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Meeting Minutes - Draft SISTER CITY COLLABORATION COMMITTEE

Monday, September 26, 2016

5:30 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room LL-120 (Madison Municipal Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by chair. Samba arrived late-5:50pm.

Present: 7 - Frank L. Alfano; Josephine H. Oyama-Miller; Carolyn A. Gantner; Daina P. Zemliauskas-Juozevicius; Charles J. James; Jon F. Heinrich and Salvador A. Carranza

Absent: 3 - Samba Baldeh; Enrique R. Gandara and Diane L. Farsetta

OTHERS PRESENT

Farsetta was present at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of May 23 approved on a motion by James/Carranza.

PUBLIC COMMENT

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

REGULAR BUSINESS REPORTS

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Sister City Program Reports September 2016

Vilnius – Daina reported that she arrived back from Vilnius yesterday from a social visit. Daina also made contact with a group of volunteers who work with adolescent orphans in Vilnius. This contact will result in MVSC being involved with their mission.

Camaguey - John reported that an artist from Camaguey had an exhibit in several venues in Madison. The October trip to Camaguey was cancelled due to problems with international flight schedules. A 2017 trip is being considered.

East Timor – Diane reported that the chair of the Women's Health and Social Care from Anairo was visiting Madison for a conference at the UW. She also visited with several departments on campus for future contacts, etc.

Freiburg-Charles reported that Sophia Droll from Freiburg was visiting Madison for about six weeks. He also reported about the consideration of the Madison College Big Band visiting Freiburg in 2017.

Tepatitlan-Sal discussed a mural in Tepa designed and painted by Sharon Gilfoy. He also stated that they has submitted for 501©3 status with the IRS.

Arcatao-Carolyn reported that in July, Arcatao hosted a 30th Anniversary celebration of its sistering relationship with Madison, which members of MASCP participated in. The 3-day event also celebrated all U.S./El Salvador sister city relationships and was attended by U.S. and Salvadoran representatives of those partnerships. In January students and faculty from Edgewood College Madison will be visiting Arcatao as part of the two-semester class on El Salvador that MASCP helps to facilitate.

Obihiro-Jo reported that their 10th Anniversary event was well attended and successful. Currently they are planning for a student visit in October along with a visit of Mental Health Social Workers from Obihiro visiting Madison in October.

Mantova-Frank reported that Mantova was designated an Italian Culinary Heritage Site for 2017. They are considering an exchange between Madison College Culinary School and Mantova in 2017.

Kanifing-Samba reported that they have applied for 501©3 status with the IRS. They have established a board and committee structure. November 5 will be their initial meeting.

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Cookbook Update September 2016

All recipes and pictures have been submitted. The layout is pending per the Committee (Sal, Charles and Jo). SCCC will review all drafts, etc. prior to printing.

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Budget Disbursements September 2016

All sister cities were sent the disbursement for 2016.

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Update of resolution for D'Gambia representative to SCCC

Gambia resolution is pending.

NEW BUSINESS

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Display Case update and schedule.

A 2017 schedule was worked out for the display case in the CCB. The lock is in need of repair. 2016 October & Nov-Mantova. Dec-D'Gambia. 2017 Schedule: Jan-Camaquey, Feb-Vilnius, Mar-Obihiro, Apr-Arcatao, May-Ainaro, June & July-Freiburg, Aug-D'Gambia, Sept-Tepatilan, Oct & Nov- Mantavo, Dec-All Sister Cities=showing all Xmas is celebrated in each country.

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Celebration of International week

INTERNATIONAL DAY 2017 IS FEBRUARY 25, 2017 AT THE OVERTURE CENTER. Nancy Heimgartner of UW-Madison made a brief presentation on the US International Education Week will be held from November 14-18, 2016 and asked if the Sister Cities of Madison would like to join with the University of Wisconsin in the celebration. A part of the celebration there will be a display at the UW-Madison Discovery Center on November 14th from 3-6:30 pm. One table will be designated for a combined Sister City Display.

Also there will be brown bag lunches and discussions every day at Bascom Hall from Noon-1:00 p and each sister city can have a table. Anticipated attendance will be around 100 people. No food can be served but candy is okay.

If any sister city program is interested please let Oyama-Miller know.

This celebration is separate from the Overture's International Day will be held on Feb. 27, 2017 at the Overture Center. Remember, each sister city will have to register and pay for themselves.

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Need for an application for a community member

Sal will contact DATCP about the possibility of a rep from DATCP replacing Enrique who submitted his resignation from SCCC.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM M/S/P James/Caranza.