

Idaho Falls Sister City Youth Approved Meeting-Minutes

Because of the pandemic this meeting was conducted using the platform 'Zoom'

April 1, 2020

Attendees

Maggie Boring	Nicholas Cebull	Melinda Cebull	Kylie Eaton
Katie Eaton	David Eaton	Sam Hawker	Lori Kidwell
Nathan Peck	Kendra Peck	Anna St. Michel	Whitney St. Michel
Carter Thompson	Jennifer Thompson		

Approval of minutes

Lori Kidwell motioned to approve the March 16, 2020 meeting minutes and it was seconded by Whitney St. Michel. No objections.

Fundraisers

Canceled/Postponed events

Cherry Blossom Festival

Students discussed alternate approaches for the Cherry Blossom Festival fundraiser as it is indefinitely postponed. One suggestion was to sell raffle tickets for the donated items online using the platform such as Raffle Copter. Sam Hawker volunteered to learn more about the software. Students discussed finding ways to allow people to get gift cards.

Everyone please email Whitney St. Michel the donations you have.

Carter Thompson asked for the compiled list of donations and he'll work on putting the donations on the Raffle Copter site.

Garage Sale

Garage sale is postponed for now and may be cancelled.

Student Exchange to Japan

Whitney will be talking with the airline company to find out if the exchange does happen this year if the group can keep the reservation but move it to another time.

Tokai-Muri Board is taking under consideration if they want to have our students over this year. Whitney or Kendra will let us know the decision from the Tokai Muri Board.

Possible alternate routes have been suggested, such as a later trip or cancelling this year's visit and having the Idaho Falls students visit Japan next year.

The Board will need to meet to discuss if monies earned by each student over the past two years will be saved and designated for each student's travel to Japan in the future.

Planned Activities

Nathan Peck suggested that our group does a live interaction with Tokai-Muri students with a video call to Japan through Zoom. This would include an activity like Kahoot. Kendra Peck will try to schedule a time for this event.

Another activity for Idaho Falls students is to send a small video clip of how each student is using their time during the self isolation time caused by the pandemic. Please send your pictures or video clips to Carter Thompson who will edit them together then give them to Kendra, who will send them to the Tokai-Muri students. This is just to show what we are doing here in America to the Japanese students.

Please have your video clips/pictures to Carter Thompson by April 8, 2020.

Tonight's Lesson

Carter Thompson taught 10 important phrases in Japanese.

1. arigato means "thank you". (arigato gosaimashita)
2. onegai shimosu translates to "please".
3. Sumimasen translates to "excuse me".
4. Hai translates to "yes".
5. Iie means "No". to "Do you speak English?"
6. Gomen nasai translates to "sorry".
7. wakari masen translates to "I don't understand."
8. eigo o kimashita? translates
9. madoko desuka? translates to "Where is the ... ?" or "What you are looking for?"
10. ira nai translates to a strong "I don't need it".

Reminder

The next meeting is on April 13, 2020 at 7:00. Everyone will be notified by David Eaton through email for the link to 'Zoom'. Please put these meeting dates on your calendar: May 6th and 18th, June 3rd and 15th.

Meeting Adjourned

Kendra Peck motioned to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Carter Thompson.