



Agenda

SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 11, 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

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes
 - a) August 14, 2019
5. Report of Staff
6. Report of Chair
7. Reports & Updates
 - a) Education Committee, Jeff Case, Ph.D. and Sky Stiha
 - 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
8. Adjourn

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DATE: September 5, 2019

TIME: 11:32 PM

Sister Cities Committee
Minutes
August 14, 2019
4:00 – 5:03 PM

1. Call to Order

Chair Carol Robertson Lopez called the Sister Cities Meeting to order at 4:02 pm, Administrative Conference Room, 201 West Marcy Street, Santa Fe, NM with a quorum declared by roll call.

ROLL CALL:

Present

Carol Robertson Lopez, Chair

Dr. Jeff Case

Rudy Fernandez

Arthur Olivas

Sky Stith

Not Present, Excused

Carl Moore

Carlene Carey

Bernard Rubenstein

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda was changed to make item 7, Discussion of an additional sister city in Germany first after approval of minutes. Revised agenda was moved, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

3. Approval of Minutes, May 8, 2019 and June 12, 2019

- a. Minutes were moved to be approved, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

4. Discussion of the Exploration of an additional sister city in Germany

- a. John Lonergan attended the meeting at the request of the Chair to discuss his idea of adding a sister city in Germany.
- b. The motivation to add the sister city is to support an effort he is moving forward for a work-study track at Santa Fe High School.
- c. Secondly there can be a wine festival exchange
- d. This is a prototype program modeled after successful programs in all German secondary education schools.
- e. The two cities recommended are Esslingen and Constance.
- f. After a discussion, the committee formalized a recommendation to move forward with an inquiry to establish a friendship city with either Esslingen or Constance. To do this:
 - i. John will reach out to Lutz Arnhold, GM of The Rosewood Anasazi Hotel (with support from Randy) to gather those interested in creating the German friendship city.
 - ii. John will contact the mayor of Esslingen to determine interest in a second city relationship in the US. If not supportive, John will determine interest from Constance.

- iii. Chair Lopez will draft a letter of interest for the mayor to consider after the specific city is determined.

5. Report of Staff

- a. Jeff Case handled the visit from Icheon, South Korea very well. Randy was able to meet with the mayor and felt they had a very beneficial conversation regarding tourism.
- b. Pauline Kamiyama, new Arts Commission Director, will start on September 9 and will be at the next Sister Cities Committee meeting.
- c. Sister Cities will need to make a recommendation as to where it is supported – Arts Commission or Tourism.

6. Report of Director

- a. Brought committee up to date on the national sister cities activities.
- b. Advised the committee she will not be available at the next Sister City Committee meeting on September 11.

7. Other reports and updates

- a. Jeff Case reviewed the activities during the past month. Copies of his report enclosed.
- b. General discussion of committee member activities.

8. Adjourn

- a. Meeting adjourned at 5:03PM.

Signature:

Carol Robertson Lopez, Chair

Randy Randall, Staff Representative