



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final International Relations Committee

Tuesday, November 21, 2017

6:00 PM

Huronian Room "A"

For consideration at Finance and Corporate Services Committee on February 28, 2018

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Dave Morrison. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

- Present:** 11 - Chairman D. Morrison
Councillor B. Ward
Vice Chair R. Warman - German Twinning
B. Crasco - Puerto Princesa Philippines
E. Cudanin - Puerto Princesa Philippines
C. Hewitt - Youth Ambassador
J. Laking - Japan Twinning
J.M. Pigeon -The Borough of Harrogate
M. Sachkiw - China Friendship
P. Sachkiw - China Friendship
B. Sergeant - The Borough of Harrogate
- Absent:** 5 - Lieutenant-Colonel B. Nekurak Base Borden
J. Babcock - Youth Ambassador
V. Kompp - German Twinning
B. Mullen - Georgian College
L. Palson - Georgian College

STAFF:
Committee Support Clerk, T. Maynard.

The International Relations Committee met and reports as follows:**COMMITTEE BUDGET UPDATE**

D. Morrison, Chair provided an update regarding the Committee's Budget. The Committee discussed the anticipated expenditures for the 2018 International Relations Committee. D. Morrison, Chair asked each of the sub-committee representatives to provide an update about upcoming expenditures that are anticipated for 2018. He suggested that the sub-committees should look at ways to reduce their expenditures.

The Committee approved the expenditure of funds from the International Relations Committee account 01-06-0935-0000-3091 in the amount up to \$2,000.00 for the purchase of gifts to be used for potential future exchanges.

2018 MEETING SCHEDULE

The Committee met and discussed the meeting schedule for 2018 and decided that the Committee would continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. with the exception of July and August.

JAPAN TWINNING UPDATE

M. Sachkiw provided an update regarding Japan Twinning. Mr. Sachkiw commented that a delegation from the City of Barrie traveled to Murayama, Japan from October 28, 2017 to November 8, 2017 and had an amazing visit. Mr. Sachkiw highlighted that during their visit that Friendship Agreements were signed between the two cities to recognize the relationship.

Councillor B. Ward discussed that he had an amazing time during his visit to Murayama, Japan. Councillor Ward advised that a presentation at the City Council meeting has been scheduled for December 18, 2017 regarding the delegations visit to Murayama, Japan.

YOUTH AMBASSADORS UPDATE

The Committee met and discussed the status of the Youth Ambassadors visits as follows:

Zweibrücken, Germany

D. Morrison provided an update regarding the Global Perspectives Program. Mr. Morrison advised that a youth delegation from Zweibrücken, Germany visited the City of Barrie during the Fall, 2018. He highlighted that a youth delegation from the City of Barrie will be traveling to Zweibrücken, Germany during May/June, 2018.

Murayama, Japan

D. Morrison provided an update regarding Murayama, Japan. He advised that there are plans for a youth delegation to travel to Murayama, Japan during summer 2018. Mr. Morrison commented that interviews have been scheduled for the 2018 Youth Leaders.

C. Hewitt advised that she has received numerous applications of interest from youth interested partaking the youth ambassador program.

THE BOROUGH OF HARROGATE, NORTH YORKSHIRE UNITED KINGDOM UPDATE

B. Sergeant provided an update regarding the Borough of Harrogate, North Yorkshire United Kingdom. He advised that preparations are taking place to host a combined adult and youth delegation simultaneously from Harrogate, North Yorkshire United Kingdom during 2018. Mr. Sergeant commented that there have been discussions regarding a reciprocal visit to Harrogate in 2019.

GERMAN TWINNING UPDATE AND GERMAN CANADIAN CLUB UPDATE

R. Warman commented that there was nothing new to report regarding the German Twinning.

There was no report provided regarding the German Canadian Club.

SIR ROBERT BARRIE PROJECT UPDATE

B. Sergeant provided an update regarding the Sir Robert Barrie Project. Mr. Sergeant advised that the Sir Robert Barrie project is in its final stages. He noted that construction of the display case for Sir Robert Barrie's Uniform is almost complete.

TAIZHOU, CHINA UPDATE

There was no report provided regarding Taizhou, China.

PUERTO, PRINCESA, PHILIPPINES UPDATE

E. Cudanin and B. Crasco advised that there was nothing new to report regarding Puerto, Princesa, Philippines.

ARRAS, FRANCE DISCUSSION

There was no report provided regarding Arras, France.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

CHAIRMAN