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CITY OF SHEBOYGANMAYOR'S INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEETHursday, February 6, 2020

Chairperson Rich Miesfeld called the meeting to order at 5: 15 pm in Conference Room 106 at City Hall (828 Center Avenue, Sheboygan) and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members present: Ruth Gerstner, James Graf, Yolanda Graf, Charlene Hinze, Mark Hinze, Carolyn Miesfeld, Rich Miesfeld, Grazia Perrella, Cole Phillips, Anna Schoen, Patrick Siebold, Henry Schoen, Sarah Schwefel, Alderperson Ryan Sorenson, and Julie Vandersteen.

Others present: Vicky Schneider, Mary Koczan, and Mike Vandersteen.

Members excused: Tom Michel and Trent Rammer.

Correspondence:

Scott Neiderjohn will be presenting info about his recent Esslingen trip to an internal group on Tuesday, February 18 at 1: 30 pm at Lakeland University. Neither Mike, Julie, Sarah, nor Rich are available to attend the committee was asked if anyone would be able to attend. Ryan Sorenson said he would likely be able to attend, Sarah will follow up with him to give him the details.

Minutes: Motion to approve minutes of January 2, 2020 meeting; motion passes.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Discuss travel dates for our next trip to Esslingen. Sarah handed out copies of the poll results that came back from MIC members to rank their choices to vote on these options in 2021. The most popular response was for mid-May. Julie will lead a sub-committee of Carolyn, Yo, Ruth, and Char to set travel dates. Sarah will contact Katrin and let her know that we are looking at the month of May and see if there are dates that they prefer. Discuss idea for 3 -d printed cranes project Cole Phillips. Cole has thought of a possible fundraising

project to sell 3 -d printed cranes, he brought numerous sized examples of 3 -d printed cranes that he s made. He has a friend in Japan that he s been communicating with and she is advising him on Japanese culture and how to best connect with people in Tsubame. He mentioned that he can print Sheboygan s logo on one wing and Tsubame s logo on the other wing. He also brought an origami swallow (swallow is part of Tsubame s logo and the kanji for Tsubame means swallow), he doesn t currently have a 3 -d file of a swallow but he can make one this would be very unique. Henry suggested doing a table at the farmer s market, Rich suggested checking with Bookworm Gardens because it could tie-in to their Japanese garden, Henry suggested the People To People brat fry on March

8. Cole also brought examples of lithographs that he made. The consensus of the group is to do a test market of selling 30 of them at the People To People brat fry. Discuss relationship with Tsubame Sister City. Mike mentioned that he has an archive file of about 70 articles from the Sheboygan Press, he will share that will the group. Grazia gave a status update of the video, Scott and Cole will be working on editing tomorrow. Grazia sent an email to the MIC members on December 30 that January 8 has been set for the filming our video for Tsubame. It will take place from 9: 30 am to 11: 30 am in the Council Chambers.

UPCOMING MEETING DATE: March 5, 2020.

Adjourned at 6: 05 pm.