City of Barrie



Minutes - Final

International Relations Committee

Tuesday, June 4, 2019	6:00 PM	Sir Robert Barrie Room
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For consideration at Finance and Corporate Services Committee on October 2, 2019.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman D. Morrison at 6:08 p.m. and the following were in attendance:

Present:	10 -	Chairman D. Morrison - Arras France
		Deputy Mayor B. Ward
		Vice Chair M. Sachkiw - Japan Twinning
		B. Brookes - The Borough of Harrogate
		C. Cudmore - Arras France
		L. Palson - Georgian College
		J. M. Pigeon - German Twinning
		P. Sachkiw - Japan Twinning
		B. Sergeant - The Borough of Harrogate
		R. Warman - German Twinning
Absent:	14 -	Major C. Bellemare-Whiting - Base Borden
		J. Babcock - Youth Ambassadors
		R. Gardiner - Japan Twinning
		T. Gardiner - Japan Twinning
		J. Gulley - Youth Ambassadors
		I. Jodoin - Arras France
		G. Johnston - Japan Twinning
		L. Lalonde - Arras France
		J. Laking - German Twinning
		L. LeRoux - The Borough of Harrogate
		R. LeRoux - The Borough of Harrogate
		V. Kompp - German Canadian Club
		B. Mullen - Georgian College
		H. Noguchi - Japan Twinning

STAFF

Acting Deputy City Clerk, T. Maynard.

The International Relations Committee met and reports as follows:

COMMITTEE UPDATES

There was no update provided regarding the Committee's budget.

JAPAN TWINNING UPDATE

There was no update provided regarding Japan Twinning.

YOUTH AMBASSADORS UPDATE

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

Murayama, Japan

D. Morrison, Chair provided an update regarding Murayama, Japan. Mr. Morrison advised that preparations are underway for a youth delegation from Murayama, Japan to visit the City of Barrie from July 29, 2019 to August 10, 2019. Mr. Morrison advised that he will provide the Committee with a copy of the youth delegation's itinerary.

Mr. Morrison commented that preparations are underway to host a Goodbye Party for the Japan youth delegation at the Southshore Community Centre, August 8, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Morrison invited the Committee to attend this event.

The Committee approved expenditures of funds from the International Relations Committee cost centre #1026 660200 for an amount not to exceed \$8,000.00 for costs associated with hosting the youth delegation from Murayama, Japan from July 29, 2019 to August 10, 2019.

Zweibrücken, Germany

D. Morrison, Chair provided an update regarding Zweibrücken, Germany. Mr. Morrison advised that a youth delegation from the City of Barrie through the Global Perspectives Program are currently visiting Zweibrücken, Germany until the end of June, 2019. He commented that a youth delegation from Zweibrücken, Germany will be visiting the City of Barrie between September/October, 2019.

M. Sachkiw commented that he attended "Global Presents" at Innisdale Secondary School on May 23, 2019 which showcased students' works from the semester.

The Committee approved expenditures of funds from the International Relations Committee cost centre #1026 660200 for an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00 for costs associated with hosting the youth delegation from Zweibrücken, Germany between September/October, 2019.

GERMAN TWINNING AND GERMAN CANADIAN CLUB UPDATE

R. Warman provided an update regarding German Twinning. Mr. Warman commented that Lord Mayor Dr. Marold Wosnitza accompanied by his spouse Heike Heb from Zweibrücken, Germany will be making an unofficial visit to the City of Barrie from July 10, 2019 to July 13, 2019.

Mr. Warman advised that preparations are underway to host an adult choir from Zweibrücken, Germany from October 3, 2019 to October 11, 2019.

Mr. Warman did not provide a report regarding the German Canadian Club.

THE BOROUGH OF HARROGATE, NORTH YORKSHIRE UNITED KINGDOM UPDATE

B. Sergeant provided an update regarding the Borough of Harrogate, North Yorkshire United Kingdom.

Mr. Sergeant discussed the itinerary for the Senior Youth Band from Sir John Fisher Catholic School of Harrogate, United Kingdom scheduled to visit Barrie on July 12, 2019. Mr. Sergeant advised that during their visit the band is scheduled to play a concert at Meridian Place on July 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

ARRAS, FRANCE UPDATE

L. Palson, Georgian College provided an update regarding the information received from a University in Arras, France concerning a potential partnership with Georgian College.

SIR ROBERT BARRIE PROJECT UPDATE

B. Sergeant provided an update regarding the Sir Robert Barrie Project. Mr. Sergeant discussed the fundraising initiative undertaken for the Sir Robert Barrie Project entitled "The HMCS Project". Mr. Sergeant discussed the fundraising initiative that has been undertaken by the Sir Robert Barrie Project Committee to raise funds associated to commission an oil painting of the HMCS Barrie and for the relocation of the one-sixth scale model ship from the Downtown Barrie Public Library to City Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

CHAIRMAN