

**IDSAs Board Meeting: April 17, 2008**

*Attending: Paul, Sherwin, Scolaro, Lonigro, Friedrich, Geddeis*

**NOTE:** Items in red require a further commitment from Board members.

❖ **Next meeting: Thursday, May 15, 2008 (Minooka HS, 10:00 AM)**

❖ **Leadership Scholarship Selections**

- In the past three years, IDSA has awarded up to \$2,500 total in scholarships
- Sherwin proposed setting a maximum scholarship limit of \$500
- Received five applications totaling \$1,920
  - Jane Chung (Niles West): \$150, HOBY
  - Megan Coley (Waubonsie): \$500, NSLC - Engineering
  - Jeff Carlson (Waubonsie): \$710, DECA/ICDC
  - Laura Emery (Vernon Hills): \$280, Illinois Teen Institute
  - Laura Borgula (Vernon Hills): \$280, Illinois Teen Institute
- Board voted to fund four of five scholarship requests
  - Jane Chung: \$150
  - Megan Coley: \$500
  - Laura Emery: \$280
  - Laura Borgula: \$280
- Board voted not to fund Carlson scholarship, as it was not for a leadership activity

❖ **Review/Discuss Leadership Workshop**

- A'ric reaction
  - Students were overwhelmingly supportive (101 of 128 surveys rated him a 5)
  - Sponsors and Board members were disappointed by the lack of content and focus
    - Some borderline inappropriate comments
    - A'ric will be presenting at Stevenson next Wednesday and Thursday (contact Sherwin for details)
- Workshop reaction
  - Idea exchange: extremely popular (90% rated 4 or 5)
  - Understanding leadership style (81% rated 4 or 5)
  - Goal setting/Action plan (72% rated 4 or 5)
- North Central College
  - Facilities were adequate
  - NCC was very accommodating
  - Distance for North Shore schools may have been a factor
- **Sherwin asks Board to meet with Leadership Academy**
  - **What is the future of the IDSA/LA relationship?**
  - **What should LA 's focus be in the future? Set dates or traveling workshops?**

- ❖ **Establishment of “President’s Fund” (APPROVED)**
  - Establish account for life events (“warm fuzzy” account)
  - Expenditures at President’s discretion, pending Board approval
    - \$25 one-time contribution from new Board members
    - President may request additional contributions from Board members in future
    - Account will be established at start of 2008-09 school year
  
- ❖ **Advisors’ PDA report (action tabled until May Board meeting)**
  
- ❖ **Officer vacancy: President-Elect (2008-09 term)**
  - David Sizemore considered the appointment, but ultimately decided that he couldn’t take on the responsibility at this time
  - The position remains open at this time
    - Jen Paul and Lesa Friedrich will consider the possibility
  
- ❖ **Treasurer’s report (Beagle via e-mail)**
  - Current balance (as of 4/16/2008): \$21,690.44
  - Outstanding deposits
    - Stevenson Leadership Academy NC: \$580.00
    - Spinnin’ Discs: \$304.50 (bounced check from 2007 Convention)
  
- ❖ **IHSA Liaison’s report (Geddeis)**
  - April IHSA meeting is next Tuesday (4/22)
  - April 30: Strategic planning meeting:
    - Please provide input to McLaughlin, Beagle, Christenson or Geddeis
  - Brief discussion of steroid testing policy
  - Bass fishing will take place in Spring 2009
  
- ❖ **New Business**
  - 2008 Convention theme
    - Election-oriented?
      - “Vote Student Activities”
      - “The Activities Party”
      - The Party Platform: why schools should “vote” for student activities
    - Thanksgiving theme
      - “Trot on over”
      - “Gobble up activities”
      - “Put a feather in your hat”
      - “Stuff your face with activities”
      - “We’re all turkeys”
    - Green Convention (“green” session bracket)
    - Thanksgiving Food Drive
    - MySpace/Facebook/YouTube theme
    - Olympics theme
  
- ❖ **Future Meetings/Events**
  - May 15, 2008                      Minooka High School
  - June 2008                              Date & Location TBD