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## IMSA Governing Board

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Saturday March 15, 2025 at 11:00 AM

#### Location

7002 Graham Road  
Suite 219  
Indianapolis, IN 46220

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#### Directors Present

A. Ross, C. Frazier (remote), D. Pierson, J. Sanders, J. Sparks, N. Coleman

#### Directors Absent

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T. Miller

**Ex Officio Members Present**

B. Garrett, C. Bultman, E. Kersey, H. Dulgeroglu (remote), J. Brown, M. Arslan, M. Atlihan, Y. AbamislMOV

**Non Voting Members Present**

B. Garrett, C. Bultman, E. Kersey, H. Dulgeroglu (remote), J. Brown, M. Arslan, M. Atlihan, Y. AbamislMOV

**Guests Present**

Jennifer Moore, Wynsda Watson

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Record Attendance and Guests**

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

J. Sparks called a meeting of the board of directors of IMSA Governing Board to order on Saturday Mar 15, 2025 at 11:05 AM.

**C. Pledge of Allegiance**

**"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."**

**D. Adopt the Agenda**

D. Pierson made a motion to approve the agenda.

N. Coleman seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**II. Public Input**

**A. Public Input**

No public comments were presented during the meeting.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

**A. Approval of February 22, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes**

D. Pierson made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 02-22-25.

A. Ross seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **IV. Finance Committee**

##### **A. Review and Approval of IMSA North February 2025 Financials and Vouchers**

H. Dulgeroglu - Presented the financial statement summary for IMSA North as of February 28. It was noted that 71% of the budgeted revenues had been received, and 61% of the budgeted expenditures had been spent. The financials appear to be on track, with no immediate concerns.

H. Dulgeroglu - Presented the revised budget for IMSA North. While there were minimal changes, it was projected that the net income at the end of the year would be slightly better than previously expected.

D. Pierson made a motion to approve the financials for February for IMSA North.

N. Coleman seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

##### **B. Review and Approval of IMSA West February 2025 Financials and Vouchers**

H. Dulgeroglu - Presented the financial statement summary for IMSA West as of February 28. It was noted that 72% of the budgeted revenues had been received, and 64% of the budgeted expenditures had been spent. The financials appear to be on track, with no immediate concerns.

H. Dulgeroglu - Presented the revised budget for IMSA West. While there were minimal changes, it was projected that the net income at the end of the year would be slightly better than previously expected due to additional miscellaneous local revenue.

D. Pierson made a motion to approve the financials for February for IMSA West.

N. Coleman seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **V. Academic Excellence Committee**

##### **A. Academic Excellence Committee Report**

Z. Paley - Reported on the preliminary IREAD results, noting that the data is currently embargoed. The team discussed the implementation of student mastery trackers and the use of Daily Standard Review Bell Ringers to support student learning. Additionally, IXL will be utilized during Science class time for re-teaching purposes. WIN time and small group pullouts are planned for students in grades 3–8.

Regarding benchmarking against other schools using ClearSight Testing, outreach efforts have been made; however, no comparative data have been received to date. Efforts to obtain this information will continue.

Furthermore, the Director of Teaching and Learning and regional coaches attended an ILearn Checkpoints professional development session. The session focused on the upcoming transition year and included collaboration with other districts to share best practices.

## **VI. Governance Committee**

### **A. Governance Committee Report**

D. Pierson - Proposed adjusting the Board meeting start time to 10:00 a.m., citing that committee meetings are now held during the week instead of on Saturday mornings.

He also provided an update on the new school application, noting that progress is being made. The team is scheduled to meet with OEI for an interview on April 15. A public hearing with the Indiana Charter School Board is set for April 19 at 6:00 p.m. Board members were encouraged to attend if possible.

D. Pierson - Discussed a potential candidate for the Parent Board Member position. The candidate, a parent of a former IMSA student, has expressed interest. The Governance Committee will conduct an interview and report the outcome at the next meeting.

J. Brown - Announced changes to the distribution of board documents. Moving forward, documents will no longer be sent via email but will be available on BoardOnTrack. Furthermore, Adobe Sign will be utilized for signing financial documents, which will be sent to members after meeting approvals.

J. Sparks - Shared that Wynsda' Watson has been selected as the Leader for the IMSA Central school.

N. Coleman made a motion to approve the time change for the Board meetings.

J. Sanders seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## **VII. Development Committee**

### **A. Development Committee Report**

A. Ross - Shared the plan for a fundraiser at Panera Bread, he will share the date as soon as it is finalized. Tentatively April 16th or 17th at the Keystone & 62nd location.

## **VIII. Board Dashboard Review**

## **A. Monthly Dashboard**

M. Arslan - Presented the Monthly Dashboard Report. He noted that H. Dulgeroglu had previously reviewed the financials.

For IMSA North, there were no new academic updates at this time. The current graduation rate stands at 79.6%, with efforts underway to increase it above 80% by focusing on cohort students. Attendance has risen slightly to 90.7%, and the number of suspensions is at 122, which is below the goal of fewer than 216.

Regarding IMSA West, no new academic updates were reported. Attendance remains steady at 95.4%, and suspensions are currently at 69.

## **IX. School Updates**

### **A. Principal's Corner**

B. Garrett - Shared a recap of events held in celebration of Black History Month, including a successful wax museum exhibit. She noted the high level of student engagement and shared that several other events are scheduled for March.

Career Day was well attended by local businesses and recruiters. IMSA North's Team Twice earned first place in the team event at the Spoken Word competition. Students of the Month were recognized and celebrated with a lunch outing at the China Buffet. Additionally, English Language Arts (ELA) and Project Lead The Way (PLTW) activities for Kindergarten and other grades were highlighted in a presentation slideshow.

B. Garrett - Also shared information about an upcoming Golf Tournament sponsored by Shalom, which is seeking "Hole Sponsors" as a way to increase community visibility.

M. Atlihan - Reported on IMSA West's participation in the Science Olympiad, noting that the students completed the Tower Challenge for the first time. The school also raised \$1,750.64 through the Penny Wars to Battle Hunger event. At the Spoken Word competition, IMSA West students achieved multiple individual awards, including 2nd and 3rd place finishes, as well as team awards for 2nd and 3rd place. Additionally, IMSA West was featured in The Mind Trust's "Reducing Chronic Absenteeism Report 2025."

The school has also received several grants. These include a \$20,000 K-2 United Way Early Literacy Grant (Birth to Age 8), with Mr. Kirby, K-2 Assistant Principal, named as the contact. Another grant, the Indiana Thriving Schools Challenge from Earth Charter Indiana, was awarded for \$4,750 to support an outdoor garden and butterfly habitat. Mrs. Tschaenn, 3-8 Assistant Principal, is the lead on this initiative.

M. Atlihan - Reminded board members to complete the STEM Partnership Survey if they have not already done so. He also shared that the school is exploring a partnership with a group focused on remote-controlled car racing, which aligns well with IMSA West's STEM programming.

## **X. Closing Items**

### **A. Attendance Check for the Next Meeting - April 19, 2025**

All board members present confirmed their availability to attend the upcoming meeting scheduled for April 19th.

### **B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 12:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
J. Brown