

ACIR Meeting Minutes 4-22-14

Members Present: Charity, Kathryn, Sandra, Dean, Robin

Approval of March meeting minutes: approved

Financial Report: Kay not present to give report, but no changes

- Approval for spaghetti dinner-approved by group
- pre Ice Breaker dinner with Harold- at Robin's place
 - 1518 11th Ave. South
 - 6:00 p.m.
 - bring wine or beverage of choice

Old Business

- Update on new speakers
 - not much help from the COT
 - Eva McDunn- says we can use the library's room to host speakers, free of charge, unless we charge entry fee
 - 2 months in advance to book room
 - the library has an archive of past international speakers we could use for reference
 - if going to be a library sponsored event,
 - maybe go the route of the TEDx speakers with a video event followed by live discussion- maybe a good start
 - Jude is a good contact person at the library, she does lots of the other events at the library
 - Saif Al Sageh, charity's contact who does international themed poetry
 - Kathryn will move forward trying to partner with Jude at the library to set up the speaker series
 - Pamphlet update
 - no update, waiting on more photos
 - Group photo update
 - going to be Robin's house before the spaghetti dinner on Saturday, April 26th

New Business

- International Trivia
 - Evan Bowser, owner of Bowser's Brewery said we could have a trivia night some night
 - plan to take group trip to trivia night for ideas
- World Quest
 - no update
- Sister City Report
 - progress on designation
 - some delays in having the proposal be presented to Lethridge City Council- will likely receive update from Harold this weekend
 - Lethbridge twinning society
 - how to move forward and whether to form 503(c)
 - maybe easier if City will take it on
 - further discussion at future meetings, some
- Hosting in October
 - October 3-11, 2015
 - 5 visitors, and the translator theme: accountable governance on environmental issues

- ideas: mining, water, oil and gas production, wind, hydroelectric
- also good to get perspective of citizens who are involved with environmental protection issues
- asking for help from cities for ideas
- developing travel itinerary
- 32 hours of instruction, workshop, networking- strictly environmental
- additional hours for networking on cultural issues
- Group should come up with ideas for itinerary
- Charity may be able to get her church's van to use for part of the trip
- Group Approval of October Hosting: passed
- Citizenship Ceremony Schedule
 - no update
 - Dean will contact clerk for next ceremony date

Public Comment

-no comment

Meeting Adjourned