

SANTA FE SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE Special Meeting January 13, 2016

Tesuque Room – 2nd Floor 2:00 – 5:00 pm 955-6707

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- Develop educational programs in schools
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- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Approval of Minutes October 14, 2015
- 4. Facilitated discussion by Carl Moore
 - a. In plain words, "What is the mission of the SF Sister Cities program?"
 - b. What would we like the Sister Cities program to accomplish in two years? What would it look like?
 - c. Which of the existing goals should we retain?
 - d. What goals might we add?
 - e. What are behavioral (quantitative) metrics we can have for each of the goals that will indicate progress is being made toward the accomplishment of each goal?
- 5. Review of goals for Sister Cities Committee
- 6. Adjournment
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1. Call to order:

The Chair called the Sister Cities Chair called the meeting to order at 2:05pm. A quorum was declared by roll call.

Present:

Carol Robertson Lopez, Chair
Carol Moore, Alternate
Kim Song, Alternate
Arthur Olivas
Dr. Jeff Case
Bernard Rubenstein
Ling Tong
Rudy Fernandez

Not Present:

Gilbert Delgado Cathy Magni

Others Present:

Julie Bystrom

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2. Approval of Agenda:

Dr. Case moved to approve the agenda as presented, second by Mr. Olivas, motioned carried by unanimous voice vote.

3. Approval of Minutes – October 14, 2015

Mr. Case moved to approve the minutes as presented, second by Mr. Moore, motioned carried by unanimous voice vote.

4. Carl Moore facilitated a discussion for the Committee with the following question and outcome: What would you like the Sister Cities Committee to accomplish in the next two years? The after some discussion, the Committee responded with the following ideas:

Develop an educational program in schools (Chair would help structure ideas)

Consider a fund raising event that would enable Sister Cities people to come to Santa Fe

Have better communication with each of our Sister Cities

Develop a high school exchange: High school teacher come to Santa Fe: Hosted, participate in class, activities in schools. Santa Fe teachers go to Sister City with mutual exchange

Keep key contacts with each Sister City up-to-date. Make sure there is continuity. Identify what each country and Santa Fe mutually want: ie joint exchange, small art festivals, small scale tourism, etc.

Meet with artists to exchange ideas before Folk Art Market

Systematize Sister Cities application process. Who do we bring in? How? Why?

Every Sister City Committee develop sub-committee of at least 2-3 people. Main representative would then bring up-to-date report of contact, projects, etc. to full committee

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Work with Travel Bug to connect community. Develop travel talks for each city, starting with Cuba since Cuba is currently a 'hot' destination

Plan reception of Installation of Sister Cities Display

Santa Fe Chamber tours -look for a way for Sister Cities to be tapped into tours

Organize a tour

Each committee member put together Outreach lecture box for schools

Build on existing school programs. Add one new program each year

Develop programs to engage local community in name of Sister Cities

Develop possible host families for visiting teachers

Each Sister Cities become involved in exchange reading program. We send, they send.

Get New Mexican to do a Sunday Spotlight feature on Sister Cities installation ceremony.

Develop relationship with Santa Fe School of Art and Design

Work with students

Develop a full year calendar of events online

Use Facebook and Social media

Each time a delegation comes, include public event

Recruit others to help in Sister Cities events

Become involved with World Affairs Council and other international entities - convene and meet

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Develop Sister Cities cultural opportunities

Explore Sister Cities music/groups in relationship to Bandstand. (ie promote Sister Cities in relationship to type of music)

Participate in Pastors for Peace - Cuba

5. Adjournment:

There being no further business, the Chair called for adjournment at 4:30pm

Signature Page:

Carol Robertson Lopez

Julie Bystrom