Advisory Commission on International Relationships (ACIR)

Minutes 2010

Please note: All minutes prior to September 28, 2010, are available as hard copies in the City of Great Falls Fiscal Services Department, Room 104, Civic Center, 2 Park Drive South, Great Falls.

Minutes for Nov 23, 2010 ACIR meeting

Members present: Carol, Cyndi, Pam, Anders, Deborah, Kay, and Robin Guests: Bertha Brod and Cleve Loney

Introduction of ACIR members and guests

Meeting called to order at 7:07 PM

Minutes: Minutes from Oct meeting were presented— the following corrections were made: spelling of Bertha's last name to Brod and Janet's last name to McLeod; and correct balance of our account to \$6584.70— Kay made motion to accept, Cyndi seconded, motion carried to accept minutes

Financial report— Cyndi stated balance is \$6582.56 — Robin made motion to accept current report, Kay seconded, motion carried.

Open Meeting Discussion— Kelly Audet's concern about not receiving agenda early so she could publish it was addressed—Carol said she had been unaware of this since we had not done it in the past but she will begin sending agenda for future meetings

Open World Hosting— Itinerary was reviewd so all duties are clear—need to get itineraries to hosts and get a contact list with phone numbers of hosts and Board members in the event we need to communicate with others— everything seems to be in place, with the media kit to be presented next week

Website — Anders said he put an update on the site re the hosting—will put photos on after the hosting

Lethbridge Twinning group Robin shared email she received from Harold Pereverseff re Harold being in Great Falls over the weekend and asking to have a coffee together— he has not yet said when he is available, but Robin will put out email to those interested in getting together— Kay, Cyndi, Carol, and Robin said they could meet with him

Next meeting January 25, 2011 at the Civic Center

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 Respectfully submitted, Robin Baker

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Minutes for Oct 26, 2010 ACIR meeting

Members present: Carol, Cyndi, Christina, Natalia, Anders, and Robin Sandy volunteer Guests: Janet McCloud, appointee to ACIR and Bertha Brode, Cyndi's mother who has volunteered to help with hosting

Introduction of ACIR members and guests

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM

Minutes: Minutes from Sept meeting were presented— Christina made motion to accept, Anders seconded, minutes accepted

Financial report— Cyndi stated balance is \$7012.00 — she reported that she spoke with Kelly re charges to account and was told that the City charged ACIR \$6.00 a month for processing checks and they had not been charging this so \$1478 was the amount of back charges assessed— discussion ensued that ACIR has only had monies since we started doing hostings so this amount did not seem to be justified— will continue to look into these fees— Robin made motion to accept current report, Christina seconded, motion carried.

Open Meeting Discussion— Kelly Audet's concern about having meetings outside of posted schedule was addressed- it was clarified that the meeting in question was an Ad Hoc planning meeting for the upcoming Open World hosting and not a commission meeting

Open World Hosting— Sandy presented the home hostings pairings, as well as a preliminary itinerary— will continue to make adjustments to itinerary as plans develop

Next meeting November 23, 2010 at the Civic Center

Meeting adjourned at 8:48

Respectfully submitted, Robin Baker

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Minutes for Sept 28, 2010 ACIR meeting

Members present: Coral, Carol, Kay, Deborah, Cyndi, and Robin Sandy volunteer

Prior to meeting being called to order, Sandy gave an overview of the Open World program and hostings

Meeting called to order at 8:05

Minutes: Minutes from March meeting were presented—Robin made motion to accept, Kay seconded, minutes accepted—May minutes were presented—Coral made motion to accept, Kay seconded, minutes accepted

Financial report—Sandy had the financial report—stated balance is \$7012.68 — Kay made motion to nominate Cyndi as new Treasurer — Robin seconded—motion carried — Sandy reported that our account showed charges from the City but was unclear what they were—Cyndi will follow up with the City Manager to clarify these charges

Robin presented two receipts to be paid 1) \$50 for name badges and 2) \$75 for new banner Kay made motion to present these to be paid, Coral seconded—motion carried

Open World Hosting— Carol will email Maureen Johnson to establish contact—will meet on Tuesday, 10/12 at 5:30 PM at Rikki's to start planning for the hosting—please plan to attend if you are able

Website — there were 41 hits on website in the period of Aug 20- Sept 19

Next meeting October 26 at 7:00 at Civic Center

Meeting adjourned at 8:45

Respectfully submitted, Robin Baker

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