

City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final International Relations Committee

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 6:00 PM Sir Robert Barrie Room

For consideration at Finance and Corporate Services Committee on April 25, 2018

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Dave Morrison at 6:01 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 11 - Chairman D. Morrison

Councillor B. Ward

Vice Chair R. Warman - German Twinning

J. Babcock - Youth Ambassador

B. Crasco - Puerto Princesa Philippines

C. Hewitt - Youth Ambassador V. Kompp - German Twinning

J.M. Pigeon -The Borough of Harrogate

M. Sachkiw - China Friendship P. Sachkiw - China Friendship

B. Sergeant - The Borough of Harrogate

Absent: 5 - Lieutenant-Colonel B. Nekurak Base Borden

E. Cudanin - Puerto Princesa Philippines

J. Laking - Japan Twinning

B. Mullen - Georgian College

L. Palson - Georgian College

STAFF:

T. Maynard, Coordinator of Elections and Special Projects.

The International Relations Committee met and reports as follows:

COMMITTEE BUDGET UPDATE

D. Morrison, Chair provided an update regarding the Committee's Budget.

The Committee discussed replenishing the inventory of gifts used for potential exchange purposes. Mr. Morrison advised that no gift purchases were made in November, 2017.

The Committee approved the expenditure of funds from the International Relations Committee account 01-06-0935-0000-3091 in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00 for the purchase of gifts to be used for potential future exchanges.

JAPAN TWINNING UPDATE

M. Sachkiw provided an update regarding Japan Twinning. Mr. Sachkiw advised that an invitation will be sent to Murayama, Japan inviting an adult delegation to visit the City of Barrie in 2018. Mr. Sachkiw advised that he will provide further information at a future meeting.

YOUTH AMBASSADORS UPDATE

The Committee met and discussed the status of the Youth Ambassadors visits as follows:

Zweibrücken, Germany

J. Babcock provided an update regarding the Global Perspectives Program. Mr. Babcock advised that student interviews have taken place for the 2019 Global Perspectives Program.

Mr. Babcock advised that a youth delegation through the Global Perspectives Program will be traveling to Cuba in April, 2018.

Murayama, Japan

C. Hewitt provided an update regarding Murayama, Japan. She advised that the deadline for youth ambassador applications is March 29, 2018. D. Morrison, Chair advised that the anticipated dates of travel to Murayama, Japan will be August 16 to August 30, 2018.

THE BOROUGH OF HARROGATE, NORTH YORKSHIRE UNITED KINGDOM

B. Sergeant provided an update regarding the Borough of Harrogate, North Yorkshire United Kingdom. He advised that preparations are underway to host a combined adult and youth delegation simultaneously from Harrogate, North Yorkshire United Kingdom from July 31, 2018 to August 9, 2018. Mr. Sergeant discussed the delegations itinerary and budget requirements.

The Committee approved the expenditures of funds from the International Relations Committee account 01-06-0935-0000-3095 not to exceed \$11,500.00 to host a delegation of forty six adults and youth from the Borough of Harrogate, North Yorkshire, United Kingdom from July 31, 2018 to August 9, 2018.

GERMAN TWINNING AND GERMAN CANADIAN CLUB UPDATE

- R. Warman advised that there was nothing new to report regarding the German Twinning.
- V. Kompp advised that there was no report provided regarding the German Canadian Club.

SIR ROBERT BARRIE PROJECT UPDATE

- B. Sergeant provided an update regarding the Sir Robert Barrie Project. Mr. Sergeant commented that the Sir Robert Barrie Project Committee presented reproductions of the Sir Robert Barrie painting to Eastview Secondary School. Mr. Sergeant advised that the Sir Robert Barrie Committee will provide their final presentation of the reproduction of the Sir Robert Barrie painting to Barrie North Collegiate in May, 2018.
- R. Warman advised that construction of the display case for the Sir Robert Barrie's uniform circa 1812, his medals and naval swords is very close to completion.

TAIZHOU, CHINA UPDATE

D. Morrison, Chair advised that there was nothing new to report regarding Taizhou, China.

PUERTO PRINCESA, PHILIPPINES UPDATE

B. Crasco advised that there was nothing new to report as there is an election scheduled to take place in Puerto, Princesa, Philippines.

ARRAS, FRANCE DISCUSSION

D. Morrison, Chair advised that there was nothing new to report regarding Arras, France.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

CHAIRMAN