SISTER CITY ADVISORY BOARD
MOTION SUMMARY
April 9, 2019

ITEM 1. ROLL CALL

The Sister City Advisory Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Guebert at 6:03 p.m.

Members Present: Julie Horvath, Collen Rush, Julie Means, and Chairman Rand Guebert

Members Absent: Rita Selle Grider, Darrell Albon, and Mayor Carolyn Riggle

Motion to Excuse: Vice-Chairwoman Rush motioned to excuse Ms. Selle-Grider, Mr. Albon and Mayor Riggle, seconded by Ms. Horvath. Motion approved by a 4-0 vote.

ITEM 2. APPROVAL of the Motion Summary of the Sister City Advisory Board meeting held on January 8, 2019, as recorded and transcribed.

Motion: Vice-Chairwoman Rush moved to approve the Motion Summary of the Sister City Advisory Board meeting held on January 8, 2019, as recorded and transcribed, seconded by Ms. Horvath. Motion approved by a 4-0 vote.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no public present.

ITEM 4. UPDATE on Lahardane

Vice-Chairwoman Rush provided information on a recent trip that was taken to Lahardane and other parts of Ireland by the gymnastic team of Buckeye Valley and Delaware City Schools. There was 17 students and chaperones that went on the trip during their scheduled spring break. A trip is planned for June in which there will be various athletes from Hayes High School visiting Lahardane for a sports exchange. Also being scheduled is a potential adult only trip for October 2019. A discussion was held on having residents from Lahardane come in the future to visit the City of Delaware. It was discussed that the current Brexit issue that the country is facing makes it difficult for residents of Lahardane to make travel plans at this time. Chairman Guebert discussed the benefits to the citizens of Delaware to provide them with opportunities to travel abroad. Chairman Guebert requested that students from the trips come to the July meeting to share their experiences.

Vice-Chairman Rush provided information on citizens that are interested in building a relationship with Lahardane.

ITEM 5. UPDATE on Sakata

The Clerk, Elaine McCloskey, provided an update regarding the upcoming student art exchange with the City of Delaware and Sakata. It was discussed that she had spoken with an art teacher at Hayes High School and that they would be providing 12 pieces of art to contribute. Ms. Horvath discussed that she had been communicating with Superintendent Paul Craft on the project and that she was waiting for an update to see what schools will be participating and how many pieces of artwork will be provided from each. Chairman Guebert recommended reaching out to Dempsey Middle School to determine their involvement in the exchange as Dempsey is the start of the Sister City Relationship.

Chairman Guebert provided information on the plans for the Ken Domon art exhibit. He discussed that this exhibit is a partnership with Dublin Arts Council, Ohio Wesleyan University, and Columbus Museum of Arts. The exhibit is expected to take place in 2021 and display approx. 100 photographs. He discussed the projected cost for shipping and insurance and potential sponsors for the project.

ITEM 6. UPDATE on Baumholder

Chairman Guebert discussed the plans for the Ohio Wesleyan Soccer Team to visit Baumholder in 2020. He met with Ohio Wesleyan Soccer Coach, Dr. Jay Martin regarding the relationship with Baumholder. Dr. Martin does not have any plans to retire at this time, but acknowledged that he successor may or may not continue the exchange for soccer with Baumholder. Chairman Guebert informed the Board that they discussed the benefits of the exchange relationship.

Chairman Guebert also discussed that he met with the ROTC Director for Delaware County and that he would like for future opportunities to have his ROTC students visit the base at Baumholder. Chairman Guebert will be visiting Baumholder in June and will try to discuss with officials there this interest. Ms. Horvath recommended that Chairman Guebert look into the Department of Defense Schools in the area for a potential exchange.

ITEM 7. DISCUSSION of transition to 501c-3 status

Chairman Guebert discussed having Tim Sword and Bonnie Quist attend the July meeting. Bonnie Quist was to attend this meeting, but Chairman Guebert had recommended she attend a meeting when there would be more board participation. Chairman Guebert discussed the benefits to becoming a 501c-3. The Board discussed the benefits of tax breaks for potential sponsors for the Ken

Domon exhibit. Chairman Guebert voiced the need to keep the City of Delaware actively involved if the board becomes a 501c-3.

ITEM 8. MEMBER COMMENTS

Chairman Guebert informed the Board that Darrell Albon will be hosting a lunch in April at Ohio Wesleyan University to help promote and find interest for support group for Baumholder, Sakata, and Lahardane.

Chairman Guebert provided information on the Paganini's II Cannone Violin that will be played by the Columbus Symphony on May 15. This event is being sponsored by Greater Columbus Sister Cities.

Vice-Chairman Rush provided a statement of disclosure to the Board that she is part owner of Irish Group Travels.

ITEM 10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: July 9, 2019

ITEM 11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Ms. Horvath moved to adjourn the Sister City Advisory Board Meeting, seconded by Vice-Chairwoman Rush. The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Rand Guebert, Chairman

Elaine McCloskey, Clerk