

City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final International Relations Committee

Tuesday, June 19, 2018 6:00 PM Huronia Room "A"

For consideration at Finance and Corporate Services on September 26, 2018

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Dave Morrison at 6:05 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 11 - Chairman D. Morrison

Councillor B. Ward

B. Crasco - Puerto Princesa Philippines

V. Kompp - German Twinning

J. Laking - Japan Twinning

B. Mullen - Georgian College

L. Palson - Georgian College

J.M. Pigeon -The Borough of Harrogate

M. Sachkiw - China Friendship

P. Sachkiw - China Friendship

B. Sergeant - The Borough of Harrogate

Absent: 5 - Vice Chair R. Warman - German Twinning

Lieutenant-Colonel B. Nekurak Base Borden

J. Babcock - Youth Ambassador

E. Cudanin - Puerto Princesa Philippines

C. Hewitt - Youth Ambassador

STAFF:

Coordinator of Elections and Special Projects, T. Maynard.

The International Relations Committee met and reports as follows:

COMMITTEE BUDGET UPDATE

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

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JAPAN TWINNING UPDATE

M. Sachkiw provided an update regarding Japan Twinning. Mr. Sachkiw discussed plans to invite an adult delegation from Murayama, Japan to visit the City of Barrie in 2020.

Mr. Sachkiw advised that a delegation from Murayama, Japan will be attending the International Rotary Convention in Toronto during the week of June 25, 2018 and would like to visit the City of Barrie during their stay in Toronto.

The Committee approved the expenditures of funds from the International Relations Committee account 01-06-0935-0000-3095 not to exceed \$200.00 for meals and transportation costs associated with hosting a delegation from Murayama, Japan for an afternoon during the week of June 25, 2018.

YOUTH AMBASSADORS UPDATE

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

Zweibrücken, Germany

D. Morrison, Chair provided an update regarding the Global Perspectives Program. Mr. Morrison advised that a youth delegation from the City of Barrie through the Global Perspectives are currently visiting Zweibrücken, Germany until June 20, 2018 and are having a great time during their stay.

Murayama, Japan

D. Morrison, Chair provided an update regarding Murayama, Japan. Mr. Morrison advised that a youth delegation plus two adult leaders will be traveling to Murayama, Japan from August 16 to August 30, 2018. Mr. Morrison advised that new youth ambassadors' applications forms will be updated to include parental information.

GERMAN TWINNING AND GERMAN CANADIAN CLUB

- J.M. Pigeon provided an update regarding German Twinning. Mr. Pigeon discussed plans for choir from Germany to visit the City of Barrie in 2019 with the potential for a choir/band to make reciprocal visit to Germany in 2020.
- V. Kompp provided an update regarding German Canadian Club. Ms. Kompp advised that the German Canadian Club will be hosting a Barbeque on June 21, 2018, Knights of Columbus Hall at 6:00 p.m.

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THE BOROUGH OF HARROGATE, NORTH YORKSHIRE UNITED KINGDOM

- B. Sergeant provided an update regarding the Borough of Harrogate, North Yorkshire United Kingdom who will be visiting the City of Barrie from July 31, 2018 until August 9, 2018. Mr. Sergeant advised that the itinerary for the Borough of Harrogate combined adult and youth delegations is being finalized.
- Mr. Sergeant advised that a reception for the combined adult and youth delegations from the Borough of Harrogate has been scheduled in the City Hall, Rotunda on July 31, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.
- D. Morrison, Chair provided kudos to B. Sergeant and J.M. Pigeon for their work coordinating the combined adult and youth delegations visit from the Borough of Harrogate to the City of Barrie.

SIR ROBERT BARRIE PROJECT UPDATE

- B. Sergeant provided an update regarding the Sir Robert Barrie Project. Mr. Sergeant commented that the Sir Robert Barrie Committee presented a reproduction of the Sir Robert Barrie painting to Barrie North Collegiate during their grand reopening in May, 2018. He noted that the Sir Robert Barrie Committee have presented eight high schools in the City of Barrie with reproductions of Sir Robert Barrie paintings.
- Mr. Sergeant advised that it is anticipated that the unveiling of the cabinet with Sir Robert Barrie memorabilia will be scheduled in September, 2018.

TAIZHOU, CHINA UPDATE

There was nothing new to report regarding Taizhou, China.

PUERTO PRINCESA, PHILIPPINES UPDATE

There was nothing new to report regarding Puerto Princesa Philippines.

ARRAS, FRANCE DISCUSSION

There was nothing new to report regarding Arras France.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

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