

Bloomington-Normal Japanese Sister Cities Committee Meeting

Place: Zoom Meeting

Date: February 1, 2021

Members in attendance: Ryan Apple, Patrick Clapper, Jeff Kroesch, Dawn McBride, Ken Ota, Darren Sampson, Kyle Silver, Chiko Tsukamoto

Excused Absence: Sally Modine

Absent without notice: Laura Tepen, Brenda Guest

Guest(s): Katherine Scheck

Meeting was called to order at 6:33p.m. by Darren Sampson.

- **November, 2020 Meeting Minutes:**
 1. Board reviewed the minutes and Dawn moved to accept November minutes as presented, seconded by Kyle and approved unanimously.
- **Treasurer's Report:** N/A
- **Chairman's report and discussion:** by Darren
 1. NCHS Principal, Trevor Chapman, contacted to check if they should reserve a space for 2021-22 school year. Darren briefly explained current situation and promised him to get back after February board meeting. Darren will formally respond that we cancelled 2021-22 program. But in the meantime, we hope to resume 2022-23 program and NCHS will likely be the school to be placed.
 2. Board meetings will be held every month hereafter to keep contact with members even though our main programs are not being held this year.
 3. Virtual Program collaborating with Asahikawa has been tentatively put on hold for holiday season. Now is a good timing to resume our planning for the program. Google Drive has been prepared so members can submit video or any information. Darren and Jeff will prepare instructions how to proceed. Kyle suggested to open Mural type of communication method which he will study further.
- **New business:** N/A
- **Sub-committees Reports:** N/A

At 7:25 p.m., Jeff moved, and Kyle seconded to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting: March 1, 2021 6:30 pm at Airport Conference Room or Zoom, to be decided.

Respectfully submitted, Ken Ota.