

Minutes, Executive Board Meeting
 Florida League of IB Schools
 3 December 2013 8.00am-1.00pm
 TradeWinds Resort, St Pete Beach, FL

<p>Board members present (Constitutes a Quorum)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gayle Baisch • Roseanna Rynca • Darrick Buettner • Ralph Cline* • Nicole Dueter • David Flanigan • Kelly George • Alan Hamacher • Jana Hartley • Mary Kanter • Doris Keeler • David LaRosa • Jan Patterson • Pam Stewart* • Sandra Wesson <p>*non-voting members</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Apologies: Teri Bennati Jan Patterson Rachel Goodnow</p>
<p>Guests</p>	<p>Karen Brown, Rosie Browning, Don Driskell, John Cerra</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Topic</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Action</p>
<p>Call to order</p>	<p>President Roseanna Rynca, 8.00am 3 December 2013</p>
<p>Conflict of interest</p>	<p>Forms were submitted and signed by all present voting Board members.</p>
<p>Consent agenda</p>	<p>Minutes from September Board meeting Meeting Preparation schedule ED's Report Provis statements After discussion, approval was Moved: Buettner Seconded: Wesson Passed: Without dissent</p>
<p>Introduction of new Board Member</p>	<p>Dr. Mary Kanter was introduced.</p>
<p>Legal matters</p>	<p>Plaintiff had asked for discovery (which we provided when the interrogatories referred to number of employees but not when they referred to areas to which we had filed objections) and for time to conduct discovery. No action has been taken even though we responded months ago; therefore, we re-filed for dismissal and summary judgment. Plaintiff has not responded.</p>
<p>Budget and finance report</p>	<p>Rosie Browning presented Income and Expenditure statements for the FY so far. Ralph Cline presented the Financial Statement and IRS Form 1099 (FLIBS' tax return). Points discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only about half of authorized schools have paid dues • 98 additional participants were allowed at the workshop, so profits should be up

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laura Lowrimore has done an excellent job of following up on unpaid TTW registrations. We only have receivables of about \$7,000 (against \$1.7M intake). • Our fiscal year is from 1 August to 31 July. • We had an audit 2 years ago and are due for one next year. Audits cost between \$7,000 and \$10,000. This report is a consolidation. <p>Board approved both: <i>Moved: Buettner</i> <i>Seconded: George</i> <i>Passed: Without dissent</i></p>
Workshops report	<p>Don Driskell reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December 2013 DP workshop is largest yet with nearly 700 participants. IBA has been very generous (4 new classes @ 25 each) with allowing us additional sections for this workshop. • Succession planning. This year (2013-14) is Don’s last year as Workshop Manager; next year (2014-2015) he will be the new Manager’s assistant. • Partners (Providers) meeting in Bethesda. Very pleased with the meeting; sees a better attitude toward providers. • 2014 workshops are approved and registration is open on the website. • Leaders not chosen yet; Don needs advice on good leaders (especially for MYP and PYP since we’re doing some new topics this year). No problem with choosing local people. • Don sees no change of philosophy in the IBA regarding workshop providers. • He sees a need to renew the list of available leaders.
Scholarships amounts	Item was moved to “budget adjustments” below.
Board Training	John Cerra distributed a list of important legislators with a bio of each so that Board members would be familiar with those who control education for the state. Sens. Gaetz, Galvano, and Rep. Will Weatherford (Speaker). Rep. O’Toole, chair of Education Committee; Sen. Legg.
Legislative Report	<p>Both Lobbyist and Liaison reports were discussed (handouts associated with this meeting).</p> <p>John Cerra discussed lobbying challenges related to the American History EoC vis a vis the IB History of Americas course.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course Code Directory (CCD) and the FLIBS process for submission to us. FLIBS approves and negotiates with a District to be submitted to DoE. We often use Bay District (Karen Brown’s District) for this purpose. • Current list of courses was distributed along with notations Karen was asked to make at the September Board meeting. “Remove Course” notations are Karen’s suggestions. Math course names have been modified so that universities can understand what is covered in the courses. Changes to MYP course titles were also discussed. This course list will be considered by the members during the DP members’ meetings. Must be submitted to DoE by December 20, 2013. • Report on EoC state-wide meeting (attended by Karen and Jana Hartley). Eye-opening meeting, offering much puzzlement as to how FLIBS should proceed. Statute says that all districts must have EoC’s for all courses by 2014-15.

	<p>Student performance (measured by EoC) to be used on teacher evaluation (usually 50%). If a teacher’s competence can be measured by an EoC that covers most of what he teaches, there is no problem. But the law doesn’t require that an EoC be used. Discussion included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Whether EoC meant end of course or end of year (could a course be two-year—such as Algebra 1A and 1B?) ○ If an IB assessment is used as EoC over two years, how would the 1st year teacher be evaluated? ○ CFAC—Central Florida Assessment Collaborative: to create assessments for 120 “hard to assess” courses. Working on AP courses. ○ Hillsborough working on their own EoC’s. Some concerns that these are just slightly re-tooled, old teacher exams. ○ The difficulty of writing a statewide EoC for History of Americas (HoA) when each teacher can choose the topics covered. Would have to be a bank of “items” from which Districts can choose items that fit their HoA course.
<p>Discussion of recent FL DOE policies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● EoC’s now required of IB students at the end of every year—whether course is over or not. ● Scholar designation on State of FL diplomas—EoC for US History seems at this time to be a major stumbling block (and Bio, and Geometry). ● All current seniors in state took Bio in their freshman years—so entire senior class of the state of FL cannot earn Scholars Diploma unless they took an EoC on a course they took 4 years ago. ● We discussed whether IB internal assessment could be used as EoC ● It would be much more practical (except for US History) for IB students if they started with the 9th grade cohort and grandfathered all the older students. ● Board entered into executive session briefly during this discussion. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Moved: Stewart</i> ○ <i>Seconded: George</i> ○ <i>Passed: Without dissent</i> ○ No motions or actions resulted from the executive session. ● Three-pronged approach: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Karen Brown will provide Board with a list of all IB and Pre-IB courses that are not covered by an EoC. ○ ED will investigate the limits of use of old IB exams sold to authorized schools. ○ ED and John Cerra will talk to Kathy Maczerak and Marlene Ahern of the Florida DoE. John Cerra will set up the meeting and inform the ED.
<p>MYP orientation</p>	<p>ED reported that 32 had registered and session was to be held on 4 December at the TradeWinds. Not all showed, but IB was happy with the crowd. Robert Harrison, Paul Campbell and Ann Wink came from IB.</p>
<p>Data agreement between IB and FL DoE</p>	<p>ED pointed out that an agreement has been reached and that IB was just waiting for a statement from FL DoE regarding privacy laws IF the state wished to receive student-specific data. Commissioner Stewart responded that the State does NOT wish to receive student-specific data. Such a letter from FL DoE to IB is not, therefore, necessary and agreement has been reached.</p>

	New data package is due to be released by IB soon. The Commissioner is representing FLIBS at a State-wide Educational Leader meeting in Bethesda and will talk to Bob Poole about these data.
Budget adjustments	These were presented: Reduction of scholarships line to \$45,000 and of Lobbyist line to \$24,000 in order to free \$15,000 to sponsor the IBA Conference of the Americas. In the interest of fairness, a vote was postponed until Feb/Mar Board meeting so that Paul Campbell can present IBA's perspective on the issue. ED finds no formal motion to allocate the funds for this sponsorship in past Board minutes. Handouts A1 and A2 were distributed. ED is to amend working on Scholarships page of website, taking out references to specific numbers of scholarships but leaving in tiers of scholarship awards.
Financial considerations for multi-programme schools	Tabled until later meeting
IBO's request for special exhibitor rate	IBO has asked to exhibit for a steep discount (hundreds of dollars contrasted with the \$2,500 we charge other exhibitors). Suggestion that ED investigate what other Associations do in this regard. Board voted to empower ED to make these decisions. <i>Moved: George</i> <i>Seconded: Baisch</i> <i>Passed without dissent</i>
FLIBS's sponsorship of Conference of the Americas	Tabled until Feb/Mar meeting (see above)
12-2-13 Work Session	ED will send report, Board Members would be given opportunity to contribute, and then ED will make recommendations for voting next meeting.
Financial Statement and IRS Form 909	Ralph Cline presented the Financial Statement and IRS Form 1099 (FLIBS' tax return). Approved and made final. <i>Moved: Baisch</i> <i>Seconded: George</i> <i>Passed: Without dissent</i>
Adjournment	<i>Moved: Wesson</i> <i>Seconded: Hamacher</i> <i>Passed without dissent</i>

Respectfully submitted,
David LaRosa, Secretary
Ralph Cline, Executive Director
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