



Santa Fe Springs Sister City Committee  
Town Center Hall – Meeting Room 1  
Monday, January 7, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Peggy Radoumis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Marcella Obregon
3. ROLL CALL – MICHELLE SMITH, COMMUNITY SERVICES SUPERVISOR

*Members Present:* Debra Cabrera, Francis Carbajal, A.J. Hayes, Susan Johnston, Andrea Lopez, Jacqueline Martinez, Marcella Obregon, Beverly Radoumis, Peggy Radoumis, Laurie Rios, Martha Villanueva, Jeannette Wolfe, Doris Yarwood, Charlotte Zevallos, Manny Zevallos

*Members Absent:* None

*Staff:* Michelle Smith, Community Services Supervisor/Executive Secretary

*Council Liaison:*

*Guests:* Kiki Valenzuela – Sister City guest from Navojoa, Mexico  
Natalia Valenzuela – Sister City guest from Navojoa, Mexico

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PEGGY RADOUMIS- CHAIRPERSON
  - Andrea Lopez introduced Kiki Valenzuela and his daughter Natalia Valenzuela. Mr. Valenzuela is a member of Navojoa Sister City Committee and is visiting Santa Fe Springs.
5. APPROVAL OF November 5, 2018 MINUTES\*  
A motion was made by A.J Hayes, and seconded by Laurie Rios, to approve the amended Minutes of November 5, 2018. The motion was carried unanimously.

**Section 3: Roll Call:**

- Members Present: Debra Cabrera, Francis Carbajal, A.J. Hayes, Jacqueline Martinez, Marcella Obregon, Martha Villanueva, Doris Yarwood

6. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT –In the absence of a Council Liaison, the report will be tabled until next meeting.

7. **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT** – Michelle Smith reported on the following:
  - a. **Excursion – Downey Theatre Presents: Hotel California – A Salute to the Eagles on January 25, 6:45 p.m.** – The City Excursion to the Downey Theatre will take place on January 25, leaving from Town Center Hall at 6:45 p.m. There are seats available.
  - b. **Family Fun Run** – The Annual Family Fun Run will be held on Saturday, April 6 at 7 a.m. The route will be similar to last year.
8. **OLD BUSINESS** – PEGGY RADOUMIS
  - a. **Fundraising Ideas – Peggy Radoumis**
    - Casino Trip – The Sister City Youth group will be having a turn-around trip to the Viejas Casino on March 2, 2019. Tickets will be \$25.
    - Popcorn Fundraiser – Ms. Radoumis stated that the Popcorn Sale went very well. Total in sales was \$1,332 with an estimated \$582 profit.
    - Clothes Drive - Charlotte Zevallos announced that there will be a clothes drive on Saturday, January 12.
  - b. **Committee Holiday Dinner – Recap** – Ms. Radoumis thanked all that attended the dinner and donated to the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center Basket Program. A Thank You letter from the Gus Velasco Neighborhood center was read to the Committee.
9. **NEW BUSINESS** – PEGGY RADOUMIS
  - a. **Tree Lighting Ceremony Fundraiser Recap** - Tabled until next meeting
  - b. **Mary Reed Recognition** – Peggy Radoumis would like to have a plaque made to honor Mary Reed’s years of service to Sister City Committee.  
A motion was made by Laurie Rios, and seconded by Susie Johnston to purchase a plaque in honor of Mary Reed. The motion passed unanimously.
  - c. **Selection of the German Exchange Trip Chaperones – Airline Tickets** – A.J. Hayes made a motion to table discussion until new Council Liaison was in attendance at next meeting. The motion was seconded by Laurie Rios. The motion carried with a seven to six vote.  
**Note:** Current airfare is \$1,544.
10. **FINANCIAL REPORT\*** - JEANNETTE WOLFE – TREASURER
  - a. **November/December Finance Report**- Ms. Wolfe passed out November/December Finance report and briefly went over entries.
  - b. **Bills/Invoices** – Jeannette Wolfe went over bills and invoices.
  - c. **Candy Sales** – Jeannette Wolfe went over funds made by Candy Sales.
11. **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT** – PEGGY RADOUMIS
  - a. **Young Ambassadors Subcommittee Report**
    - No new information
  - b. **Navojoa Subcommittee Report** – Peggy Radoumis
    - No new information

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – MICHELLE SMITH

- a. Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser
- b. Selection of the German Exchange Trip Chaperones – Airline Tickets
- c. Sister City Committee Funds

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS – PEGGY RADOUMIS

- Peggy Radoumis announced that the Pancake Breakfast date will be Saturday, April 20, 2019. Tickets will be \$4.50 pre-sale and \$5.00 the day of. Tickets will be generated by Michelle Smith.
- Peggy Radoumis took a headcount of members attending the casino trip on March 2. Michelle Smith will generate a flyer.
- Manny Zevallos asked for an up-date on what would happen to the Sister City Committee money if the Committee disbands. The City Attorney and City Clerk are looking into question.
- Michelle Smith wanted the Committee to think about how many chaperones will be going to Germany and who will qualify. The member or members who go on the trip should have an attendance record for fundraisers and meetings of 90%. Since no member has this attendance record, the Committee should think about the how they will choose who is eligible.

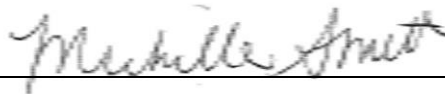
14. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Peggy Radoumis adjourned the meeting in honor of Jim Burton and Mary Reed at 7:10 p.m.

**The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 4, 2019 at the Town Center Hall at 6:30 p.m.**



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Michelle Smith, Executive Secretary