

Bloomington-Normal Japanese Sister Cities Committee Meeting

Place: CIRA Airport Conference Room

Date: February 4, 2019

Members in attendance: Ryan Apple, Steven Campbell, Patrick Clapper, Sanae Ferrier, Jeff Kroesch, Dawn McBride, Ken Ota, Catrina Murphy, Sally Modine, Darren Sampson, Noha Shawki, Akiko Wilson,

Excused Absence: Kyle Silver, Cody Hendricks

Absent without notice:

Guest(s): Becky Tabor

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

- **Meeting Minutes:**
 1. Minutes for January was presented, and it was moved to accept by Ryan seconded by Steven, and it was approved unanimously.
- **Treasurer's Report:** by Dawn
 1. December report: Nothing unusual and Jeff moved to accept receiving report seconded by Ryan and approved unanimously.
- **Chairman's report:** N/A
- **Highschool students to Asahikawa:** Reported by Akiko
 1. Asia is doing fine. Her report was updated on the blog. She will come back on June 16th.
 2. Anthony is attending Kita High School, same as Asia's.
- **Highschool students from Asahikawa:** Reported by Sanae
 1. Chiyu is doing fine. She will leave on May 26th, next day of graduation.
 2. New student's name is Himeno Yamazaki (F).
 3. There is an issue with ISE whose coordinating position has been eliminated. Need to investigate how to proceed further including the function of ASSE.
- **Junior Ambassadors to Asahikawa:** Reported by Jeff
 1. Had informational meeting on 1/20/19 and thanks for those attended from the committee. Received 2 applications and one paid. Plan to have the first formal meeting on March 3rd.
- **Junior Ambassadors from Asahikawa:**
 1. Farewell party is set on March 29th at Davis Lodge. Will check mayors' availability.
 2. Discussed the plan for program during weekdays which is filling up nicely. Will continue to work in the next couple of weeks.
 3. We have 6 host family and one potential. We are still checking other families.
- **Special Events:** N/A
- **Japanese Garden:** N/A
- **Long Range Planning:** N/A

- **Publicity:** N/A
- **Old Business:** N/A
- **New Business:** N/A

At 7:52 p.m., Jeff motioned, and Ryan seconded to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting: March 4, 2019 6:30 pm at Airport Conference Room

Respectfully submitted, Ken Ota.

