



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final International Relations Committee

Tuesday, June 20, 2017

6:00 PM

Huronia Room "A"

For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee of the City of Barrie on September 26, 2017.

The International Relations Committee met at 6:00 p.m. in the Huronia Room "A" and the following were in attendance:

- Present:** 12 - 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
V. Kompp - German Twinning
J. Laking - Japan Twinning
B. Mullen - Georgian College
M. Sachkiw - China Friendship
P. Sachkiw - China Friendship
B. Sergeant - The Borough of Harrogate
- Absent:** 4 - Major A.B. Battista - Base Borden
J. Babcock - Youth Ambassador
L. Palson - Georgian College
J.M. Pigeon -The Borough of Harrogate

ALSO PRESENT:

J. Gulley, Youth Ambassador Leader.

STAFF:

Committee Support Clerk, T. Maynard.

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

The Committee met and discussed the Committee's 2017 budget and anticipated expenditures for the balance of 2017.

D. Morrison, Chair asked each of the sub-committee representatives to provide an update about upcoming expenditures anticipated for 2018.

COMMITTEE'S TERMS OF REFERENCE DISCUSSION

D. Morrison, Chair provided an update regarding the Committee's Terms of Reference. The matter was raised at the Committee's May 16, 2017 meeting by Adam Battista who has now resigned from the Committee.

ARRAS, FRANCE DISCUSSION

The Committee met and discussed a proposed future twinning opportunity with Arras, France. Councillor, B. Ward advised that representatives from Arras, France in 2018, may visit the City and potential associated expenditures.

JAPAN TWINNING UPDATE

M. Sachkiw provided an update regarding Japan twinning. M. Sachkiw commented that there will be a delegation of twelve from the City of Barrie traveling to Murayama, Japan from October 29, 2017 to November 7, 2017.

The Committee approved expenditures of funds from the International Relations Committee account 01-06-0935-0000-3095 in the amount not to exceed \$6,000.00 for costs associated with a delegation traveling to Murayama, Japan between October 29, 2017 to November 7, 2017.

YOUTH AMBASSADORS UPDATE

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

Zweibrücken, Germany

D. Morrison, Chair provided an update regarding the Global Perspectives Program. Mr. Morrison advised that a youth delegation from the City of Barrie is currently visiting Zweibrücken, Germany until June 30, 2017. Mr. Morrison commented that a youth delegation from Zweibrücken, Germany will be visiting the City of Barrie in the Fall, 2017.

The Committee approved expenditures of funds from the International Relations Committee account 01-06-0935-0000-3095 for an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 to assist with cost associated with hosting the youth delegation from Zweibrücken, Germany, Fall, 2017.

Murayama, Japan

C. Hewitt provided an update regarding Murayama, Japan. Ms. Hewitt advised that preparations are underway for a delegation of twelve students and two leaders from Murayama, Japan to visit the City of Barrie from July 28, 2017 to August 9, 2017.

The Committee approved expenditures of funds from the International Relations Committee account 01-06-0935-0000-3095 for an amount not to exceed \$8,000.00 for cost associated with hosting the youth delegation from Murayama, Japan from July 28, 2017 to August 9, 2017.

THE BOROUGH OF HARROGATE, NORTH YORKSHIRE UNITED KINGDOM UPDATE

B. Sergeant provided an update regarding the Borough of Harrogate, North Yorkshire United Kingdom. Mr. Sergeant commented that the King Edward Choir will be travelling to the Borough of Harrogate from June 29, 2017 to July 10, 2017. Mr. Sergeant suggested Bunty Brooks of the King Edward Choir should receive a letter of appreciation for all her hard work coordinating the Choirs trip to the Borough of Harrogate. D. Morrison suggested that B. Sergeant draft the letter and forward to him.

GERMAN TWINNING AND GERMAN CANADIAN CLUB

J.M. Warman provided an update regarding German Twinning. He commented that a delegation from the City of Barrie will be visiting Zweibrücken, Germany from July 3, 2017 to July 10, 2017.

V. Kompp provided an update regarding the German Canadian Club. She outlined a schedule of activities planned for the German Canadian Club.

SIR ROBERT BARRIE PROJECT UPDATE

B. Sergeant provided an update regarding the Sir Robert Barrie Project. Mr. Sergeant noted that he anticipates that display case for the Sir Robert Barrie's uniform circa 1812, his medals and naval swords will be completed by December, 2017. Mr. Sergeant advised that plans are to have the display case presented to Council.

TAIZHOU, CHINA UPDATE

There was no report provided regarding Taizhou, China.

PUERTO PRINCESA, PHILIPPINES UPDATE

E. Cudanin provided an update regarding Puerto Princesa, Philippines. Mr. Cudanin commented that he has provided another letter to Puerto Princesa, Philippines concerning travel dates and is awaiting a response.

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

CHAIRMAN