



Agenda

SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Administrative Conference Room, TOURISM Santa Fe

201 West Marcy Street

505-955-6707

4:00 to 5:00 PM

Goals of the Sister Cities Committee:

More effectively market Sister Cities and what they do
Develop educational programs in schools
Strengthen relationships with existing Sister Cities
Involve greater community in work and activities of Sister Cities
Re-enforce and build existing relationships through trade and tourism efforts

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 - d) Livingstone, Zambia
 - e) Parral, Mexico
 - f) San Miguel de Allende, Mexico
 - g) Santa Fe de la Vega, Spain
 - h) Sorrento, Italy
 - i) Tsuyama, Japan
 - j) Zhangjiajie, China
 - k) Education Committee Jeff Case, Sky Stiha
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MINUTES
JUNE 12, 2019
4:00 – 5:05 PM

GOALS TO THE SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE
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1. Call to Order

Chair, Carol Robertson Lopez called the Sister Cities Meeting to order at 4:00 pm, Administrative Conference Room, 201 West Marcy Street, Santa Fe, NM, a quorum is declared in roll call.

ROLL CALL:

Present

Carol Robertson Lopez, Chair

Sky Stith

Dr. Jeff Case

Arthur Olivas

Carl Moore

Carlene Carey

Not Present, Excused

Rudy Fernandez

Bernard Rubenstein

Others Present:

Tacarra Lake, CIR

Bryan Goldbeck

Satori Murata, Japanese Teacher and former President of Matsuri

Randy Randall, Acting Director

Fran Lucero, Stenographer

2. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Olivas moved to approve the agenda as presented, second by Ms. Stith, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

3. Approval of Minutes, May 8, 2019

Minutes will be acted on at next meeting.

4. Report of the Chair

There are two delegations that have been invited to Santa Fe by Mayor Webber. Icheon, Korea Mayor, his wife and 4 staff people will visit Santa Fe. There will be a total of 6 in that delegation. Hotel Santa Fe has been very generous in providing rooms for our dignitaries. The Chair and Mr. Randall are working on the budget as they are coming a day earlier and staying a day later. In the future we need to specify the amount of people who visit and the length of time. They arrive on July 10th and leaving the morning of July 15th. They will be here during the International Folk Art Market. Their trip will be hosted and guided tours by Sister Cities members and the Mayor and staff will provide a nice welcome dinner. They will attend the Folk Art Market Welcome Party and they will have a private tour of the Botanical Garden. Activities are being planned for Saturday and Sunday as they will go to the Opera in the evening. One of the highlights is the introduction of the 9 students from Santa Fe who are going to Korea. These students are so talented. Dr. Case wrote letters to the New Mexican and Santa Fe Reporter and from this press awareness, the CEO for MEOW WOLF has made it possible for these kids to have the amount that they were lacking for the trip by his generous donation. Thank you. The Chair expressed her thanks to Dr. Case for taking the initiative to make this happen for the kids. The Chair asked and will coordinate through Mr. Randall an audience with the City Council when the kids come back from Korea. Mr. Randall would also like to do a community article in the Newspaper about the specifics on how this trip became a reality as the Sister Cities Committee did not use city funding.

Education report: (Exhibit A-D attached)

Dr. Case: Sister Cities had a booth and it was very informational. There were beautiful posters and people enjoyed stopping and talking to Sister Cities members. Dr. Case received a progress report on projects done by Sister Cities and Tsuyama, something we had never seen before. Dr. Case framed a memento of this document from Tsuyama where they mention Mr. Olivas, Progress of Friendship. This was 20 years of work with Tsuyama.

Dr. Case and Carl Moore put together a statement from Mayor Webber where he spoke about the exchange. Dr. Case said that we have had approximately 528 exchanges. Exhibit C & D

Dr. Case talked about his conversation with Sherrie Osgood and the student exchange who will be coming from Japan to Santa Fe.

Mr. Olivas said that he also circulated the marketing cards on Sister Cities that were informational and he tries to keep this updated on an annual basis.

Dr. Case started on the Icheon project in January, 2019. He provided a recap of the money that was raised in their fund raisers. With their fund raising and the generous contribution from Mr. Kadlubek / Meow Wolf this trip is a reality.

Dr. Case met with Santa Fe Public Library employee Michele Reich. Michelle has substantial ties with the San Miguel de Allende Biblioteca and of course with the Santa Fe Public Libraries. We hope to involve local Spanish high school teachers, Rudy Fernandez and the Caballeros de Vargas, and the Friends of the Library.

Mr. Randall also made suggestions to broaden the interviews with the community pillars that make us stand out.

Ms. Stith would like to do sign language from the School for the Deaf in both English and Spanish.

The Chair said we have not heard from Bukhara on whether or not they are coming for the Folk Art Market.

5. Action Items

Dr. Case asked Mr. Randall on the status of Sister Cities sign at the Airport. Mr. Randall will follow up on the Sister City signage that was at the Airport.

6. Reports and Updates (above)

- a) Bukhara, Uzbekistan
- b) Holguin, Cuba
- c) Icheon, South Korea, Visit July 2019
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- k) Education Committee, Dr. Case and Sky Stith

7. Report of Staff

Mr. Randall stated that the Mayor's Office would like to see a standard format for any sister city visits that come to Santa Fe so we keep continuity and that we have a clear understanding of the expenses. Mr. Randall said that once we have that format he will include Ms. Carol Robertson-Lopez to participate in the budget hearings. He also stated that there will be more staff support moving forward. An offer has been made for the Arts Division Director. Mr. Randall would like to have the title be Director of Cultural Affairs in the future. Start Date will not be announced at this time.

Thank you to the Chair and Dr. Case for the extra work that they have done without staff support.

Fran Lucero announced that this is her last meeting. She has enjoyed doing minutes for the City for the last 10 years.

Sister City recognition of those who are at the Folk Art Market.

The Chair asked if anyone would like to be on the VIP committee she will get t-shirts for everyone.

Ms. Satori will report at the July meeting. She is also going to Japan and she can take a message to Tsuyama on 20th Anniversary. Ms. Satori will send the Chair an e-mail to collaborate on the message.

The Chair, Dr. Case and Sky Stith will attend the International Sister Cities Committee meeting in Houston, TX.

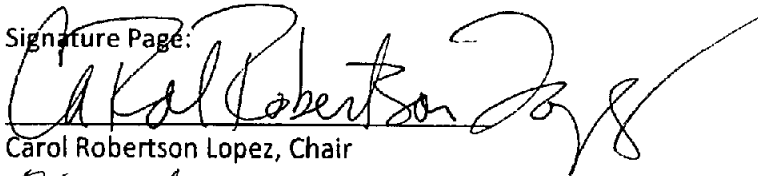
Mr. Goldbeck was pleased to attend the meeting and hear of the progress for the Sister Cities. It was also recommended that if the Mayor's wife is a Dr., possibly getting her to meet Christus leadership. The Chair will follow up with Ms. Lillian Montoya, CEO at Christus

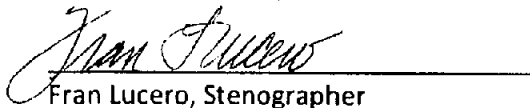
Taccara expressed her thanks and looks forward to attending future meetings.

8. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Sister Cities Committee the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.

Signature Page:


Carol Robertson Lopez, Chair


Fran Lucero, Stenographer

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June, 2019 Education Student Report

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1. Neal and I spent a lovely Saturday day, May 12, at the Sister City Booth for the JIN Matsuri. We interacted with the public and enjoyed lively conversations. Councilor Peter Ives spoke to the audience.

2. The Icheon student program raised \$2,450 with Dollars4Schools, then another \$2,500 at the Waldorf school fundraiser, then received a \$6,000 donation from MEOW WOLF and Vince Kadlubek. Total raised to date is \$11,000.

The student delegation is getting ready for their departure on July 28.

We have received excellent media coverage and use of fliers. There was a radio Richard Eeds 103.7 interview, A Santa Fe Reporter article, and an upcoming Sunday June 16 ABQ Journal article. Here is one from the New Mexican, Sunday, June 2, 2019.

Students need your help

The Santa Fe Sister City Committee received in January from its sister city, Icheon, South Korea, an invitation to participate in a Global Youth Concert along with 10 of Icheon's sister cities. Icheon would be the host city, and asked us to send a nine-member student group with two chaperones. They would practice along with a core of Icheon students and other Sister City students from around the world for five days, culminating in a combined orchestra performance Aug. 2. To make it a truly international event, each Sister City would provide a musical score as a part of the performance repertoire.

The group of students, from Mandela International Magnet School, New Mexico School for the Arts and Santa Fe Waldorf School, and their families are now fundraising. We have established a fund with Dollars4Schools and are organizing a concert/dinner/fundraiser at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 5, at the Waldorf School at 26 Puesta Del Sol. Details of this event and bios of the students can be seen at facebook.com/orchfesticheon. We hope you can support this.

Jeff Case, Ph.D.

Santa Fe

3. The schedule and budget for Mayor Eam and delegation arrival is moving along. Welcome luncheon with Mayor Webber on July 12. Picnic with student musicians on July 14.

Exhibit A

4. I met with Santa Fe Public Library employee Michele Reich. We had a delightful and stimulating conversation. Michele has substantial ties with the San Miguel de Allende Bibliotecta and of course with the Santa Fe Public Libraries. We are formulating a language acquisition exchange using the cultural heritage of both Sister Cities. We hope to involve local Spanish high school teachers, Rudy Fernandez and the Caballeros de Vargas, and the Friends of the Library.

Jeff Case PhD.

Santa Fe Sister Cities

New Vendors

Khalsa Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine - Japanese acupuncture with emphasis on pain relief, specifically following the teachings of Kiiko Matsumoto & Dr. Mukiano. Available for purchase: Pain patches, topical pain creams, herbal remedies.

OKA - Origami jewelry and textiles

Returning Vendors

Discover my Japan! - Japanese cultural and traditional items (gifts, silk, samurai goods) from Japan

Eastwind Echo - Comfortable women's cotton wear

Holly Stults - Designer Jewelry Featuring Argentium Silver (Non-Tarnishing), Gold, Pearls and Gemstones. Specializing in Detachable Pendants which can be worn to shorten and/or lengthen a variety of Necklace strands.

Japanese Treasures - Kimono, door curtains and gifts from Japan

Lyracism Jewelry - Lovingly handmade jewelry using natural stones and precious metals

Miya Pottery - Functional stoneware and fine raku pottery

New Mexico JACL - Information about NMJACL, Aki Matsuri, CLOE project and book sales

Norio Hayakawa Arts & Entertainment - Japanese calligraphy, Japanese brush painting art and traditional origami artwork including origami earrings

Pat on the Back - Handcrafted items with an Asian style, Japanese fabrics, origami and scrapping, kitchen items

Peregrine Arts - Hand-bookbinding offering, photo albums, blank books, and Japanese decorative papers

Sachi Organics - Simply organic, simply comfortable pillows: the marvelous Rejuvenation pillow and a variety of buckwheat hull and millet hull pillows!

Samurai - We are a mom's group selling handcrafted jewelry, accessories and homemade cookies along with some products from Japan. We also have a master calligrapher to write your name in Japanese Kanji right in front of you.

Santa Fe Host Lions Club - Membership brochures, application for LBPH services, pill bottle reader jar for donations to send a child to Blind Camp

Santa Fe Indian School - International Cultural Experiences - Selling Japan-inspired Native made craft items and packaged foods

Scher Center for Well Being - Leading edge chiropractic and providing info

Seimei Natural Healing - Famous Japanese Non-touch technique for Pain and Manifesting

Sekatau Foundation - Japanese antique and vintage kimono, and artifacts

Sister Cities - Information related to foreign student exchange programs with Japan

The Tutorial School - something fun for everyone!

White Lotus - Hand painted silk scarfs and jewelry, Buddhi and meditation crafts

*Mukashi adji, ancient

Folklorist Kunio Yanagita created the term mukashimon (old things of long ago) to apply to all creative types of Japanese folk art, folk life, and folk lore.



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Matsuri translates as festival.

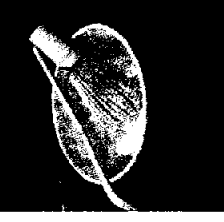
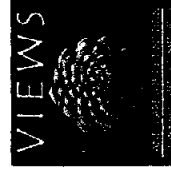
The matsuri of Japan originated from ancient Shinto rituals that date back to the mid-3rd century.

Matsuri are still held by some shrines and the Imperial Court to celebrate the cultivation of the rice crops and to pray for the well-being of communities.

Modern matsuri tends to be more focused on the enjoyment of being together and provides an opportunity for community members to experience the culture of Japan.



Displays of specimen plants from Views: Landscapes of Distinction greet you at the ballroom entrance. viewslandscaping.com



You are invited to tea in the Coronado Room - out the main doors and to the left

Chado New Mexico members will be serving free bowls of matcha and traditional Japanese tea sweets provided by Urasenke Tankokai of Kyoto, Japan.

The Art of Japanese Tea, or Chado, is a way to calm the mind, soothe the spirit, and share a special time away from the concerns of everyday life. Chado New Mexico represents the Urasenke tradition of tea in New Mexico and is one of almost 100 Urasenke associations around the world. The group holds events for the public, such as today's demonstration, and offers special tea gatherings and classes throughout the year for members. For more information, visit <http://www.chadonewmexico.org>.

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Santa Fe JIN Board Members:

Casey Jones - President
Tom Himrod - Treasurer
Maggie Phoenix - Secretary

Rose Himrod
Bernad Phoenix
Rie Shiroshita
Carl Tollerander

Exhibit B

Did you know?

Santa Fe has a “Sister City” in Japan

Tsuyama, Japan is in the Okayama Prefecture in central Japan.

Here is what Mayor Webber said about the exchange.

We know that cross-cultural exchanges excite and stimulate learning. For Santa Fe, the world is our classroom and our youth can share learning and gain insight through these student exchanges with our Sister Cities. I had my own experience as an exchange student in Japan and found it most beneficial. The rewards have stayed with me to this day. For Monte del Sol, the students have benefited from over 15 years of sending Santa Fe youth and hosting Japanese students with our Sister City Tsuyama, Japan. We applaud the faculty, families, and students for this continuing effort.

Santa Fe's other Sister Cities are:

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Exhibit C

SCI Tsuyama/Santa Fe/ Sister City Exchanges

Since 1991, there have been 528 exchanges between Santa Fe, New Mexico and in Tsuyama, Japan. These 528 experiences, mostly personally financed, are reduced to organizing, recruiting, and sending about 26 groups or delegations; and the reverse, to receive or host, many times in home stays, these citizen delegates. Keep in mind that both Santa Fe and Tsuyama are smaller cities and this makes the 528 exchange number even more impressive.

It's fair to ask what do we get from this? Why do these ordinary citizens do this? Here are some thoughts.

Friendship. The extended hand of friendship is the best human sign of well-being. These warm personal friendships may last years.

Insight. Your own viewpoint gets shaped differently and with more understanding. Your own viewpoint will be more complete and personally rewarding.

Empathy. It's hard to know what people are feeling or thinking. This becomes a special challenge in a different cultural context.

Stimulation. When the picture is constantly different, you are forced to see and focus more sharply.

Broaden Your Horizon. You begin to ask what's over the mountain? What is that across the river? What is there at the end of the road?

Memories. Now in your memory you have visual rewarding images and cultural cues that trigger warm emotional responses.

Exhibit D