



Agenda

SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE

Wednesday September 12, 2018

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

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes
 - a) August 8, 2018
5. Report of Chair
6. Reports & Updates
 - a) Education Committee –Jeff Case, Sky Lopez
 - b) Bukhara, Uzbekistan
 - c) Holguin, Cuba
 - d) Icheon, South Korea
 - e) Livingstone, Zambia
 - f) Parral, Mexico
 - g) San Miguel de Allende, Mexico
 - h) Santa Fe de la Vega, Spain
 - i) Sorrento, Italy
 - j) Tsuyama, Japan
 - k) Zhangjiajie, China

7. Report of Staff

8. Adjourn

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SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE
MINUTES
Wednesday, September 12, 2018
4:00 pm – 5:05 pm

MINUTES

Goals of the Sister Cities Committee

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Carol Robertson Lopez called the Sister Cities Committee to order at 4:00 pm, roll call reflects a quorum.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Carol Robertson Lopez, Chair
Dr. Jeff Case
Arthur Olivas
Rhonda Faught
Sky Stith
Rudy Fernandez
Carlene Carey
Bernard Rubenstein
Carl Moore

NOT PRESENT:

Clara Padilla Andrews

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jackie Camborde
John Trentacosta
Mike Owen
Fran Lucero, Stenographer

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

No changes from staff or committee members.

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

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – AUGUST 8, 2018

Mr. Fernandez moved to approve the minutes as presented, second by Ms. Faught, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

5. REPORT OF CHAIR

- The Chair stated that it has been a pleasure to have the delegation from Uzbekistan in Santa Fe this week.
- The Chair reported that Mr. Fernandez had personal contacts/friends from Parral, MX visiting Santa Fe and that she and Dr. Case were able to visit over dinner and discuss with ways to re-engage Parral. Thank you to Mr. Fernandez for maintaining and nourishing his Parral friendships.
- Every year for the last 8 years we have celebrated the Fiesta Fela. Dr. Case introduced Kamajou Tadfor from Africa. Sister Cities has given a little bit of money to this event every year. Dr. Case had the pleasure of meeting Kamajou and has established a wonderful friendship where they have discussed the quality of music groups and their participation in Santa Fe Sister Cities. Dr. Case will continue his conversation with Kamajou about future events in Santa Fe.

Kamajou stated Fiesta Fela has been in existence for eight years now in Santa Fe. This celebration brings our culture to the community and introduces the African culture to the community. This year there will be a Blues player from Africa who has been performing for 45 years. JAMBU helps as much as they can but funding is not healthy. We have been working with the city and the modest contributions are appreciated. Kamajou came today to renew his relationship with Sister Cities and the City and is in hopes that the city can help with funding and support in the future. This is a free event and will be held on October 13th – 10 am to 6 pm.

The Sister Cities committee members shared contacts with Mr. Kamajou which will lead to future dialogue.

The Chair explained that any action items need to be advertised prior to the meeting so an action for funding could not be acted on today. The Chair asked Jackie Camborde to discuss with Ms. Garcia y Griego an amount to contribute to the Fiesta Fela. Once it is voted on, the amount and check can be issued. The Chair and committee members are recommending \$600. Sister Cities gave \$500 last year. This item to be placed on next month agenda.

The Chair asked someone to go to Coca Cola and have a banner made for Sister Cities (they are made free of charge). The Committee members can also volunteer their time at the event and the contact information for Kamajou is on the card distributed at this meeting. Sister Cities can also help by publicizing the event. Kamajou also offered a table at the event for Sister Cities.

Dr. Case suggested that Kamajou extend an invitation to Mayor Webber to attend Fiesta Fela. The Chair said it is also important to attend a City Council meeting and invite the Mayor and the Council. The next meeting is September 26, 2018. Thank you.

The Chair would like Kamajou to come back at the November meeting to provide a report on the event.

6. REPORTS AND UPDATES

a. EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Reminder that three of the members have terms ending in October. The Chair will work on that for future action.

Dr. Case is working on his journal; he now has a commitment from a friend to help complete the document formatting. The theme for the journal is sustainability, and it is 4 countries, Zambia, Korea, Parral, Mexico and Santa Fe.

Dr. Case has developed conceptually introducing Santa Fe Sister Cities to grade school kids. Dr. Case has put greetings in different locations (listed verbally), and has sent to a colleague at the Rio Grande School and her initial response was positive. Dr. Case will work with Carlene Carey and Sky Stith to create a plan on how to proceed to get it distributed. Dr. Case is in hopes that we get the YAAS art project back so we can do something with that.

b. BUKHARA, UZBEKISTAN

Delegation report above.

c. HOLGUIN, CUBA

Congratulations to Mr. Rubenstein. There will be 4 doctors at tonight's event that graduated from the Medical School in Cuba. There will be a short documentary for 1 hour, and thank you for the donations to pay for the screen rental fee. The student we supported in the past, Tatiana will also be in attendance. The goal is to interest those who want to study without debt. This will take place at the Screen at 7:00 pm. Ms. Carey will speak with Mr. Rubenstein off line on how beneficial this would be at Capital High School. One of the

Doctors coming tonight is Dr. Carmen Landau from Santa Fe and her late father, Dr. Saul Landau made many contributions.

d. ICHEON, SOUTH KOREA

Dr. Case and the Chair were invited to the Rice Festival in South Korea and will be attending on October 17th. The Mayor was invited, we do not know of his attendance. The invitation came by certified mail and this is a formal invitation that the Chair and Dr. Case accepted. The Chair and Dr. Case will meet with the schools in Icheon; Dr. Case works very hard to keep those relationships alive. Icheon is known as the center of ceramics in Korea. South Korea is known to be the capital of Ceramics.

e. LIVINGSTONE, ZAMBIA

Report above.

f. PARRAL, MEXICO

Rudy Fernandez: There were 6 people from Parral that came during the Santa Fe Fiesta. His friend is a past city councilor and one of the other individuals was also the son of a current city councilor. Mr. Fernandez explained that the present administration doesn't understand the importance or historical value of the Sister City relationship. Juan Pablo asked Mr. Fernandez, "what can I do for you?" Mr. Fernandez asked him to make an effort for us to have a line of communication with the new administration. Juan Pablo also extended an invitation to visit Parral; the best time is the feast and the Assassination of Poncho de Villa in July. There are many other communities where the Spanish travelled to Santa Fe that he could make the arrangements. This would be a great future trip. The date is not locked in, but other future dates could be discussed.

g. SAN MIGUEL DE ALLENDE, MEXICO

h. SANTA FE DE LA VEGA, SPAIN

i. SORRENTO, ITALY

Mr. Trentacosta talked about his last attendance at Sister Cities with his friend John who is very involved in Sorrento, Italy. Part of the exchange talked about is that Mr. Trentacosta would go to Sorrento for the Jazz Festival and they would do an educational exchange with the NM School for the Arts. John delivered a letter from Mayor Webber to the Mayor of Sorrento congratulating him in as the newly elected Mayor. That exchange has now been solidified. This is a component that takes money, and one of the things talked about to raise money is to create a 501C3; Mr. Trentacosta said he has a 501C3

that could be used until the Sister Cities could obtain their own. He explained the benefit of having a 501C3.

The Chair verified that no member of the Sister Cities can serve on a 501C3.

Staff made the announcement that this is not a discussion that can be held at the Sister City Committee meeting regarding a 501C3.

Mr. Trentacosta would like to have the Sister Cities Committee members support the Sorrento Italy endeavor.

j. TSUYAMA, JAPAN
~~No~~ Mayor at this time.
Recall

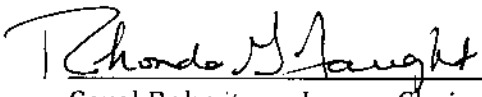
k. ZHANGJIAJIE, CHINA
Chair reported that the delegation from Zhangjiajie did not come to Santa Fe. They talked about an invite to an event in China but we have not received that invite. The Chair will share with the committee should an invite be received.


Staff Report: Jackie Camborde
Santa Fe – Folk Art Festival Artist from Haiti and a local artist.
Gateway to Santa Fe Arch – We worked with the Haitian Artist from the Folk Art Market and a local artist. Due to the busy schedule for Folk Art Market, the dedication will be done in September in conjunction with the 15 year anniversary. It will be installed at Larragoite Park

7. ADJOURN

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

Signature Page:


for Carol Robertson-Lopez, Chair


Eran Lucero, Stenographer

*The Santa Fe festival of African
Art and Culture*

Afreeka Santa Fe is a 501(c)(3) organization formed to facilitate Fiesta Fela and other community events in Santa Fe New Mexico. Fiesta Fela is a daylong African cultural festival that takes place every fall. Now in it's 8th year, Fiesta Fela draws upon local and African artist to create an immersive community experience.



10 AM - 6 PM
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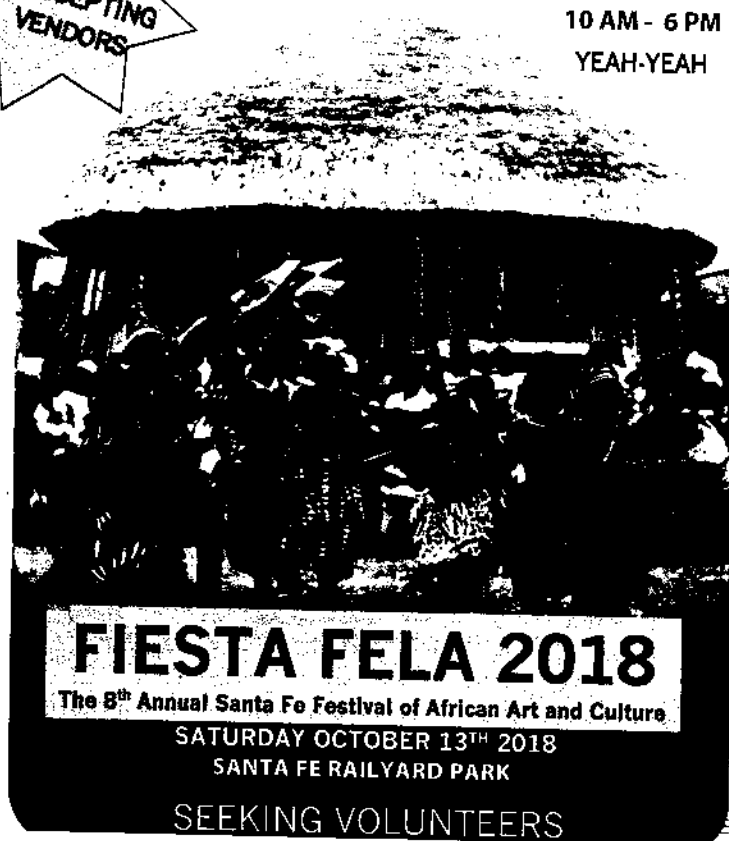


Exhibit A