



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes SISTER CITY COLLABORATION COMMITTEE

Monday, March 24, 2014

5:30 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room LL-110 (Madison Municipal Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 6 -

Frank L. Alfano; Josephine H. Oyama-Miller; Daina P. Zemliauskas-Juozevicius; Charles J. James; Salvador A. Carranza and Lauren Cnare

Excused: 3 -

Carolyn A. Gantner; Jon F. Heinrich and Enrique R. Gandara

Other Present: Karen Milstein, Diane Farsetta

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

James moved to amend the February minutes and Cnare seconded the motion to read: Legistar Item #32884: 2014 Base Funding Requests: Funding requests from only Montava, Obihiro and Freiburg were received and approved for payment. James requested approval for Funding Requests from Camaquey, Ainaro and Arcataoa. Vilinius's application will be presented at the next meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

REGULAR BUSINESS REPORTS

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SCCC Resolutions - Approving Sister City Committee composition legislation

Cnare presented the resolution to the committee and made a motion to refer it to the next Common Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Carranza and passed unanimously.

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2014 Base Funding Request Form Status for Tepatitlan

Alfano motioned to approve funding requests from Camaquey, Ainaro, Arcataoa, Vilnius and Tepatitlan and the motion was seconded by James and passed unanimously.

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Report on Sister City Video Tapings

Tapings went well with a few minor corrections. Alfano asked that the remaining Sister Cities program be sure to email or send Jo the visuals that they would like to use. Alfano will make the correction to the comments made by Sue Hamlin as to when the Sister Cities program began-Hamlin said that they began in 1998.

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Sister City Programs Reports

Alfano (Mantova) met with Sally Miley regarding a project on Frank Lloyd Wright to ask for pictures or copies that could be sent to Montova. Oyama-Miller requested that copies also be available for Obihiro since Frank Lloyd Wright is revered in Japan as well. Alfano will report back at a later meeting. West High School plans to start an Italian after school club and Madison is sending its first priest to the Roman parish.

Carranza (Tepatitlan) said that the artist has applied for his passport to travel to Madison to complete his mural panels. Madison artist has returned from Tepatitlan and everything went very well.

Oyama-Miller (Obihiro) just completed its first middle school exchange in the area with Cottage Grove Drumlin Middle School. The next student exchange will be in the fall of 2014 with West/East as well as other area high schools. Obihiro will be sending a 6 person mental health delegation in May 2014 to view a new out-patient clinic in Obihiro with an ACT team.

Obihiro assisted the University of Wisconsin with its program with Fukushima University students (23 students) in late March with its public programs.

Farsetta (East Timor) commented that it will be hosting its 15th year bicycle ride and fundraiser on May 15th. This fundraiser provides scholarships to students in rural East Timor as well as maternal/child health project.

James (Freiburg) reported on their organizations's annual meeting which was held on March 6th at the Essen House and was attended by 30 people. Program included a presentation by the students who studied in Freiburg on a scholarship approved by the Sister City's program. New officers were elected at this meeting.

Zemliauskas-Juozevicinus (Vilnius) reported that the Ambassador to the US will be coming to Madison on May 3-4th at their annual meeting. They will have a presentation at the Pyle Center.

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Calendar for Sister City display case in City County Building

April: Obihiro
May: East Timor
June: Camaquey
July-August: Tepatitlan
September: Arcatao
October: Mantova
November: Freiburg

ADJOURNMENT

James motioned to adjourn the meeting/seconded by Cnare. The motions passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM.