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STUDENT ORIENTATION AT GEORGIAN COLLEGE

- Review of City's Participation
 - B. Muscat noted that the Winter orientation is scheduled for January 6, 2020. He also advised that going forward, the orientation for International Students will be combined with the general orientation, but would still contain information of particular relevance to the International Students (i.e. work visas, etc.). The Winter orientation sessions are generally shorter than the Fall orientation, and will be a half-day session. He indicated that Barrie Transit will be on site and that he would like to see the September transit tour also be offered in January. B. Muscat will reach out to K. Dubeau from the Creative Economy Department to discuss options. B. Muscat also extended an invitation for Councillor Riepma to attend the orientation as well.
- Planning for January 2020
 - J. Morozuk suggested inviting representatives from the City's Waste Management Group to have a vendor table to assist students with managing their garbage/recycling. She noted that in the past residents have complained about the students and their garbage. She also suggested having a resident table to welcome neighbours to participate in the orientation.
 - R. Cardwell advised that he would like to see representatives from BEEHA also have a table at orientation. He noted that it's also important to include information relevant to students at the downtown campus, and to make students aware of all the events happening (i.e. Santa Clause Parade, Winterfest, etc.). A. Butler advised that she will forward her information for the Santa Clause Parade to the Committee, regarding parking, parade route, etc.

Councillor Riepma suggested supplying the College with the pamphlets that the BIA produces which highlight events in the downtown. J. Morozuk suggested inviting the BIA to have a vendor table at the orientation as well. J. Morozuk noted that she encountered insurance issues with vendor tables while preparing for the September orientation. B. Muscat will reach out to the College's Risk Management staff to discuss challenges and options.

Councillor Riepma inquired if anyone had received feedback from the Cricket tournament that was held in Maitland Park. R. Cardwell advised that he had attended, and overall the event went well. J. Morozuk suggested involving the media to draw more interest in future events. R. Cardwell also suggested promoting future events on the Ward 1 Facebook page.

B. Muscat advised that Georgian College's Internationalization Committee and The Centre for Changemaking and Social Innovation is hosting 'The Georgian College World Café Tour' on October 24 th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The purpose of the event is to start a conversation around shaping how Georgian can support internationalization and inclusion across the region. Space is limited to 133 participants. He noted that Committee Members are welcome to participate by contacting the College. R. Cardwell advised he will promote the event on the Ward 1 Facebook page. B. Muscat advised that Georgian College currently has 3,600 students, that collectively come from 85 countries.