

December Sister City Meeting Minutes December 14, 2022

City Hall, Small Conference Room

PRESENT: Eileen Bergeson, Steve Moon, Erin Harnish, Kandy Lewis

(phone) Frances Hearn

Call to Order, Roll Call Minutes approved by motion (Kandy) passed unanimously

School Gardens Miso soup project: Frances stated that all went very well and the students enjoyed it. She did an outstanding report that is attached. The students had lots of questions. It was a good experience and the students were proud of their accomplishments.

Squirrel Bridge: Eileen reported that it was coming along and it was being put together in squares and it looks beautiful. She is hoping for a date of when the Wako citizens are going to visit so we can get the bridge installed and have a dedication for the bridge. We are hoping to get some publicity on the bridge so others in the community.

Discussion was also held concerning doing a Welcome Banquet (for the Wako Citizens) at the Rose Center as part of the Centennial Celebration. It was also suggested that we consider a plaque at ground level by the bridge and also do a plaque to send back with the Wako Citizens.

Nippon Dynowave: No date has been set up at this time, possibly mid January or February. We have not heard back from Brian Woods who attended our last meeting.

We need to get Wako Visitation dates on our calendars.

Discussion concerning getting more publicity to the general public so they know what the Sister City is for Longview and what we do. It would help with fund raising for the "Sister City" Suggested to do Fund Raising in October. Lots of ideas for drawing people to the booth at Squirrel Feast and Japanese Anime theme as well as brochures about Sister City going to the high schools.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:56 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Kandy Lewis