

Minutes of the 2015-16 IHSA Student Advisory Committee Meeting

April 10, 2016

The IHSA Student Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office in Bloomington, Illinois, on Sunday, April 10, 2016 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were: District 1 Lorena Soria, Chicago (Resurrection College Prep); District 2 Hannah Contreras, Chicago (St. Ignatius College Prep); District 4 Benita Varanauskaite, Hoffman Estates (H.S.); District 6 Jacob Potthoff, Woodstock (Marian); District 6 Marissa Miller, Wauconda; District 7 Leslie Huerta, Berwyn-Cicero (Morton); District 8 Celine Ratulowski, Lemont; District 9 Sara Swanberg, New Lenox (Lincoln-Way Central); District 10 Patrick Gustafson, Freeport (Aquino); District 11 Koby Stropes, Orion; District 12 Kelsey Bartman, Metamora; District 13 Jacob Rajlich, Urbana (University); District 13 Kendall Woods, Champaign (Central); District 14 Dalton Armes, Windsor; District 15 Mahlik Helm, Bloomington (H.S.); District 16 Nathan Erickson, Knoxville; District 17 Ellie Abell, Jacksonville (Routt Catholic); District 18 Neal Scheuermann Deer Creek-Mackinaw; District 19 Rachael Donald, Dupon; District 19 Isaiah Mizell, Granite City; District 20 Paige Kasten, Nashville; District 21 Austin Knight, Carlinville; and IHSA Assistant Executive Director Beth Sauser.

Not in attendance: District 3 Claire Mueller, Chicago (Mother McAuley); District 3 Grace Hynes, Chicago (Mother McAuley); District 5 Alexandra Buckley, Carpentersville (Dundee-Crown); District 7 Barret Benson, Darien Hinsdale (South); District 8 John Roberts, Oak Lawn (Community); District 20 Abby Ratermann, Breese (Central); District 21 Avery English, Carterville.

RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION:

1. **Recommendation:** The committee recommends to host the annual Student Advisory Committee retreat on July 31 and August 1, 2016.

Rationale: During the retreat, members will have time to meet with each other outside of the IHSA office, prepare for the Student Leadership Conference, record PSA's, and start to build our team and bond before the school year begins. The retreat will also serve as the first scheduled meeting for the 2016-17 committee members.

Approved

2. **Recommendation:** The committee recommends the SAC host another statewide Leadership Conference in September of 2017.

Rationale: To continue to offer IHSA member school students the opportunity to attend a statewide leadership conference conducted by the SAC.

Approved

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS:

1. Send an email to all Administrators announcing Student Section Showdown will begin on September 1, 2016.
2. SAC will talk with people from area schools to get involved. Use social media to encourage participation.

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

4. SAC members approved the current SAC Mission Statement for the 2016-17 school year:

The Student Advisory Committee is a group of students who participate in diverse interscholastic athletics and activities. The SAC promotes the sportsmanship and integrity ideals of the Illinois High School Association. We focus on providing leadership and communication between participants, administrators and fans of IHSA activities.

The IHSA SAC is made up of 21 students from high schools throughout Illinois.

The Student Advisory Committee is creating student leaders for tomorrow, today.

5. SAC members approved the SAC Member Requirements for the 2016-17 school year.

Offense	Consequence
Miss 1 meeting	Warning
Miss 2 meetings	Dismissal from SAC
Serious School Violation, Suspension etc.	Review and vote by SAC members
Sport/Activity ejection	Case by case review
Substance abuse or break a law	Immediate dismissal
Members who do not serve on at least 1 State Final Sportsmanship Committee per year	Dismissal from SAC

6. 2016-17 Project groups. NOTE: Bold name denotes group liaison and snapchat coordinator

Northwest:

- District 1 **Lorena Soria, Chicago (Resurrection CP);**
- District 4 Benita Varanauskaite, Hoffman Estates;
- District 5 Alexandra Buckley, Carpentersville (D-C);
- District 6 Jacob Potthoff, Marian Central;
- District 10 Patrick Gustafson, Freeport (Aquin);

Northeast:

- District 2 **Hannah Contreras, Chicago (St. Ignatius CP);**
- District 3 Grace Hynes, Chicago (Mother McAuley);
- District 7 Leslie Huerta, Berwyn-Cicero (Morton);
- District 8 Celine Ratulowski, Lemont;
- District 9 Sara Swanberg, New Lenox (L-W Central);

Central:

- District 11 Koby Stropes, Orion;
- District 12 Kelsey Bartman, Metamora;**
- District 13 Kendall Woods, Champaign (Central);
- District 15 Mahlik Helm, Bloomington (HS)
- District 16 Nathan Erickson, Knoxville;
- District 18 Neal Scheuermann, Deer Creek-Mackinaw;

South:

- District 14 Dalton Armes, Windsor;
- District 17 Ellie Abell, Jacksonville (Routt Catholic);
- District 19 Isaiah Mizell, Granite City;

District 20 Paige Kasten, Nashville;
District 21 Austin Knight, Carterville

7. The SAC Board members to assist in guiding the future of the SAC:
 - SAC Meeting Manager: Plans and conducts each meeting: Kelsey Bartman
 - Secretary: Takes notes during each SAC meeting: Hannah Contreras
 - Facebook Coordinator: Paige Kasten
 - Activities Coordinator: Neal Scheuermann
 - Photographer and Videographer: Patrick Gustafson
 - Twitter Coordinator: Malik Helm
8. Annually create a video of the SAC members throughout the course of the year: at the Leadership Conference, during meetings, the retreat etc. Use the video to show to new SAC members and post on the IHSA website.
9. Discussed the challenges that students face while they balance academics with athletics and activities. SAC members will post tips, quotes and information on an open Facebook page for all.
10. The committee thanked and recognized the seniors for their service to the SAC: Claire Mueller, Marissa Miller, Barret Benson, John Roberts, Rachael Donald, Abby Ratermann, Avery English.
11. Future meeting dates
 - a. Sunday, July 31, 2016 SAC Retreat Bloomington, IL (3pm stay overnight at the hotel)
 - b. Monday, August 1, 2016 SAC Retreat Bloomington, IL (10am – 3pm)
 - c. Sunday, September 25, 2016, Conference Call (TBD)
 - d. Sunday, November 13, 2016, Bloomington, Illinois (10am – 3pm)
 - e. Sunday, January 15, 2017, Conference Call (TBD)
 - f. Sunday, February, 12, 2017, Bloomington, Illinois (9am – 3pm)
 - g. Sunday, April 2, 2017, Bloomington, Illinois (10am – 3pm)