

Idaho Falls Sister City Youth Approved Meeting-Minutes

This meeting was conducted using the platform 8 X 8

April 13, 2020

Attendees

David Eaton	Katie Eaton	Kylie Eaton	Lori Kidwell
Sam Hawker	Max Medema	Charlie Medema	Heather Medema
Mike Medema	Stephanie VanAusdeln	Rebecca Smith	Nicholas Cebull
Anna St. Michel	Whitney St. Michel	Maggie Boring	Laura Combs
Charlotte Combs	Kendra Peck	Nathan Peck	Carter Thompson
Jennifer Thompson	Tim Thompson	Jackie Sugai	Jorge Padron
Gabe Padron			

Approval of minutes

Lori Kidwell motioned to approve the April 1, 2020 meeting minutes and it was seconded by Whitney St. Michel. No objections.

Treasurer's Report

Current balance in checking is \$14,743.00.

Fundraisers

Cherry Blossom Festival Raffle

Whitney had emailed the list of donations and asked each person to confirm. There was a discussion on the best way to raffle the donations, what program should be used, date of the raffle, payment method, advertising, baskets, selling tickets, and sending thank you cards .

A suggestion was to make baskets for people who live in this area and would be able to use donated items that are in and around Idaho Falls and baskets for non-locals which would include items that can be used in anytown, USA.

Sam Hawker had looked over several raffle programs and stated that Raffle Copter was free for one month or a small fee for longer. David Eaton will look at the pros and cons with using Raffle Copter for the fundraiser.

Lori Kidwell and Sam Hawker will look into the advertising on the television calendar. Whitney St. Michel will look into selling raffle tickets through IFSCY email (IFSCY81@gmail.com). The group also discussed payment method for raffle tickets (PayPal or Venmo). Carter Thompson and Jennifer Thompson will look into the pros and cons of payment method.

By the next meeting (May 6) the group will make a decision on when to have the raffle. Thank you notes will be sent out shortly after the group schedules the raffle date.

Reach out to all your friends and family members near and far and tell them about the IFSCY raffle that will be happening soon.

Student Exchange to Japan

David Eaton received a call from Cindy Osaki who stated that Tokai Mura Sister City is going to meet to discuss switching the years the Idaho Falls students go to Tokai-Mura and the Tokai Mura students coming to Idaho Falls. In other words, Tokai Mura will meet to discuss switching the years. (Idaho Falls students could go in the odd numbered years and students from Tokai-Mura would travel to Idaho Falls in the even numbered years). David will know more and share at the May 6th meeting.

Whitney stated that she will be contacting the airline to cancel the reservation for the July trip.

Planned Activities

Carter Thompson will be editing the pictures and videos that show what students are doing during this coronavirus self isolation time. The edited version will be sent to the Tokai-Muri students

Reminder

The next meeting is on May 6, 2020 at 7:00. Everyone will be notified by David Eaton through email for the link to '8X8'. Please put these meeting dates on your calendar: May 6th and 18th, June 3rd and 15th.

Student Activity

During this meeting, 4/13/2020, we had a presentation by Nicholas Cebull, on the Japanese government, as shown down below.

[Japanese Government Presentation by Nicholas Cebull](#)

Reminder: Maggie Boring has the next meeting presentation.

Meeting Adjourned

Rebecca Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Maggie Boring..