



MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
City Hall North
January 2, 2024
6:00 pm
In-person & Zoom Meeting
MINUTES

WELCOME:

I. Call to order – Regina Pryor, President

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

NAME	Y	N	NAME	Y	N
Goh	X		McCormick	X	
Andrews		X	Park		X
Besenfelder	X		Pryor	X	
Cha	X		Ramos		X
Choi	Z		Schlaerth		X
delToro-Diaz		X	Singh		X
Dillon	X		Sproul	X	
Fleisher	X		Stone	X	
He	Z		Tamsi		X
Hernandez	Z		Verdugo	X	
Hungerford	Z		*Park E		X
Jhaj	Z		*Park Y		X
Kooner		X			

II. SECRETARY’S REPORTS

- A. Minutes: Fleisher Motion: Stone Second: Sproul. Motion passed.
- B. Correspondence: Pryor. New Year’s card from China and Chinese Consulate in LA and Bucheon.

III. TREASURER’S REPORTS: Schlaerth - No Report

IV. MAYOR’S REPORT: Mayor Goh

V. PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Pryor

- A. DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS: Rupinder Jhaj 12/18
- B. JANUARY BIRTHDAYS: Paul Cha & Tomas del Toro-Diaz 1/8
- C. Newsletter will feature each Sister City Committee – January - Bucheon
 February – Amritsar, May – Queretaro
- D. Happy New Year cards will be emailed to each Sister City.
- E. Wonderful Sister City Holiday Party
- F. Bakersfield Christmas Parade report

VI. DISCUSSION

- A. Peace Pole in Sister City Gardens Update. Progress has been made, pole has been secured, pending engraving.
- B. Sister City Publicity Report Update – No update
- C. Annual Meeting March 5 – Location ideas – possible change of date to 3/12. Date changed to 3/12.
- D. Sister City Festival with Music in the Spring – committee to meet tonight.
- E. Possible adult trip for our Sister City Members? – International trip, daytrips to cultural events around the state?

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Amritsar: Kooner. – Dillon reported a potential trip during Diwali this year? Had some communication with embassy.
- B. Bucheon: Cha - Bucheon delegation possibly coming by for a few days in March. Bucheon Youth will be here Jan 11-18th.
- C. Queretaro: Ramos/Tamsi. Working to get that started back up.
- D. Cixi: Pryor – No Report
- E. Wakayama: Stone/Verdugo. Youth trip in June is a go. Hajimari project with US-Japan Sister City organization. Fall 2025 US-Japan Sister City Summit – potential adult trip.
- F. Other:
 - Saint-Jean-de-Luz: Andrews/Pryor. Unable to go during spring break, but potentially shifting dates to summer.

VIII. OTHER ITEMS

- A. Facebook & Website: Hungerford. Website fee due Feb 20th.
- B. SoCal: Stone. No news.
- C. Youth Advisory: Sproul. January Youth trip is good to go, shared itinerary. Due to school system conflicts, potentially alternating each year between youth trip there in July and them coming to us in July?

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

X. NEXT MEETING

- A. Next meeting – February 6, 2024, at City Hall North at 6:00 PM
- FUTURE MEETINGS: 3/12 (Annual Dinner), 4/2, 5/7, 6/4

- ## **XI. ADJOURNMENT**
- Motion: Fleisher. Second: Dillon. Motion passed and meeting adjourned at 7:09.