# Rocky Mountain Association of IB World Schools



### **IBARMS General Session Minutes**

11:30 a.m. Adams 12 Educational Support Center November 4, 2011

**IBARMS Theme for 2011-12 -** *How do we strengthen the Continuum?* 

President – Nanci Morse
Secretary – Racinda Godbold
PYP Representative - Paul Schkade
DP Representative - Julie Webster
Conference Director - Debbie Getzel
Conference Coordinator - Dorsee Johnson-Tucker

President-elect - open Treasurer - Sue Wagoner (absent) MYP Representative - Nikki Stansfield Past President – Jan Lotter Executive Assistant - Lori Dowd

# **Agenda**

#### Welcome and Thank You!

President Nanci Morse welcomed all attendees to the general session. Nanci also welcomed all new guests including administrators who have traveled here to attend the special administrator breakout session.

## Minutes from September 23, 2011

The minutes were approved as written.

## Treasurer's Report

Lori Dowd reported that we have \$66,000 in checking and \$404,000 in savings. Lori explained the reason for a large sum is that we have credits for tomorrow's Symposium with registrations, but expenses haven't been paid.

## **Old Business**

## **Symposium**

Symposium for PYP, MYP, and DP will be held tomorrow November 5 at Denver West High School. This is NOT OFFICIAL TRAINING. There are openings for MYP, DP, and Continuum sessions, but all PYP sessions are closed.

#### **Orientation**

The IBA-sanctioned Orientation to the Three IB Programs (PYP, MYP, DP) was cancelled due to low registration.

## **New Business**

## **Keystone 2012**

The dates for Keystone 2012 are June 28-July 1. The early registration window for IBARMS members will be January 2-16. Registration will end May 31.

#### **Executive Board Elections**

In January, we will be asking for members to consider running for executive offices. Open positions include PYP, MYP, & DP representatives, President-elect, and Secretary.

## **Special Projects Seed Money**

Anyone wishing to be on the committee, please contact Jennifer Simms: <a href="mailto:simms">simms</a> jennifer@stvrain.k12.co.us</a>. Applications are due November 30 and are found at: <a href="https://www.ibarms.org/">https://www.ibarms.org/</a> assets/ pdf/PROJECT\_PROPOSAL\_2011-12.pdf

## **Keynote Speaker**

Nonye Oladimeji, an IB educator from Virginia, spoke about Access to IB Programs. "How do we help all students succeed in IB?"

## **Next IBARMS Meeting is January 20th**

Margot Hoerrner, Head of Professional Development in the Americas, will speak during the general session. Margot is currently working on revising policies to help streamline professional development activities throughout the Americas region, and one of her top priorities is to increase face time at workshops, school visits, and other IB activities so that the IB community can get to know our team.

http://www.ibo.org/iba/workshops/ibaprofessionaldevelopment.cfm

#### **Breakout Sessions**

Four breakout sessions were offered. Participants chose from PYP, MYP, & DP sessions facilitated by program representatives and an Administrator break-out session led by Nonye Oladimeji for administrators.