**PYP Administrator/Coordinator Meeting**

February 24, 2023

Sheraton DFW Hotel – Irving, TX

Facilitators: Kelly McBride and Ashley Swindle

Members present: 27 persons attended with representation of schools/districts across Texas

1. **Iris Lazarus – IB World Schools Manager for Public Schools in Texas**

Iris gave a presentation on IB Development and Evaluation. She specifically highlighted areas to remember in advance of, during and after the Evaluation visit. This included a compare/contrast question session comparing previous evaluation visits with the new evaluation process. Particular focus was given to the Programme Development Plan and it’s requirements with regard to the evaluation itself, but also as a resource for the school in their journey as an IB school. A question/answer session was held at the end of her presentation.

1. **Karen Phillips – Executive Director for Texas I. B. Schools:** Karen presented information on the TIBS Initiative with regard to upcoming legislative issues as a follow-up to the presentation by Phil Evans, Senior Manager for Strategic IB Initiatives, in the general session. Of particular focus was a discussion of upcoming legislative initiatives which could impact the International Baccalaureate as a program for Texas public schools – both in the current legislative meetings and again in two years. This could have a large impact on the I. B. presence in Texas schools. A position paper from an outside group was shared with all programme coordinators, and in response the PYP group gave feedback from their perspectives.
2. The meeting concluded with a discussion of issues and questions/concerns.