



Santa Fe Springs Sister City Committee
Town Center Hall – Meeting Room 1
Monday, September 9, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Peggy Radoumis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Kayla Perez
3. ROLL CALL – ERIC EY, ACTING COMMUNITY SERVICES SUPERVISOR/EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Members Present: Susan Johnston, Jacqueline Martinez, Marcella Obregon, Kayla Perez, Beverly Radoumis, Peggy Radoumis, Laurie Rios, Martha Villanueva, Jeannette Wolfe, Doris Yarwood, Charlotte Zevallos, Manny Zevallos

Members Absent: Francis Carbajal, Andrea Lopez

Staff: Michelle Smith, Community Services Supervisor/Executive Secretary (Excused)
Eric Ey, Acting Community Services Supervisor

Council Liaison: Juanita Trujillo, Mayor (Excused)

Guests: None

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PEGGY RADOUMIS- CHAIRPERSON
Nothing to report

5. APPROVAL OF August 5, 2019 MINUTES*

A motion was made by Charlotte Zevallos, and seconded by Laurie Rios, to approve the amended Minutes of August 5, 2019. The motion was carried unanimously.

(Amendment to August 5, 2019 Minutes)

ANNOUNCEMENTS –

- Laurie Rios announced that she will not be at the Fiestas Patrias due to her grandson's wedding.
- Beverly Radoumis informed the Committee that two of the youth members, Natalia and Andrew, would not be able to go on the exchange next year since they will be going to Zambia on Mission. Ms. Villanueva asked if the Committee would be able to contribute their funds to the Mission instead since it was Germany that canceled the exchange this year. Mr. Matsumoto placed this on the Future Agenda Items for the next meeting.

(Amendment to August 5, 2019 Minutes)

OLD BUSINESS –

- Fiestas Patrias fundraising will consist of nachos, popcorn, water, coffee, and soda. Planning and discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Francis Carbajal, and seconded by Laurie Rios, to approve \$400 plus expenses in change for the Fiestas Patrias Fundraising Booth. The motion carried unanimously.

6. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT – Council Liaison Report was tabled in Mayor Juanita Trujillo’s absence.

7. OFFICER ELECTIONS* - ERIC EY – The Officer Elections were tabled until next meeting.

8. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT – ERIC EY

a. Fiestas Patrias, Friday, September 13, 2019 @ Town Center Plaza –This year’s Fiestas Patrias will be held at Town Center Plaza on Friday, September 13th from 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. There will be free entertainment, crafts, a Kid Zone, food trucks, and the Firefighters Association Beer Garden. Live Acts include Mariachi Monumental, Carolina Russek and Co., Kimberly Garcia, and Mariachi Los Camperos.

9. OLD BUSINESS – PEGGY RADOUMIS

b. Fundraising Ideas & Upcoming Fundraisers

- Fiestas Patrias – Donations of name brand soda was requested. Volunteers were requested to arrive on Friday at 5 p.m.
- Cost of items at Fiestas will be Nachos: \$2, Drinks: \$1, Popcorn: \$2. Mr. Ey will make signs for the booth.

10. NEW BUSINESS – PEGGY RADOUMIS

a. Fundraising Distribution Discussion* - Eric Ey informed the Committee that the Committee is able to make a motion to distribute funds raised by the students that were not able to go to Germany due to the cancelation by Germany. The students requested a refund of the funds they raised for the exchange so that they could use them to fund their mission.

A motion was made by Manny Zevallos, and seconded by Susan Johnston to refund the students affected by the cancelation by Germany the funds that they raised for the exchange if approved by the CPA. The motioned carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued regarding amending the standing rules to permit this in the future. Mr. Ey informed the committee that a discussion regarding standing rules is on the agenda as a future agenda item and can be discussed once the City Clerk’s office provides the committee with standing rule revisions at a later date.

Jeannette Wolfe will reach out to the CPA to make sure that the Committee is legally able to refund the students.

b. Tirschenreuth Update – Peggy Radoumis read a letter from the new liaison for the Tirschenreuth Sister City Exchange. Anika Schobert will be the temporary replacement for Sabena. Ms. Schobert is looking forward to working with the Committee to plan the 2020 exchange. Chairperson Radoumis would like to contact the students to see how many are interested in going. Mr. Ey will report this information to the Committee at the next meeting.

11. FINANCIAL REPORT* - JEANNETTE WOLFE – TREASURER

August Finance Report –Treasurer Jeannette Wolfe Distributed the August Report to the Committee.

A motion was made by Susan Johnston, and seconded by Martha Villanueva, to receive and file the financial report. The motion carried unanimously.

a. Bills/Invoices –

- The invoice for Mary Reeds plaque totaled \$65.00 and will be mailed out this week.

12. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT – PEGGY RADOUMIS

a. Young Ambassadors Subcommittee Report –

Nothing new to report.

b. Navojoa Subcommittee Report – Peggy Radoumis

The Santa Fe Springs Fire Department donated a Hazmat Truck to Navojoa. There were also uniforms and other items donated. Training was offered if needed.

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – ERIC EY

- Young Ambassador Association Standing Rules Discussion - Subcommittee Report
- Sister City Committee Standing Rules – Subcommittee Report

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS – PEGGY RADOUMIS

- Doris Yarwood described the plaque for Mary Reed and asked if any other lines would like to be added. Charlotte Zevallos stated that Mary ha
- Susan Johnston announced that she will getting a shot in her spine on Friday, September 13th.
- Jeannette Wolfe announced that a former chaperone, Stephanie's son turned 1 year old. Robert will be staying in Germany for the Doctorate Program. Thomas is now an electrical Lineman.
- Eric Ey announced to the Committee that Adam Matsumoto has taken a position with Temple City as Director of Parks and Recreation. His last day will be Friday, September 13th.
- Laurie Rios informed the Committee that her grandson will be getting married on Friday, September 13th.
- Martha Villanueva will not be at the next meeting due to a scheduled heart surgery.

- Kayla Perez told the Committee that she was accepted to the Graduate Program at Cal State Fullerton.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Peggy Radoumis adjourned the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, October 7, 2019 at the Town Center Hall at 6:30 p.m.



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