

## Approved

### Idaho Falls Sister City Youth Meeting-Minutes March 6, 2019

#### Attendees:

Aliyah Gamino	Abel Doyle Gabe Padron
Vina Gamino	Diana Doyle Tate Corbridge
Izabel Kelley	Aaron Doyle Wendy Boring
Laura Kelley	Jo Gallegos Maggie Boring
Heather Medema	Abby Gallegos Anna St. Michel
Nicholas Cebull	Charlotte Sun Whitney St. Michel
Nathan Peck	Charlotte Combs Rebecca Smith
Kendra Peck	Laura Combs Stephanie VanAusdeln
Kylie Eaton	Lori Kidwell Brennan Corbridge
Katie Eaton	Sam Hawker Jack Iverson
David Eaton	Jackie Sugai Jorge Padron
Melinda Cebull	Aiden Gallegos

#### Approval of minutes:

February 20, 2019 meeting minutes needs a correction--Whitney is helping Jorge and Gabe with advertisement. That being said Kendra motioned to approved and seconded by Aaron Doyle.

#### Reminder:

Idaho Falls Sister City Youth will meet again next Monday, March 11, 2019 at 7:00 in the library.

#### Koi Pond Garden Update:

On February 27, Heather Medema and Charlie Medema talked with the manager and the landscape designer from Town and Country about the Koi Pond garden. They will draw up plans and submit them. The manager and landscape designer noted there is a scale infestation that needs attending to.

Heather asked if the group would consider a "Clean Up Day" for the Koi Pond sometime in June. This needs to be brought up again at another meeting.

Heather also has a photographer lined up to take pictures of the final work of the garden.

#### Fundraisers:

To date the **Paramount** fundraiser has earned IFSCY group \$790.00. After some discussion Whitney made the motion to not sell any more Paramount tickets (and turn in the 21 unsold tickets) so the group

can focus on the next fundraiser. The group voted to in favor of ending the Paramount fundraiser until the fall.

### **Fundraisers continue:**

The group discussed selling **Town and Country Gift Cards**. Last year the group made \$160.00 The coordinator receives one point and for every \$80.00 in gift cards sold a student receives one point.

Rebecca Smith suggested that this fundraiser be delayed for one year. It was voted on and agreed to delay selling Town and Country Gift Cards for one year.

**Annual garage sale** is typically held the third week in May-the same day that Shamrock Park has the neighborhood garage sale. The group will discuss and make decisions at a later time.

The **Cherry Blossom Festival** is scheduled at the Snow Eagle April 25. Lori requested that each person soliciting donations fill out the form and give it to her by the next meeting. The forms are used to send out thank you cards.

A flyer was created by Aliyah. The group talked about whether or not the flyer needed the Sister City's logo on it. The group decided that Aliyah could create the flyer using her own discretion.

A suggestion that a poster be created and displayed at Snow Eagle containing a list of businesses that made donations.

Sam Hawker will make a Japanese themed poster.

Donation sign up sheet was passed around to group members.

Jorge and Gabe will put pictures of baskets on the website.

### **Bylaws:**

A clean copy along with the redline strikeout version and the original was emailed to members. Rebecca asked that for more specific language in reference to "each student starts with zero point". The group discussed and agreed. Whitney motioned to approve the bylaws with a clarification on students who were eligible, but did not participate in previous exchange and Rebecca seconded it. The group voted. Unanimous vote to approve the by laws.

### **Student Exchange Planning:**

Students from Japan will arrive July 25 and depart August 6. Whitney stated that in mid April she will start asking for families to host. Coordination of recommended activities will be discussed at a future time.

### **Library Clean-up:**

Heather Medema suggested that a clean up day in June. The date will be determined at another meeting.

## **Student Activities**

### **Newsletter:**

Kendra has 'write ups' from Nicholas Cebull, Nathan Peck, Kylie Eaton, and Charles Medema. A sign up sheet went around for students to sign up to write a paragraph on the activities that take place in the IFSCY. All students are asked to have the paragraphs completed and turned in as soon as possible.

### **Logo:**

The symbol for Sister Cities might be changing. According to a Hina, Japanese Exchange Student believes that the people in Japan would agree, although they would have to go through an actual Government process. A student from the IFSCY brought a poster that was well done the IFSCY group would like to begin the process of looking into changing the logo. In the meantime the group agreed that Aliyah could use her discretion in using it. Because it was very artfully done, and it may draw attention to our fundraiser.

It was proposed to the group of students that if students would like to create a logo please do so and bring it to the meeting.

### **T-shirt Design**

IFSCY group are looking for a new T-shirt design. Anyone may create one, and we would again like as many as possible.

### **Proposed Activities for Summer Exchange were discussed:**

The group discussed option for activities to do when the students from Japan are here this summer. In previous years the group did the following activities: City Day includes tours to the police, fire department, to the Mayor's office. Yellowstone, Musium, Lagoon, Idaho Falls Zoo, the War Bonnet Rodeo, float trip, farewell dinner celebrating American holidays, fishing (major disagreement), EVR1, Craters of the Moon, Pizza Pie Cafe to make their own pizza, Chucker's game, roller skating, Jackson Rapids, Rexburg rapids, aquarium, looking at school (needs planning), Barbecue, Football, Farm Day, Potato factory, Fireworks, Camping/ marshmallows and hot dogs, Indian powwow, and Island Park and movies for traveling.

Side note: For the Potato Factory, I know a kind person, and Idahoan would be willing to donate a basket and give a tour to the Japanese Exchange Students on one main condition. He would need the names of all Americans, so that another competing company cannot go through and see their machinery and the like. They would need some information in advance.

Nicholas Cebull motion to adjourn meeting. Seconded by Rebecca Smith. Meeting adjourned.