

IBARMS General Session Minutes

11:30 a.m.

Adams 12 Educational Support Center

April 20, 2012

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

MYP Representative - Nikki Stansfield

Past President – Jan Lotter

Executive Assistant - Lori Dowd

Agenda

Welcome and Table Talk

President Nanci Morse welcomed members to the general session and directed members to complete a reflective activity of “Table Talk” to review the Aims and Goals of IBARMS and give input for effectiveness and areas to focus improvement.

PYP Exhibition, MYP Personal Projects, and DP Extended Essay Presentations

- *The PYP Exhibition presentation was given in both English and Spanish by Cassidy Bargell, Delani Bargell, and Sydney Vargo, three students from Dillon Valley Elementary. They presented their perspectives about the exhibition, what they learned about themselves as a learner, how to work successfully in a group, frustrations, advice for teachers & mentors, and a reminder to have fun!*
- *The MYP Personal Project presentation included “Brain Monsters” by Alexis White a sophomore at Thornton High School. She explained her project, shared what she was most proud of, gave advice for choosing a topic which included a personal relevance factor, and answered questions from the audience.*
- *The DP Extended Essay process was presented by Perrin Tourangeau from George Washington High School. Highlights include beginning with an extended essay extravaganza, learning to research at Auraria Campus Day, considering perspectives and creating a thesis statement, and writing the 4,000 word essay. Personal reflection of learning from the experience was shared and questions from the audience addressed.*

Taking Action

Nanci shared a YouTube video from the students at Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in response to a TV report Diane Sawyer did about their home titled “More than that...” This would be a possible exemplar to use with students to see another example of action.

Standing Reports

Minutes from January 20, 2012 IBARMS General Session

The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Sue Wagoner gave the treasurer's report: checking - \$136,000; savings - \$726,000. The amount in savings is high because Keystone registrations are in but payments have not been made yet.

Committees

- **Keystone Report**

- *There are still workshops open. Please register before May 15th.*

- **Scholarships**

- *Patricia Wetmore announced that there were 28 applicants for scholarships this year.*

IBARMS awarded 11 scholarships to the following students:

Kayla Fertman-Smoky Hill	Alejandro Garcia-Niwot	Ruth Ryan-Smoky Hill
Euna Chung-Smoky Hill	Ariel Chang-Cherokee Trail	Margeret Weir-Niwot
Daniel Secor-Poudre	Thelma Pereda-Niwot	Crystal Ho-Thornton
Shamuel Auyeung-Poudre	Diana Peregrino-Pueblo East	

New Business

IBARMS Non-Profit Organization Planning

Nanci introduced Kari Peterson who has been hired to support the executive board in re-visioning and planning for the future of IBARMS as we continue to grow and support the IB schools in our region.

Regional Heads Conference

Nanci presented on the Regional Heads Conference she attended this this spring.

IBARMS Dates for 2012-13

- *Meetings: September 7, November 9 & 10(symposium); January 25; April 12*
- *Keystone: June 30-July 3*

Drawing for conference of the Americas

Congratulations to Curtis Wood! He won the expense paid trip to Cancun!