Rocky Mountain Association of IB World Schools



General Meeting Minutes

Friday, January 14, 2011 Adams 12 Educational Support Center 11:30-2:30

President – Jan Lotter
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Agenda

Welcome

• Jan Lotter welcomed

Adoption of Minutes from November

• Adopted with changes (Bethany piece for Keystone reunion & date change)

Treasurers Report – include November symposium income and expenses

• \$94,000 in checking \$300,000 in savings. Will continue to increase with Keystone registration. Symposium=Cover expenses and a little left over. Scholarships will be getting an increase to \$10,000 (from \$5000) to be decided how to divide and award by the committee. Give input for symposium topics...went well.

Committee updates

- · Scholarship (Patricia Wetmore)
 - o Process is paperless; on the IBARMS website. Targeting those students that have needs. \$10,000 to divide. Past have been \$5000 plus \$1000 from IB Source. Deadline April 2nd.
- · Grants presentation of grants (Jennifer Simms)
 - Schools that were awarded grants received checks. Lincoln Middle School

 fundraiser dinner for Nicaragua trip. Hinkley High School Taste of IB;
 Aurora Hills Middle School- Photography project, Heritage Middle school

 International Towne, Hinkley High School IB Garden, Mesa Middle school-HawkQuest, North Middle School Swaddling Blanket project
- · Keystone Conference (Nanci & Lori)
 - o Registration has opened. Approval for workshop leaders...will be getting invites. Volunteers/committee members will be meeting in April and Nanci

will be emailing you. Apprentices: Dorsee Johnson-Tucker and Debbie Tucker were introduced. Workshops filling up –173 registrations

IB Student Summit (Bethany Lambrecht)

• 72 interested alumni to participate this summer. Keystone Science school June 27-30. Students will present at plenary for Keystone workshop. Registration coming out to IBARMS folks for 1st registration, and then early Feb open up. Potential to be a retreat for future years. If numbers get larger, would like to utilize DP teachers. Cost \$475. DP and MYP coordinators will get emails. Open to students entering DP to just graduated.

Peace Jam Foundation /earthforce/pennies harvest(Jes Ward)

- Presented about the foundation, what's up, purpose and service learning. What is service learning. 21st century readiness skills. What is Peace Jam. High quality service learning objective. What's the difference between community service and service learning. Community service is "going to a party" and service learning is "throwing the party". Meaningful service...meaningful experience. What is a real community need? Shared about an upcoming service learning project leading with students from the School of Mines. What is the need and not the assumption of the need. Look at the root causes. How can we address the root causes. Strong link to curriculum. Reflection as key to the process. What could that look like beyond writing or discussion. Service learning guide on the cde website for reflection techniques. Students are more likely to attend and not ditch classes that infuse service learning. Big connections to focus on closing the achievement gap/drop out rate and works for all students.
- How to get students to think locally and not \$ raising. Penny Harvest to make beyond charity. Start first with a good community assessment. Look in newsletter for examples, community walk (evidence of global issue in local community),
- How to support large variety of projects practice of goals/limitation for our projects (we set some and students set some...reality checks, we only have 10 weeks, only have capacity to support 3 projects...), community needs, what are our skills and talents
- Service learning training coming up next Friday, 1-21-11 locally
- Help student with organizational skills, how to get to consensus/choosing a project,
- Jes Ward 303-455-2099 (networks across the state)

Stop. The. Talk (Kaitlyn, student)

• Kaitlyn Ventevenga (8th grade) promoted her initiative (Mesa Middle School) Stop.The.Talk. Presented video about the bullying statistics, the student point of view and a movement inititative that she has created to begin to address the issue. She asked everyone on January 26th to stop the talk...be silent and promote it to other IB schools and the US and/or world. Spoke to the IB Learner Profile influence on who she is and the actions she took. Explained reasoning and information/history to creating the group "Agents of Change". A day of peace. Can pledge to not use hurtful words. Want to promote a caring and positive environment.

Elections of Officers

- Treasurer, DP/MYP/PYP Representatives open
- Please submit bios to Jan Lotter by March 15th.