



City of Barrie

70 Collier Street (Box 400)
Barrie, ON L4M 4T5

Minutes - Final International Relations Committee

Tuesday, November 17, 2015

6:00 PM

Huronia Room A

For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee of the City of Barrie on December 14, 2015

The International Relations Committee met at 6:00 p.m. in the Huronia Room "A" and the following were in attendance:

PRESENT:

D. Morrison, Chairperson
Councillor, A. Khan
C.F.B. Borden, Major A. Battista
China Friendship, P. Sachkiw
China Friendship, M. Sachkiw
Georgian College, B. Mullen
Gerrman Twinning, R. Warman
The Borough of Harrogate, J. Pigeon
The Borough of Harrogate, B. Sergeant
Puerto Princessa, Philippines, E. Cudanin
Youth Ambassador, J. Babcock
Youth Ambassador, C. Hewitt.

STAFF:

Committee Support Clerk, T. Maynard.

The International Relations Committee met and reports as follows:

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 shared with the Committee that he has received correspondence from Sir Thomas Ingilby of the Borough of Harrogate, North Yorkshire United Kingdom regarding Georgian College and his colleagues from Tourism, Hospitality and Events at Queen's Margaret's

University working on proposals for an accredited overseas exchange program.

GERMAN TWINNING AND GERMAN CANADIAN CLUB REPORT

R. Warman advised that there was no updates to provide regarding German Twinning and German Canadian Club at this time.

2016 IRC BUDGET PLANNING

The Committee met and discussed the anticipated expenditures for the 2016 International Relations Committee Budget. D. Morrison, Chair asked each sub-committee representative to provide an update about upcoming expenditures anticipated for 2016.

GEORGIAN COLLEGE, BRANDY MULLEN - "INTERNATIONALIZE GEORGIAN" - DISCUSSION OF JOINT PLANNING OPPORTUNITIES

B. Mullen discussed with the Committee the possibility of Georgian College and the City of Barrie working together to ensure students are ready for the global world. The Committee suggested that Ms. Mullen research other Universities or Colleges and discuss her findings at a future meeting.

JAPAN TWINNING UPDATE

There was no report provided regarding Japan Twinning.

TAIZHOU CHINA TWINNING UPDATE

There was no report provided regarding Taizhou China Twinning.

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 commented that the youth delegation from Zweibrücken, Germany who visited the City of Barrie during October had an excellent time during their stay and the Goodbye party was very successful. J. Babcock noted that a youth delegation from the City of Barrie will be travelling to Zweibrücken, Germany from May 28, 2016 to June 28, 2016.

Murayama, Japan

C. Hewitt provided an update regarding Murayama, Japan. Ms. Hewitt asked the Committee to provide their suggestions or ideas about the criteria for accepting youth into the youth ambassador program and the best way to promote and increase youth participation into the program. C. Hewitt introduced Alissa Fairbairn as the 2016 Murayama, Japan female leader. Ms. Hewitt noted that it is anticipated that a youth delegation from the City of Barrie will be travelling to Murayama, Japan during the summer 2016.

PUERTO PRINCESSA, PHILIPPINES UPDATE

E. Cudanin provided an update regarding Puerto Princessa, Philippines and commented that there was nothing new to report at this time.

2016 COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

The Committee met and discussed the meeting schedule for 2016 and decided that the Committee would continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

CHAIRMAN