dundee Crown); District 5 Alexandra Buckley, Carpentersville (Dundee-Crown); District 6 Marissa Miller, Wauconda; District 8 John Roberts, Oak Lawn (Community); District 9 Milena Singletary Joliet (Central); District 10 Patrick Gustafson, Freeport (Aquin); District 11 Koby Stropes, Orion; District 12 Kelsey Bartman, Metamora; District 13 Austin Maltbia, Champaign (Centennial); 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); District 21 Avery English, Carterville and IHSA Assistant Executive Director Beth Sauser. Not in attendance: District 1 Kenny Dumez, (Chicago (Northside College Prep); District 8 Jacob Platt, Tinley Park (Andrew); District 7 Barret Benson, Darien (Hinsdale South); District 12 Kayla Haines, Seneca

RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION:

1. **Recommendation:** Each SAC member must serve on one State Final Sportsmanship Committee during a school year as part of their membership responsibilities.

Rationale: Committee members want to contribute, participate and be more visible throughout the state.

Approved

2. **Recommendation:** Create an online “Greatest IHSA School Fans” video contest for each sport season.

Rationale: The committee members want student bodies throughout the state to show how their fans cheer on their teams during each sport season.

Approved

3. **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 could contain photos of teams and fans, articles written by student addressing leadership, sportsmanship, communication, interviews with administrators and coaches; a day in the life of...etc.

Approved

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS:

1. Welcomed new SAC members and their parents. The senior SAC members conducted a mini SAC orientation.

2. SAC member projects April – July:
 - a. May 18 – SAC members hand a questionnaire to one Administrator/Coach and another questionnaire to a student to share their views on various topics (the different aspects of leadership and their expectations, communication, best practices etc.). Once completed, send back to IHSA to post online. If successful, ask member school administrators and students to complete online questions to post their thoughts or ideas for the rest of the state to review and use.
 - b. May 25 - All SAC Bios and Photos are due
 - c. June 8 - SAC groups submit their outlines for audio and video PSAs to IHSA office
 - d. June 22 – Group PSA #1 and #2 complete
 - e. July 13 - Group PSA #3 and #4 complete
 - f. July 23 – Completed PSAs from all groups due in IHSA office
 - g. August 4 – Tape PSA’s during the SAC retreat

3. SAC members wish to create an information video to showcase the committee. The goal is for the video to be shown at different conferences, Town Meetings and made available through the School Center.

4. The SAC Board members to assist in guiding the future of the SAC.
 - SAC Meeting Manager: Plans and conducts each meeting: Kathleen Kelly
 - Secretary: Takes notes during each SAC meeting: Austin Maltbia
 - Facebook Coordinators: Updates the SAC page: Emily Farris

5. Project group members and liaisons (in bold):

Northwest:

District 1 Kenny Dumez, (Chicago (Northside College Prep);
 District 4 Barrington Wade, Skokie (Niles North);
 District 5 Alexandra Buckley, Carpentersville (Dundee-Crown);
District 6 Marissa Miller, Wauconda;
 District 10 Patrick Gustafson, Freeport (Aquin);

Northeast:

District 2 Crofton Kelly, Chicago (St. Ignatius College Prep);
District 3 Claire Mueller, Chicago (Mother McAuley);
 District 7 Barret Benson, Darien (Hinsdale South);
 District 8 John Roberts, Oak Lawn (Community);
 District 9 Milena Singletary Joliet (Central);

Central:

District 11 Koby Stropes, Orion;
 District 12 Kelsey Bartman, Metamora;
 District 13 Austin Maltbia, Champaign (Centennial);
District 15 Emily Farris, Flanagan-Cornell
 District 16 Katie Karssen, Knoxville;

South:

District 14 Nicholas Reis, Newton;
District 17 Kathleen Kelly, Carlinville;
 District 18 Blake Suhling, Riverton;
 District 19 Rachel Donald, Dupo;

District 20 Abby Ratermann, Breese (Central);
District 21 Avery English, Carterville

6. The committee discussed the different student sections in various parts of the state; in some areas the support is strong and in others the support is weak unless the team goes to state.
7. The committee will request of conference leadership programs to send their information and workbooks to Beth Sauser for the SAC to review during the retreat.
8. The committee discussed the need to involve student council members in SAC/ IHSA plans by creating a Student Council tab on the IHSA website. This will allow student council members to share best practices, tips and ideas with each other.
9. The committee discussed SAC retreat topic ideas:
 - Teams “adopting” one another when out of season
 - Creating super fan groups; captain’s roles information
 - Public speaking
 - How to work with administrators/club moderators/teachers in increasing student leadership rolls
 - How conferences conduct administrator/team captain meetings prior to the season or prior to big games
 - Student Council involvement
10. The committee thanked and recognized the seniors for their service to the SAC: Valerie Fung, Trent Hanselmann, Jacob Platt and Kayla Haines.
11. Future meeting dates
 - a. Sunday, August 3, 2014 SAC Retreat IHSA Office, Bloomington, Illinois
 - b. Monday, August 4, 2014 SAC Retreat IHSA Office, Bloomington, Illinois
 - c. Sunday, November 16, 2014 IHSA Office, Bloomington, Illinois
 - d. Sunday, February 8, 2015, IHSA Office, Bloomington, Illinois
 - e. Sunday, April 12, 2015 IHSA Office, Bloomington, Illinois