

Bloomington-Normal Japanese Sister Cities Committee Meeting

Place: CIRA Airport Conference Room

Date: June 4, 2018

Members in attendance: Steven Campbell, Sanae Ferrier, Jeff Kroesch, Dawn McBride, Catrina Murphy, Ken Ota, Noha Shawki, Kyle Silver, Akiko Wilson

Excused Absence: Toyoka Nishihara, Dawn Sadicoff, Darren Sampson,

Absent without notice: Robert Harrison,

Guest(s): Sally Modine

Meeting was called to order at 6:30p.m. by Catrina.

- **Meeting Minutes:**
 1. Minutes for May was presented and it was moved to accept, with one correction of guest name, by Jeff seconded by Steven. Then it was approved unanimously.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Reported by Catrina
 1. May report was submitted. All items are usual ones and it was motioned to accept by Steven, seconded by Sanae then was approved unanimously.
- **Chairman's report:** by Catrina
 1. Dawn McBride is now an official member.
 2. Vice Chair and Treasurer's positions are open and anybody is welcome to raise hand.
- **Senior High students to Asahikawa:** Reported by Noha and Akiko
 1. Mitchell: Blog for May report is updated. He is coming back on 6/10/18 at O'Hare and to be picked up by his parents.
 2. 2018-19 Asia: Japanese study in on-going with good results. "Genki I" is almost over and Akiko suggested Asia to acquire II. She will leave for Japan on August 8th from Bloomington.
- **Senior High students from Asahikawa:** Reported by Sanae
 1. Minami returned home safely. She attended BHS's graduation ceremony.
 2. 2018-19 Chiyu Kato: Chiyu is arriving on August 1st. Candidate for the first host family has been found and Sanae is arranging necessary paperwork. Hauck family will host Chiyu from August till October. Search for 2nd and 3rd host families still continues.
 3. Sanae wants someone to start working with her for the next round, or 2019-20 student, as her term will end in about an year.
- **Junior Ambassadors to Asahikawa:** Jeff reported
 1. Everything seems to be going on well.
- **Junior Ambassador from Asahikawa:** N/A
- **Special Events:** N/A
- **Japanese Garden:** Steven reported

1. Next weeding day is June 10 (Sun) 12:30pm

- **Long Range Planning:** N/A
- **Publicity:** N/A
- **Old Business:** N/A
- **New Business:** N/A

At 7:06 p.m., Jeff motioned and Sanae seconded to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting: July 9, 2018 at Airport Conference Room

Respectfully submitted, Ken Ota.

