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VILLAGE OF HANOVER PARK SISTER CITIES COMMITTEE Valparaiso Sub Committee Meeting

Hanover Park Municipal Complex – Room 123
2121 Lake Street - Hanover Park, IL 60133
Tuesday, March 13, 2018
7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL:

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Sister Cities Committee Member Arnulfo Flores who volunteered to chair the meeting. Guest Jessica Ramirez was welcomed to the meeting.

PRESENT: Committee Arnulfo Flores, Gustavo Pineda and Maria Pineda
Members:

ABSENT: Committee Trustee Herb Porter
Members:

ALSO PRESENT: Staff Liaison Katherine Perez
Guest Jessica Ramirez

2. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

Motion by Maria to accept agenda. Second by Gustavo. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

3. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS:

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Maria to approve minutes of December 18, 2017 meeting. Second by Gustavo. Voice vote: all ayes. No discussion. Motion carried.

5. ACTION ITEMS

5-a. Determine possible interest / level of participation at Bartlett's Global Art Festival (June 24 & 25, 2018) – Immediate past Sister Cities Committee Chair Linda McCance Packham had been involved in the planning of the inaugural 2017 Bartlett Global Arts Festival, and she hosted a Sister Cities table during that event. In January 2018, Linda passed along promotional and planning information to Village administration, suggesting that consideration be given to possible participation by the Village of

Hanover Park. Participants at the Bartlett Global Arts Festival are required to complete a registration form, pay the booth fee, and work at the booth/table during the event which would include the daily set-up and tear-down both days. Members of the Valparaiso Sub Committee have no goods or wares to sell, and Arnulfo advised that Omar hasn't been in recent contact with him. Members present at the Valparaiso Sub Committee meeting do not yet know their schedules for June and, therefore, couldn't commit to being able to volunteer to host a booth/table. Guest Jessica Ramirez suggested that if the Valparaiso Sub Committee was to participate, there are various ways to acquire goods to sell, such as collecting smaller items over time that can be hand-carried when committee members and their families/friends travel to and from Valparaiso. This topic will be discussed again at the next Committee of the Whole meeting in April.

- 5-b. Illinois Sister Cities Conference, Springfield, April 6 & 7, 2018 & Attendee Bonus (SCI Measures That Matter analytical tool) – Registration forms have been received from Marie Pineda and Gustavo Pineda, and Trustee Liaison Kemper has confirmed that he and Mrs. Kemper also plan to attend the conference. The Village will pay only the registration fee for those Sister Cities Committee members attending the conference; and each committee members will be responsible for all other expense related to their attendance, including transportation, meals, lodging and incidentals.
- 5-c. Kids at Hope, Park District, April 21, 2018 – The Sister Cities Committee will have a table at the Kids at Hope Resource Fair. Committee members present said they would check their calendars and let Katherine know if they would be available to assist in hosting the Sister Cities table. Thus far, committee members Trustee Porter and Mary Harrison have volunteered. Katherine will print and assemble a supply of brochures and Hi-Lighter article reprints for display and distribution at the resource fair.

6. TOWNHALL SESSION:

Guest Jessica Ramirez introduced herself to Arnulfo, Maria and Gustavo, advising that she was from Valparaiso and had lived across the street from the Ortega School. There was a further exchange of information between Jessica and the Valparaiso Sub Committee members.

7. OLD BUSINESS (NON-ACTION ITEMS):

- 7-a. Status of shipment of athletic equipment to Jesus Ortega Gonzalez School – Arnulfo advised that the used athletic equipment hasn't been transported and that he is awaiting the letter from the little league organization stating that the used equipment is a donation. Once the letter is in hand, Arnulfo will forward it to Jose Juan Estrada who had indicated previously his willingness to intercede and provide guidance on getting the donated athletic equipment transported to Valparaiso.
- 7-b. Pen pal letters – Maria commented that Trustee Porter has been in touch with the principal at Laurel Hill School regarding the penpal program. The last batch of letters

were sent to Laurel Hill School from the students in Valparaiso, so it's now Laurel Hills' turn to respond and send letters. In the past, Arnulfo has graciously arranged for the letters to be hand-carried back and forth between the schools in Valparaiso and Hanover Park, but there is also some money in the Sister Cities Committee budget that can be used to mail the letters if more timely and practical.

8. NEW BUSINESS (NON-ACTION ITEMS):

8-a. Recap of recent activities – Nothing to report.

8-b. Upcoming events - Kids at Hope Resource Fair and Illinois State Conference – See above.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Maria to adjourn at 8:19 p.m. Second by Gustavo. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes recorded and transcribed by:

Katherine Perez, Staff Liaison

Arnulfo Flores
Acting Chair for Meeting of March 13, 2018
Member, Hanover Park Sister Cities Committee