

Tinley Park Sister Cities Commission Meeting Minutes October 15, 2014

Members Present-

Acting Chair: Randal Tietz; Secretary: Roxane DeVos Tyssen; Commissioners: Marilyn Bill, Joanne Dykhuizen, Lucas Hawley, Peg Petrovich and Carol Tietz; Guest: Wally Bill

Members Not Present-

Commissioner: Diane Przybylski

Trustee Liaison: T. J. Grady

Chairman Randal Tietz called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

The Commission began to assemble the gift bags for the visiting German's from Büdingen. Nineteen total bags were put together and contained donated items as well as two items that the Commission paid for. As this event commemorated the 25th Anniversary, a fleece scarf and a fleece travel blanket were embroidered with an inscription notating this. Each German visiting received one as did the host family.

Lucas Hawley attended the Student pizza party at Parmsean's at the 80th Avenue Train Station to represent the Commission.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 8:15 p.m. once the bags were assembled and boxed for distribution upon their arrival.

Motion to approve agenda for tonight's meeting: Commissioner Bell; Second, Commissioner C. Tietz.

Minutes of the previous meeting were not read at this meeting.

Acting Chair Report

- Saturday, October 11th the students were picked up from the airport to be brought to Andrew High School. There were some initial problems with the mode of transportation but those were resolved in time to pick up the visiting students on time.
- The students and their host families were invited to attend the formal reception on October 24th at the Kallsen Center with the Mayor of Büdingen and other distinguished guests.
- When the Büdingen guests arrive into Tinley Park they will meet their host families on October 20th when they arrive at Village Hall. Light refreshments will be provided for them before they head out to their respective lodgings.
- The reception on October 24th: The room opens at 6:00 p.m., Commissioners are expected to be there then to help with any set up and greeting the guest when they begin to arrive at 6:30 p.m. The program begins at 7:00 p.m. promptly.
- Events have been scheduled out. The dinner at Tommy Guns was discussed as a small bus will need to be rented. This cost is added into the price that each attendee (German guest, host or Commissioner) will be paying on their own.
- October 29th there is an outing at Hailstorm Brewery in town. Hailstorm created a special label for one of their seasonal brews to commemorate the Anniversary event.

- There are discussions of a Tinley to Büdingen exchange in 2015. Each participant will be responsible for the costs of getting there and spending money once in Germany. The SCC will work with the SCC in Büdingen to establish host families there for the visit.

New Business

- No new business.

Old Business

- None

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned 9:26 p.m.

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting – November 19, 2014