

Corvallis – Uzhhorod Sister City Association  
Board Meeting Minutes  
March 13, 2013

Attendance: See Attached Appendix

President Ken Trueba called the meeting to order at 5:45.

#### Guest

A guest, Hannah Bittner, introduced herself to the Board (Attached). She is an OSU student who has traveled to Ukraine three times. She is interested in children and child development; especially in Ukraine. She is also interested in exploring the possibility of joining the CUSCA Board. The Board members present introduced themselves to Hannah.

#### Flower Basket Sale

During his introduction, flower basket sale Chair Bob Stebbins described the process and details of the flower sale. Bob distributed photos of the flowers and order forms (Attached). The next step is to secure orders for flower baskets. Baskets will also be sold on Sunday, May 5 at the Spring Garden and Flower Sale at Central Park. Peggy and Evan Peirson, Mark Rampton, and Jack Peterson have volunteered to help transfer flower baskets from the nursery to Bob's house.

#### Minutes

The Board meeting minutes from February 7<sup>th</sup> were discussed (Attached). Carla Francis moved and Peggy Giles seconded that the minutes be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Financial Report

Ken displayed the Financial Report on behalf of Treasurer Shelly Hunt (Attached). A brief discussion took place. Questions will wait until Shelly is present.

#### Spring Exchange Opportunity

Alice Rampton led a discussion about a possible exchange that would take place in the Spring and involve two Ukrainian teachers (Attached). Alice described the goals of the exchange and some of the proposed activities including visits to Corvallis school classes. Alice made a request for \$2,000 to support the exchange. Alice discussed the draft budget. Peggy Peirson moved to contribute \$2,000 plus up to \$500 to cover possible travel insurance premiums including insurance for a musical instrument. Carla Francis second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Medical Exchange

Mark Rampton proposed an exchange that would result in Dr. Paul Kolesnyk visiting OHSU in Portland for a week and Corvallis for a week. Dr. Kolesnyk is the President of the Uzhhorod Sister City Association. Peggy Peirson moved that Corvallis Sister City Association support the exchange as proposed with a \$1,000 contribution. The motion was seconded by Bev Smith. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Animal Welfare Evaluation in Uzhhorod

Peggy Giles led a discussion about a proposal to support a project designed to improve the health status of dogs in Uzhhorod (Attached). The proposal is to send four people from Corvallis to Uzhhorod to assess the current dog health status and the humane treatment of dogs there.

The discussion was tabled until more information is available from Vita and a representative of the group that might travel to Uzhhorod to do the evaluation.

#### Sister Cities Week Committee Report

Lynne Hindman gave a report from the Sister Cities Week Committee (attached). The Bogrash Dinner is the highlight event that will be held at the Old World Deli on May 5th. Lynn distributed Bogrash in dinner tickets to Board members willing to presell tickets. Contact Lynn if you want to sell Dinner tickets advance. Ticket sales at the door is not anticipated. She described the plans for dinner preparation including the menu. She also discussed plans for entertainment of art, music, and dance. The Footwise window setup is April 30th, 3 – 6pm. Take down of the window is May 13th from 3 – 6 PM. Some proposals were made about what to put in the display window. Bev Smith volunteered to help with setup on April 30<sup>th</sup>

The meeting adjourned at 7:45.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 11 at 5:30.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marc Vomocil  
Assistant Secretary

#### Future Meeting Dates

April 11

May 2

June 13

June 20

Footwise Display April 30 – May 13

Sister City Week May 4 - 11

ATTENDANCE  
CUSCA Board Meeting  
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Marc Vomocil	
Ken Trueba	
Martin Vartanov	
Bob Stebbins	Flower Basket
Beverly Smith	
Peggy Giles	
Lynne Hindman	
Mark Rampton	Associate
Alice Rampton	Associate
Hannah Bittner	Guest
Carla Francis	
Peggy Peirson	
Marion McNamara	Guest
Gary Meddaugh	