

# SANTA FE SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE June 11, 2014

City Councilors' Conference Room 4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M. 955-6707

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Approval of Minutes May 14, 2014
- 4. Report of Chair Carol Robertson Lopez
  - a. Discussion of Planning Session Retreat Meeting: July 7, 2014
  - b. Folk Art Market Sister Cities Activities
- 5. Report of Staff
- 6. Committee Updates
- 7. Other Items
- 8. Adjournment

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## SANTA FE SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE Wednesday, JUNE 11, 2014

City Councilors' Meeting Room 4:00 p.m. - 5:10 p.m.

#### Ī. Call to Order

The Carol Robertson Lopez, Chair, called the Santa Fe Sister Cities Committee meeting to order at 4:00 pm. A quorum was declared by roll call.

Present:

Carol Robertson Lopez Rudy Fernandez Dr. Jeff Case Bernard Rubenstein Arthur Olivas

Lauren Komer, Student Representative

Not Present:

Ling Tong

Kim Song

Carl Moore

Cathy Magni

Others Present:

Deborah Garcia y Griego, Director

Julie Bystrom, Staff Liaison

#### II. Approval of Agenda

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

#### III. Approval of Minutes

May 14, 2014

Mr. Olivas moved to approve the minutes of May 14, 2014 as presented, second by Mr. Rubenstein, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

#### IV. Report of the Chair – Carol Robertson Lopez

a. Discussion of Planning Session Retreat Meeting: July 7, 2014 Location for Retreat will be the Santa Fe Visitors and Convention Bureau and will take place between the hours of 1:00 pm and 4:30 pm.

Folk Art Market – Sister Cities Activities
 The Sister Cities Committee will meet on Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup> to meet the Artisan's from Bukhara and Incheon.

## V. Report of Staff

- a. Ms. Bystrom reported on updates for the website and encouraged the committee members to visit the website and give her feedback.
- b. Letters to all Mayors's for the Sister Cities have been sent out by Mayor Gonzales. To date, responses have been received from Incheon and Livingston. The letters and annual report were sent by e-mail to expedite the receipt.
- c. Staff is working with Discovery Exhibits to finalize contract for the Santa Fe Airport and City Hall signs.
- d. The group from Tsuyama Japan has been in communications through Sherry Osgood. More information to follow.
- e. Dr. Case asked about the poster project. Dr. Case reiterated that posters show cultural events, design and style. They are wonderful to share with other countries.
- f. SCI Art Work Competition could be a great opportunity to stimulate interest. Promoting a competition would be beneficial and exciting.

### VI. Committee Updates

Dr. Case asked for help in obtaining a contact with Livingston and Zhang Jia Jie.

#### a. Cuba – Bernard Rubenstein

Mr. Bernstein asked that a copy of the Mayor's letter be sent to him and he will assure that his contact in Cuba has received it. If an annual report can be sent to him without pictures that would be great. Mr. Rubenstein will be excused from the July meeting. Mr. Rubenstein will be conducting in Peru this fall.

b. Parral, Mexico – Rudy FernandezMr. Fernandez also asked that a copy of the Mayor's letter be sent to him.

#### c. Tsuyama, Japan – Arthur Olivas

Mr. Olivas said he has been looking for banners and signs on websites and cannot find any. The student group will be arriving on Tuesday, July 22 through Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup>. Six students and their chaperones will stay in local homes. They will enjoy camping and rafting and a potluck will be held for them on July 27<sup>th</sup>. A request has been sent to the Mayor in Tsuyama regarding the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Music Festival. Ms. Bystrom will follow up on this e-mail.

d. Lauren Komer – Youth Report
Written report provided to the committee.

## VII. Other Items

It was suggested that we encourage our sister cities to post on our Santa Fe Sister City Facebook page.

Lauren talked about an e-newsletter that could be done by young people for young people in their sister cities.

## VIII. Adjournment

There being no further action to discuss at the Sister Cities Committee meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 5:10 pm

Signature:

Carol Robertson Lopez, Chair

Fran Lucero, Stenographer