



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Draft SISTER CITY COLLABORATION COMMITTEE

Monday, September 16, 2019

5:30 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 108 (City-County Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order by Chair, Charles James, at 5:45 pm.

Present: 7 - Frank L. Alfano; Carolyn A. Gantner; Charles J. James; Samba Baldeh; Jonathan S. Solari; Rahel Desalegne and Musa Jallow

Absent: 2 - Jon F. Heinrich and Salvador A. Carranza

Excused: 2 - Josephine H. Oyama-Miller and Daina P. Zemliauskas-Juozevicius

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Gantner, seconded by Solari, to approve the minutes of the July SCCC meeting. The motion passed by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

James reminded everyone about the application for the International Festival in February 2020 due date.

James reminded everyone about the schedule of the remainder of the year for the CCB display case.

REGULAR BUSINESS REPORTS

[56880](#)

Sister City Program Reports August-September 2019

Camagüey – a trip is planned to Camagüey in January of 2020. There will be more details at the next SCCC meeting.

Arcatao - The public is invited to a presentation titled “Organizing Around Climate Change and Migration from a Central American Perspective” by Zulma Tobar of El Salvador, hosted by the Madison Arcatao Sister City Project. Zulma is the Salvadoran Co-Coordinator of our parent network, US El Salvador Sister Cities. She will speak in Madison on Tuesday, October 8 from 12:30-1:30 PM upon the invitation of the UW Latin American, Caribbean and Iberian Studies Program. The talk will be held at Ingraham Hall in Room 206. Plans are underway for another event on the evening of the 8th, co-sponsored by Voces de la Frontera.

Kanifing - A trip is planned to Kanifing in January, 2020. They also are working on a library project between Madison and Kanifing. They are planning their annual event on October 19 with the Mayor of Kanifing visiting at that time.

Bahir Dar – Bahir Dar had to cancel their trip to Bahir Dar due to unrest in the area. They are working with the UW-Madison Limnology Department on a program to improve the lake in Bahir Dar.

Freiburg - Freiburg has a jazz trio visiting the Madison area from their Dane County sister county in Germany. Madison West and Madison Memorial High Schools are hosting students from their sister school in Freiburg.

Mantova – No report.

Tepatitlán – No report.

Obihiro – No report.

Vilnius – No report.

ITEMS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[56425](#)

2020 SCCC Celebrate Madison's Sister Cities

Attachments: [06-10-2019 SCCC work group notes.pdf](#)

[56881](#)

Park Street Banner Funding and Other Expenses

A motion was made by Alfano, seconded by Desalegne, to purchase the bags and update the banners using past Celebration funds in the amount of \$1900.00 with a note that bags will not be ordered until sample is approved at the next SCCC meeting. The motion passed by voice vote.

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Future City funding levels of Madison Sister Cities

Baldeh discussed adding \$20,000 to the \$30,000 in the 2019 budget for Sister City expenditures. He will discuss his proposal with Mayor Rhodes-Conway and report back to the SCCC at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Solari, seconded by Desalegne, to adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.