



**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**ZOOM Video Conference**  
**June 2nd, 2020**  
**MINUTES**

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**WELCOME:**

**I. Call to order – President**

**QUORUM ROLL CALL** (12 elected members are currently needed for a quorum.  
 \*Emeritus members do not count for this purpose.)

**PRESENT:**

NAME	Y	N	NAME	Y	N
Goh	x		Park		
Alanis	x		Pryor	x	
Besenfelder		x	Schlaerth		x
Cha	x		Singh		
Choi			Sproul	x	
Dillon			Stone	x	
He			Tamsi	x	
Hefner	x		Verdugo		x
Hernandez	x		* Luttrell		
Hungerford	x		*Park E		
Jhaj	x		*Park Y		
Kooner	x		* Skaer		
Martin	x		* Urner		
McCormick	x				

**II. SECRETARY’S REPORTS**

- A. Minutes: Martin  
 Motion to approve minutes –  
 Correction date of So Cal meeting should be May 23<sup>rd</sup>.  
 Stone/Kooner- approve with amendment.  
 All approved.
- B. Correspondence: Hefner  
 One letter from Henry Hashi, expressing his concern for welfare of sister city board and members. He states very sorry that all of our visits are cancelled but looking toward 2021 anniversary visit.  
 Also wish to extend invitation to Mayor Goh.

**III. TREASURER’S REPORTS:**

No report

**IV. MAYOR’S REPORT:** Mayor Goh

No report

**V. PRESIDENT’S REPORT:** Hefner

It’s a sad time for all. Looking for the positive in all of this. Small things that make a difference to all of us.

## **VI. DISCUSSION**

- A. Sister City chair contact effort to communicate with our sister city leaders to discuss any needs related to their covid19 concerns
- B. Give Big Kern update-Sue Stone  
We raised \$2,350 through Big Kern donations and this money goes directly to our account to be used as we decide.
- C. Sister City festival 2020- notify all members of festival cancelation due to covid19.  
Suggestions?  
Sue – letter from JHefner explaining to our sister cities that we have cancelled all forthcoming trips for this year due to concerns of the pandemic. Sue has artwork and would add that to the letter.  
Would like board committee chairs to contact their respective Sister City to keep communication flowing.  
Jay Tamsi is in contact with Queretaro and how covid19 has affected their city.  
Paul Cha –Has communicated with mayor of Bucheon and what we can do to help.  
Currently putting together items they need and will be sending soon.  
Evan – Bucheon would like monthly news stories from Bakersfield and Bucheon will do the same.

## **VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Amritsar: Kooner  
No international flights. They have been very lucky with minimal virus
- B. Bucheon: Cha  
Last week cases were down but there was a spike up but holding.
- C. Queretaro: Alanis  
Jay will contact them and send over some items, gloves, mask and sanitizers.  
Mexico has had a high rate of 70% infections.
- D. Cixi: Pryor  
Has contacted Edgar twice.  
Regina received and email a concerned party, that we should not have a sister city visit from China due to the pandemic. John spoke with this person, who is from Germany, at length and at the end she thanked him for taking the time to call her and let her know what is actually going on.
- E. Wakayama: Stone/Verdugo  
Sue – Japan is beginning to reopen slowly.
- F. Other:  
Saint-Jean-de-Luz: Hefner  
They were not really affected by covid19. They are just starting school.

## **VIII. OTHER ITEMS**

- A. Facebook & Website: Hungerford  
Website is doing fine and meetings and agenda is posted on the website.  
John- Thanks to all for posting.
- B. SoCal: Stone  
Kathleen Tamsi is active and being the SCI Coordinator and have a relationship with Afghanistan about a program where they work with Rotary clubs. But due to the virus they are raising money to send over to Afghanistan where they purchase food with those dollars.  
So. Cal had board meeting in May and all of their officers were reelected plus new members added. They stated all of their conferences are done virtually. The youth conference is August 13 and our school start August 12th. Sue volunteered to join a southern California youth conference. Next So Cal mtg is Saturday July 11<sup>th</sup>.
- C. Youth Advisory: Sproul  
No further information

## **IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **X. NEXT MEETING**

September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Pryor /Hungerford – motion to adjourn. all approved

Respectfully Submitted,

Carole Martin  
Board Secretary  
June 2020