



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes SISTER CITY COLLABORATION COMMITTEE

Monday, April 4, 2016

5:30 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room LL-130 (Madison Municipal Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Frank L. Alfano; Josephine H. Oyama-Miller; Daina P. Zemliauskas-Juozevicius; Charles J. James; Jon F. Heinrich and Diane L. Farsetta

Absent: 4 - Carolyn A. Gantner; Salvador A. Carranza; Samba Baldeh and Enrique R. Gandara

Others Present: Enis Ragland

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

James made a motion to approve the minutes of January 25, 2016. Alfano seconded the motion. Motion passed by a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

REGULAR BUSINESS REPORTS

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Financial Update March/April 2016

Ragland explained the new system for budget disbursements. The entire \$15,000 will be distributed among the individual sister city organizations to manage independently.

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Sister City Program Reports March/April 2016

Ainaro: Farsetta reported that they are preparing for Tour de Timor on May 22nd at 1 pm. They will take off from the WORT block party. The rain date is June 5th.

Vilnius: Zemliauskas-Juozevicius reported that they had their Lithuanian Independence Day celebration.

Camaguey: Heinrich reported that there was a fundraiser on May 7th as part of

Craft Beer Week. They are also working to get the Cuban Ambassador for a visit.

Freiburg: James reported that on February 24, 2016, the annual dinner and business meeting took place at the University Club in Madison. New bylaws were ratified by the members, then a new Board was elected. A number of members are planning to travel to Houston, TX, in May to view an exhibition of art works by Franz Xaver Winterhalter, a 19th century portrait painter with ties to Freiburg.

Mantova: Alfano mailed the art work that was displayed in Madison back to Mantova as well as a city pin for each kid.

Obihiro: Oyama-Miller reported that the Mayor and Sara will be in Obihiro in May. She will also bring a delegation back.

NEW BUSINESS

[41803](#)

Establishing a sister city relationship between the City of Madison, Wisconsin, United States and the City of Kanifing, Gambia, Africa.

James made a motion to Recommend to Council to adopt the resolution establishing Kanifing as a sister city. Alfano seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

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Kanifing-Madison May 2016 Reception March/April 2016

Committee discussed finances for Kanifing. Alfano made a motion to ask Alder Baldeh and the Kanifing group to include a financial statment of \$2,000 with their resolution. James seconded the motion. Motion passed by a voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Heinrich made a motion to adjourn. Zemliauskas-Juozevicius seconded the motion. Motion passed by a voice vote.