

## **Minutes PYP Break-out Session IBARMS Meeting December 4, 2009**

Welcome by Diane Jensen (PYP representative to IBARMS)  
Introductions (35 plus schools in attendance)

### Congratulations

Charles Hayes Elementary School (Englewood) was authorized in August!  
Racinda Gotbold and baby Liam Jeffrey Cain are doing well!  
Erin Gordon will be married right before Christmas!

### Important Information about Keystone Conference Registration

Unlike last year, when IBARMS members had early access to registration, registration will be open **to all** on January 1, 2010. IBNA has already posted the workshop on line, so workshops might fill up quickly. Some of the sessions, such as the ICT workshop, have already received interest from a wide range of people. Since several of the offerings are ones that have not been offered locally in a while, we are expecting (hoping) for lots of interest. So if possible, register early to reserve your spot!

Paul Schkade also wanted people to know that the ICT workshop is going to be aimed at how administration and tech support people can structure the use of technology to be more integrated into the school's program.

A link from the IBARMS website to the registration page is already in place. Cost of workshops is \$750.00  
A school may register 8 people per session

### Committee On Speakers

Suggestions for future speakers to IBARMS meetings are being taken. Please contact Nancy Weiss at [nancy\\_weiss@englewood.k12.co.us](mailto:nancy_weiss@englewood.k12.co.us) with names, contact information and biography.

### Legislative Committee

Colleen Larson represents us on this committee which is working on initiatives at the state level to have teacher training programs include an IB component.

Feedback on what IBARMS does well included Professional Development (Keystone Conference, speakers, round tables, visitations to schools). Newcomers expressed that the organization was supportive of them. Financially sound, grants and scholarships.

### Jan 29<sup>th</sup> IBARMS meeting

A question about whether guests may attend to hear Roshan Thomas is being looked into because of the size of the venue. More information coming.

Roshan Thomas will address the general assembly. Venue has been changed to Broomfield. More information to follow.

Maria Hersey will address PYP

Rubicon, a software package that helps with curriculum mapping will provide a Continental Breakfast and presentation before the general meeting (optional)

IB Source will have displays

Then on Saturday, Jan 30, Roshan Thomas will be working with MYP and DP students interested in developing units of study for teachers in Afghanistan. Any PYP teachers who want to facilitate these groups are welcome.

### PYP Round Tables

The Arts and ICT round tables held at Bennett and McGraw in Oct. were very successful

A possible round table on Inquiry is in the works in Summit County the last week of February (Dillon Valley, more details to follow)

A possible round table on RTI under the IB umbrella at Sabin World School this spring

Guidelines on round tables (fees, etc) will be forthcoming

#### Visitations

Whittier had a very successful visitation day in November with 30 people in attendance McGraw, Dunn and Bennett Elementary Schools, IB World Schools in Ft. Collins will be hosting PYP visits on January 22 and April 23. Please contact Paul Schkade to coordinate visits to these three schools.

Contact Diane Jensen of Academy Elementary School or Martha Baker of Rockrimmon World School to arrange visits to PYP schools in the Colorado Springs area.

Contact Debbie Griffith of Dillon Valley World School to visit a Dual Immersion/PYP School Erin Gordon of Eugene Field World School (Littleton) to arrange a visit there.

Corwin International School has also volunteered to host people.

Rockrimmon will be holding their Exhibition in February and would welcome visitors.

#### Exhibition

Please contact Diane Jensen with your exhibition dates if you are willing to host people that day.

#### New Information From IB

There is a new authorization schedule and fee structure on the IB website

Coming soon on the OCC: a position paper on transdisciplinary learning

New scope and sequences for PSPE, the Arts, and information about upcoming on-line courses are also on the OCC. Discussion about on-line courses included that they are time intensive, that it is good to do a class with a colleague, plan to spend at least 3-4 hours a week on line, the courses allow for collaboration with people all over the world, and there are plans to develop about 7 more courses. Please contact Paul Schkade for more information.

#### Information From IBARMS on Keystone Workshops

##### **Workshop venue, accommodation & travel information**

The workshop will take place on **29 June - 2 July 2010** at the Keystone Lodge in **Keystone, CO**. For important details about the workshops venue, accommodation and travel, please visit the [IBARMS website](#).

#### **Primary Years Programme workshops:**

##### **Category 1**

An Introduction to the Standards for Administrators new to the PYP (1A)

An Introduction to the PYP Curriculum Model (1B)

##### **Category 2**

Assessment in the PYP

Collaborative Planning in the PYP

Inquiry in the PYP

The Written Curriculum in the PYP

##### **Category 3**

The Role of Arts in the PYP

The Role of Science & Social Studies in the PYP

The Role of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in the PYP

The Role of Physical Education in the PYP

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Griffith