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### Platform for Student Councils in the 1980's

As we all participate in the making of the President for 1980, we need to be ever mindful of the platforms of our presidential candidates. All the candidates have expressed their beliefs on inflation, energy, and foreign affairs. The list of issues and possible solutions to the problems that confront us will be debated vigorously until November 7, 1980.

Recently, I attended the North Dakota Association of Student Councils state conference. While there, I spoke to 500 student leaders and encouraged them to develop a platform for 1980—a platform that will make student councils more viable and responsible organizations for student governments in the 1980's.



Terry Giroux, Director, Office of Student Activities

The following Platform for Student Councils in the 1980's is being reviewed and implemented by National Association of Student Council member schools:

- Student council organizations should determine a rights and responsibilities code to function within the school community.
- Student council executive committees should meet regularly with the school administration.
- Student council members should serve in advisory positions in all areas of the school community, including student representation of school boards.
- 4. Student council meetings should be scheduled during the school day.
- Student council should be an open organization without grade requirements for an executive or representative position.
- Student council members should receive academic credit for their participation in student council affairs.
- Student council members and interested students should be offered courses dealing with leadership training and development.
- Student council members should be encouraged to attend state, regional, or national student council conferences.
- 9. Student council activities should include projects with community citizens.

 Student council sponsors and advisers should receive compensatory pay consistent with fees provided to other club sponsors and athletic coaches.

During the 1980's the National Association of Secondary School Principals Office of Student Activities recommends that each school have a viable activities program which will allow students and their representative organization to make choices and influence decisions in the school community. The adoption of the Student Council Platform for the 1980's does not mean an abdication of authority by teachers and administrators, nor does it mean that students will have arbitrary control over the actions of others. It simply means that students should share the responsibility of making decisions that affect them and that representative democracy has a place in our schools, as well as in our society.

### **Routing Slip**

After reading the Reporter, check your position off of the list below and pass it on to the next person on the list.

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Senior Class Reps.
Junior Class Reps.
Sophomore Class Reps.

\_Council Treasurer \_Committee Chairperson

\_\_\_\_Sophomore Class Reps. \_\_\_\_Freshman Class Reps. \_\_\_\_Other

\_\_\_Other

\_\_Post on council bulletin board \_\_School Library

## Motions from the Illinois Association of Student Councils Executive Board Meeting December 15 and 16, 1979

- 1. Janet Goodwin moved to accept the following applications for Project School: Grayslake (Kathy Behm), "A Map of IASC Members"; Hoffman Estates (Jayne Capuis), "District Banners"; Sandwich (Ginny Fabris), "Unusual Days Celebrated by Student Councils"; Clifton Central (Lisa Frake), "A Point System for achievement in Student Councils"; Alton (Lisa Funkhouser), "Money Making Exchange." The motion was properly seconded by Hazel Lindsley. Motion passed.
- 2. Janet Goodwin moved to approve Morris High School as a Project School for the purpose of IASC Flag sales. This motion was properly seconded by Alan Edstrom. Motion carried.
- 3. Judy Jobe moved that the Honor Council Award Program be included in the 2nd Vice-President's duties, Part II. section H of the IASC Policies and Procedures Handbook. Motion was properly seconded by Alan Edstrom. Motion passed. POLICY CHANGE
- 4. Bill Worth moved to send a letter explaining the operation of the Honor Council Award and that this award not be presented until the 1981 convention. This motion was properly seconded by Judy Jobe. Motion passed.
- 5. Karen Welch moved to appropriate \$12.50 to the Pick-Congress Hotel for last year's bill for an electrical hook-up. This motion was properly seconded by Bill Worth. Motion passed.
- 6. Karen Welch moved to pay DeKalb High School \$85.00 for their publication of the 2nd Vice-President's pamphlet on Project Schools. This motion was properly seconded by Jeri Henderson. Motion passed.

- 7. Jeri Henderson moved that the board go into executive session for her report. Judy Jobe properly seconded his motion. Motion passed.
- 8. Jim Hindelang moved to accept the 1st Vice-President's report as corrected. Motion was properly seconded by Bill Worth. Motion passed.
- 9. Jim Hindelang moved that Wincraft received a free Hall of Ideas booth and advertisement in the *Reporter* in return for their services, and that the agency providing a band receive a free booth in the Hall of Ideas. Karen Welch properly seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. Motion passed.
- 10. Alan Edstrom moved that the Hall of Ideas monies be placed under the Convention Secretary's budget. The motion was properly seconded by Hazel Lindsley. Motion passed.
- 11. Karen Welch moved to accept the Convention Secretary's budget as amended. Jeri Hender-

- son properly seconded this motion. Motion passed.
- 12. Bill Worth moved that the *Reporter* editor be empowered to seek additional advertisements. Motion was properly seconded by Alan Edstrom. Motion passed.
- 13. Jeff Hawkins moved for the board to direct Mr. Phelps to purchase replacement jackets for those stolen and that these jackets be given to those who attended last summer's national trip. The motion was properly seconded by Jeri Henderson. Motion passed.
- 14. Judy Jobe moved that Kaneland High School be named as a Project School to develop a pictorial supplement to the state convention program. This motion was properly seconded by Janet Goodwin. Motion passed.
- 15. Joe Corsello moved that Morris High School be named as a Project School to up date the IASC Policies and Procedures Handbook. The motion was properly seconded by Jeri Henderson. Motion passed.



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### **IASC Spotlight**



Karen Welch

Karen "Juice" Welch, a funloving and terrific person, is this year's treasurer of the IASC. Karen got her nickname because of her last name, Welch-"Welch's Grape Juice" - so it's only appropriate that she be called "Juice".

Karen is a senior at Edwardsville High School. She is kept busy with Student Council, the Acapella Choir, National Honor Society and Girl Scouts. Karen's past achievements include being Student Council Treasurer, Student Council Public Relations Chairman, and Kaskaskia District Newsletter Editor.

Karen's advice to Student Council members is "Keep with it-it's probably the best thing that has or ever will happen to you!" Karen feels that "Student Council is an organization that should provide social events, concessions, etc., but that it should also reach out to

all the "nobodies" in the school and make them feel wanted. After all, what is student council other than a bunch of kids and advisors that love each other?"

When Karen was the time to relax, she likes to spend it sewing, resuling romantic novels, or singing. She also enjoys playing with ner cat "Princess" and listening to Billy Joel.

Karen's favorite quote is this: "Ideals are like stars. Though you may not succeed in touching them with your hands, you choose them as your guides, and in following them, you reach your destiny." A perfect thought that everyone should keep in mind.

After graduation Karen plans to go on to college and study Engineering.

On behalf of the IASC Executive Board, the very best of luck to Karen in all her future endeavors.

A person with a great sense of humor and a terrific personality is the best way to describe Janet Goodwin, 2nd Vice-President of the IASC.

Janet is a senior at DeKalb High School. She has been active in Student Council for seven years. Last year she was the vice-president of the North Central District secretary for her own council. Janet is also involved with Drama Club, Thespians, Science and Math Club, Concert Choir and Select Choir.

Student Council is important to Janet because "it's working at making a better me! Every task I fulfill molds a new part of me—giving me experience and knowledge. Student Council gives opportuni-



Karen Goodwin

ties I can get from no other organization. It allows me to work with others on a give and take basis, builds friendships!"

When she's not busy at school Janet enjoys playing the piano and singing, sewing, baking, and playing football and softball. She also enjoys collecting anything with "Ziggy" on it!

Janet's advice to Student Council members is "to take advantage of every opportunity—always being willing to better a present system or event." Student Council better prepares young people for "real life" by exposing them to responsibility, and giving them a sense of leadership and citizenship. It teachers one the significance of cooperation.

After graduation Janet plans to go on to college and hopes to study genetic counseling.

On behalf of the IASC Executive Board, the best of luck to Janet in achieving her goals.

### Convention '80

On May 8, 9, 10, 1980, the IASC will be holding its annual state convention at the Pick-Congress Hotel in beautiful downtown Chicago. Hoffman Estates High School, this year's host school, is anticipating 1300 delegates. This year's convention, entitled "Food for Thought", will not only be a great learning experience, but it will be fun at the same time.

There are several changes in the IASC State Convention this year including registration. In past conventions, there have been complaints that the waiting in line for registration has been the greatest headache of all time, but this year there is, hopefully, an easier way to do it. When registering with the IASC, via the mail, the schools will receive forms to register with the hotel. By mailing the hotel and IASC registration to Hoffman Estates High School, the time spent waiting will be curtailed greatly.

In past years, while registering. some delegates didn't have anything to do but sit on suitcases or cause trouble. That won't be true this year! The IASC has things to do and places to go, especially for delegates. There is a new program called TAAFEA; delegates will be able to visit Chicago museums and shops. The tours set-up are as follows: One tour to the Museum of Science and Industry, Atom's Apple; three tours to the Field Museum, Dig-In; two tours to the Shedd Aquarium, Filet-of-Fish; two tours to Water Tower Place and the John Hancock Center, Ye Ole Watering Hole; and two walking tours to the Art Institute; Tickle Your Tastebuds, Please Your Palate. If you can't get on a tour, you'll be able to see an all time movie favorite shown in the Windsor Room.

In addition to this fun-filled beginning, the first general session promises unscheduled visits by political figures, speeches by aspiring IASC candidates, and will have an opportunity to have a "Beef Encounter" with candidates during a whistlestop campaign. For a "Midnight Snack", candidates will be available to answer individual questions in the Windsor Room.

The next morning begins "Sunnyside Up" with the advisors' breakfast at 7:00 a.m. in the Gold Room. The breakfast is immediately followed by the annual advisors' meeting. Those advisors who do not plan to attend the breakfast should plan to join the advisors' meeting at 7:30 a.m. in the Gold Room.

Friday morning's general session features voting for the 1980-81 IASC Executive Board. Delegations should caucus before coming to the session, so all but the business delegate won't miss the entertainment planned during the voting period.

Following the general session, discussion groups will meet. It is suggested that delegations choose topics which best meet their needs. There will be a special program in delegate packets giving detailed information that will help in making choices for discussion groups. The IASC recommends that your delegation take in as many different topics as possible.

Before delegates go "Out to Munch" after the first discussion groups, they might want to consult the Convention Food Guide for ideal eateries within the area. The Food Guide will help delegates decide what restaurants to go to. The guide will determine if delegates should "brisket" going to the different restaurants.

When delegates return to the general session after lunch, they will once again have a chance to pick from the "Side Orders" of discussion groups. Delegates will be able to choose from twenty taste-tempting discussion groups in the second group session.

Friday will then be topped off with the annual banquet at 6:15 p.m. in the Great Hall. This gala affair will be one that will not be foraotten. Along with the announcement and installation of the 1980-81 IASC Executive Board. the banquet plans include an enthusiastic banquet speaker, entertainment, and an exciting time for all. Later on that evening, after the banquet, the annual dance will be held in the Gold Room with a live band. There will also be full-length movies for all the delegates who want to relax from dancing the night away.

Saturday morning's general session is one not to be missed. It is planned as a grand finale to a memorable convention.

All schools should be receiving a registration packet in the near future. Please fill out and return all forms for IASC Convention '80 as promptly as possible to Hoffman Estates High School, 1100 West Higgins Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois, 60195. The convention fees are:

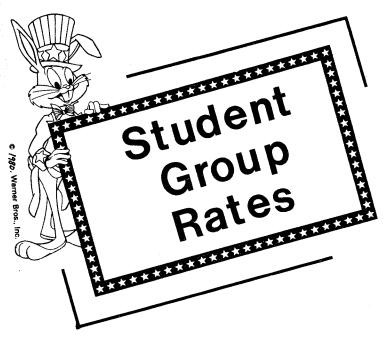
\$5.00 - Registration \$12.00 - Banquet \$2.00 - Movie/Dance \$6.75 - Advisors' Breakfast

Now that the IASC has given a sneak preview to all the readers, don't go on a hunger strike, dig in, and gain a few pounds of leadership skills.

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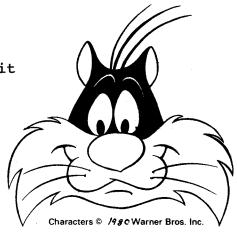
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### IASC Honor Council Award Criteria [from April 1 to March 31]

- 1. Your application should state the name of your school and its address, names of student council officers and advisor(s), number of enrollment, and the grade levels in your school.
- 2. The awards shall be presented to schools which are: in good standing and member of the IASC; submit an application and a scrapbook compiled of supporting evidence and picture proof to the IASC before the annual convention; and earn a minimum of 100 points from the following activities.

#### I. Mechanics -

- A. Constitution (4 points) 1 copy to be submitted for 3 points, evidence of constitution review in last three years for 1 point.
- B. Elections (6 points) evidence of how elections were run 2 points, evidence of officer training 2 points, evidence of some form of orientation for new members for 2 points.
- C. Meetings (14 points) evidence of three business meetings with a purpose, agenda, and minutes for 3 points, report from one executive board meeting of your council officers and chairpersons previous to a business meeting for 1 point, evidence of active involvement of faculty and/or administration for 1 point, evidence of active involvement of non-council students for 1 point, summer council meetings for 1 point each up to 3, establish a calendar of meeting dates for the year for 2 points, special business meetings for 1 up to 3 points.
- D. Committees (10 points) 3 reports from three different standing committees for 3 points. 3 evaluation reports from activities by 3 different standing committees for 3 points, 3 purpose, activities, and evaluation reports from any 3 special committees formed for 3 points, non-council people involved for 1 point.

### II. Activities/Involvement -

- A. Assemblies evidence showing how student council was involved in any way with an assembly (1 point per assembly, maximum of 3 points).
- B. Faculty/administration/Board-student on school board, curriculum council, principal's council, faculty evaluation team (1 point per position maximum of 3 points).
- C. Workshops-show purpose, schedule, evaluations from each workshop, 2 points per school for each workshop attended: McKendree, Constitutional Convention, Frosh/Soph Workshop, Materials, Advanced, Conference on Student Views, Springfield Program, Advisor's Workshop, National Leadership Training Center, and all other workshops, local or district. Evidence of general leadership workshop held or hosted by your school for 4 points.
- D. Conventions-evidence of attendance at your district convention for 2 points, discussion group leaders from your school-1 point for each level (district, state, national). Attendance at IASC Convention for 2 points, attendance at National Conference for 2 points. One point each for the following out of quota positions-project school, resolutions, credentials committee, recorder, or constitutional committee.
- E. Hall of Ideas entry at either district or state level-1 point per level.
- F. Outstanding Project-6 points each for a maximum of 2 projects, presented a detailed report of all aspects of the project.
- G. Student Exchange Program-1 point for each student council sponsored exchange for a maximum of 3 points.
- I. Officers either the district or state level from your council for 1 point each.
- J. Elected or appointed advisor(s) on either the district or state level from your council for 1 point each.

### III. Communications -

- A. Representation on council-evidence of representing the student body for 2 points, means of communicating other than publications (i.e. reading of minutes, suggestion boxes, etc.) for 2 points.
- B. Calendar of council/school activities for 2 points
- C. Council newsletter or similar publication for 1 point.
- D. School paper coverage of council activities for 1 point.
- E. Council article in IASC Reporter, District Newsletter, or Advocate for 2 points per level.
- F. City paper article for 1 point.
- G. Council handbook for 2 points.
- H. Council promotional publication for 1 point.

- I. Reports to faculty from council for 1 point.
- J. Inter-club-council group for 2 points.
- K. Communication to the community other than paper for 2 points.

#### IV. Evaluation

- A. Quarterly evaluation of student council meetings-1 point per evaluation.
- B. Evaluation of council projects-1 point-maximum of three.
- C. Evidence of student body evaluating the council-2 points.
- D. Council members evaluating the advisor-1 point.
- E. Council evaluates council-1 point.
- F. Council evaluation of executive board-1 point.

Your application should be signed by your principal, advisor, the Student Council President, testifying that the materials are accurate and in good order. Please indicate in your scrapbooks what each entry is supposed to be satisfying of the criteria. Record the total number of points you think you qualify for. The honor councils will be recognized at the annual IASC State Convention and will be presented with an award.

# Illinois Association of Student Councils Application for Membership

(Please print or type all information)
You must be a member of your respective district

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