

ACIR Meeting Minutes 12-16-14

Members present: Charity, Kathryn, Michael, Sandra, Rus Sholdeshev, Cathy, Liz, Dean

Financial update: no financial update

Old Business

- international speaker series
 - last event on December 6- update from Kathryn
 - Daria Mari
 - really good event
 - amen orseth- set for january 3th, at 4:30 in the basement of the city library
 - impressive credentials
 - might need a projector for next event- charity could provide
 - Liz met someone who was interested in international speaker series
 - will provide email address to kathryn to contact
 - Now scheduled through May
 - could promote to Friendship Force for more people who may be interested in attending
 - plan to get a press release and facebook invite
 - Liz says soccer coach at UGF might be a good contact for international speakers
 - Cathy says snow bowl employees might be good contact for international speakers
- business cards and marketing materials
 - update from charity
 - no cards yet, will have them in about a week
- city training recap
 - Cathy attended-update
 - special rules on public board meetings
 - required compliance for public notice of next meeting
 - rules for public comment and Montana constitution
 - issues about closed meeting, example was texting during meeting to other members- needs to open and public
 - public participation- limit to only 5 minutes for contentious comments
 - audio recordings
 - will provide copies of documents to other members

New Business

- annual city review
 - status report from Mayor Winters
 - charity will provide status report at next city commission work session
 - who we are, what we do, future goals
 - asks if we want to continue advisory relationship with the city-
 - vote to continue current relationship with the city:

- sub-committee formation- kathryn

- international speaker subcommittee- Liz and Cathy want to be on it
- sub-committee to set up internationally themed food events- maybe quarterly, or monthly--
- or do receptions to make it easier
- maybe do some outreach to international exchange students at the college
- Kathryn has learned of a lot of local people with international backgrounds who seem interested in local food events
- also outreach to volunteers to help who aren't necessarily ACIR members
- Plan for next sub-committee meeting: Kathryn will contact everyone about time and place- plan for mid january
- could reach out to Korean language churches-- they do potlucks often
- could plan for international potluck for members
- location for potlucks to be discussed at sub-committee meeting

Public Comment
-none

Meeting adjourned