

Minutes of the 2016-17 IHSA Student Advisory Committee Meeting

April 2, 2017

The IHSA Student Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office in Bloomington, Illinois, on Sunday, April 2, 2017 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were: District 1 Lorena Soria, Chicago (Resurrection College Prep); District 1 Kayla Dutton, Chicago (Lane Tech); District 2 Hannah Contreras, Chicago (St. Ignatius College Prep); District 3 Grace Hynes, Chicago (Mother McAuley.); District 4 Benita Varanauskaite, Hoffman Estates (H.S.); District 5 Alexandra Buckley, Carpentersville (Dundee-Crown); District 5 Sam Arsenault, Aurora (West Aurora); District 6 Jacob Potthoff, Woodstock (Marian); District 7 Leslie Huerta, Berwyn-Cicero (Morton); Lemont; District 9 Sara Swanberg, New Lenox (Lincoln-Way Central); District 10 Catie Daily, Machesney Park (Harlem); District 11 Olivia Nuckles, Cambridge; District 12 Kelsey Bartman, Metamora; District 12 Preston Lewis, Mendota; District 13 Kendall Woods, Champaign (Central); District 14 Dalton Armes, Windsor; District 15 Mahlik Helm, Bloomington (H.S.); District 15 Matthew Kovich, Downs (Tri-Valley); District 16 Nathan Erickson, Knoxville; District 17 Ellie Abell, Jacksonville (Routt Catholic); District 18 Neal Scheuermann Deer Creek-Mackinaw; District 19 Rachael Donald, Dupo; Granite City; District 21 Austin Knight, Carlerville; and IHSA Assistant Executive Director Beth Sauser.

Not in attendance: District 2 Ben Perez, Chicago (St. Ignatius College Prep); District 8 Celine Ratulowski, Lemont (HS); District 19 Isaiah Mizell, Granite City; District 20 Paige Kasten, Nashville.

RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION:

1. **Recommendation:** The committee recommends to host the annual Student Advisory Committee retreat on July 30 and July 31, 2017.

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 2017-18 committee members.

Approved

2. **Recommendation:** The committee recommends the SAC host the biennial statewide Leadership Conference in September 25, 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, 2017.
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 Future Projects:
 - a. Hand out prizes to attendees at the Student Leadership Conference
 - b. Create opportunities to recognize in all sports and activities
 - c. Partner more with Unified Sports at different events
 - d. Create a guide to help students through the college decision making process
 - e. Market the IHSA Student Advisory Committee so students throughout the state are informed.

5. SAC members approved the current SAC Mission Statement for the 2017-18 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 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.

6. 2017 SAC Retreat Topics
 - a. Leadership Training
 - b. Public Speaking Training
 - c. Leadership Conference Preparation
 - d. Ice Breakers
 - e. Create and Film PSA's

7. NFHS NSLS
 - a. SAC attendance is optional
 - b. Online application is due April 15, 2017
 - c. Students from Lake Zurich will be in attendance
 - d. Representatives for Unified SOILL will be in attendance

8. SAC members approved the SAC Member Requirements for the 2017-18 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

2017-2018 SAC Board Members to assist in guiding the future of the SAC:

SAC Meeting Manager: Plans and conducts each meeting: Nate Erickson

Secretary: Takes notes during each SAC meeting: Ellie Abell

Facebook Coordinator: Isaiah Mizell

Activities Coordinator: Grace Hynes

Photographer and Videographer: Leslie Huerta

Twitter Coordinator: Austin Knight

Liaisons: NW - Jake Pothoff; NE – Sara Swanberg; C - Neal Scheuermann; S – Austin Knight

9. 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.
10. 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.
11. The committee thanked and recognized the seniors for their service to the SAC: Lorena Soria, Hannah Contreras, Ali Buckley, Patrick Gustafson, Koby Stropes Kelsey Bartman and Mahlik Helm.

12. Future meeting dates

Sunday, May 14, 2017, Conference Call	TBD
Sunday, July 30, 2017 SAC Retreat @ IHSA Office Double Tree Hotel, Bloomington, IL	3:00pm – 10pm
Monday, July 31, 2017 SAC Retreat @ IHSA Office	8:30am – 3:00pm
Sunday, August 27, 2017 @ IHSA Office Conference rehearsal with partner	10:00am – 3:00pm
Sunday, September 10, 2017, Conference Call?	TBD
Sunday, September 24, 2017, Peoria, IL Embassy Suites in East Peoria, IL	2:00pm arrival
Monday, September 25, 2017, Peoria, Illinois Pick up from the PCC	3:00pm
Sunday, October 15, 2017, Conference Call	TBD
Sunday, December 3, 2017, @ IHSA Office	10:00am – 3:00pm
Sunday, January 21, 2018, Conference Call	TBD
Sunday, February, 11, 2018, @ IHSA Office	9:30am – 3:00pm
Sunday, April 15, 2018 @ IHSA Office	1:00am – 3:00pm

2017-18 Project groups - Bold name denotes group liaison and snapchat coordinator

Northwest:

District 1 Kayla Dutton, Chicago (Lane Tech);
District 4 Benita Varanauskaite, Hoffman Estates;
District 5 Sam Arsenault, Aurora (West Aurora);
District 6 Jacob Potthoff, Marian Central;
District 10 Catherine Daily, Machesney Park
(Harlem);

Northeast:

District 2 Ben Perez, 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 West);

Central:

District 11 Olivia Nuckles, Cambridge;
District 12 Preston Lewis, Mendota
District 13 Kendall Woods, Champaign (Central);
District 15 Matthew Kovich, Downs (Tri-Valley)
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;

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