

October 5, 2017 Grenoble Committee Minutes

Attendees: Claude Bobin, Janine Bobin, Rick Gerrard, Paula West, Rita Marko, Stephanie Gee, Julie Cayvela, Valerie Berthelot, Avary Marin, Kaley Danks

Item 1: Meeting called to order by Claude Bobin at 5:03 PM

Item 2: Stephanie Gee introduces herself. (5:04)

Item 3: Paula West speaks to committee to bid farewell as she retires. Rita Marko, who will take her position, introduces herself. (5:06)

Item 4: Janine motions to approve September 7th 2017 minutes, second by Kaley Danks, approved unanimously. (5:12)

Item 5: \$2774.71 in account as of August 31st, 2017. (5:15)

Item 6: Janine asks Rick Gerrard questions regarding Phoenix Sister Cities' involvement in the Arizona State Fair, to take place Saturday October 21st. Each committee is set to be in charge of their own booth and will be able to do a gift basket raffle drawing (targeted towards adults). The possibility of a "passport" system was discussed, but the design work is unable to be found and there is not enough in the budget for the purchase. Janine has access to a template for passports that can be used in future years. A donation of passports may alleviate the costs, where the logo of Phoenix Sister Cities is on the front of the passport and the printing company name placed on the back (to be discussed for next year's event).

Rick, Janine, and Claude discuss Beaujolais Nouveau on Saturday, November 18th. Total Wine has been asked to donate wine for this event. There will be French catering, costing \$13 per person. Music, parking, location, and programs are expected to be provided for free, and hopefully wine as well. There will be a photographer at the event. There will be a silent auction and raffle basket. Janine asks to pass an increase in price for tickets from \$35 to \$40 for members and \$45 at the door (for members or non-members). The budget will need to be presented at October 17th meeting. Promotion is needed on FaceBook and Phoenix Sister Cities' website.

Vision of Grenoble and Arizona (to take place at the Shemer Center, April/May 2017), the mural exchange between Grenoble and Phoenix, and the Disabled Artist's Competition are briefly discussed. Food and beverage will be offered at the competition (November 3rd).

(5:18)

Item 7: Jeremy absent, Claude reports on Cristian Garcia internship summer 2017 in Grenoble and more opportunity to work with Alpexpo in Grenoble in 2018. Rick is looking for an intern at a water bottle company in Phoenix and discusses the idea of having an intern come from Grenoble. A more extensive look into the Visa process is required. Claude discusses the expansion of the student exchange between Central High School and a high school in Grenoble into other high schools in Arizona. (5:38)

Item 8: Nothing to report regarding the Disability Program (5:51)

Item 9: Possible addition of Grenoble Committee events posted on Phoenix Sister Cities' social media pages. Beaujolais Nouveau will be promoted on Facebook. (5:52)

Item 10: Discussed previously in Meeting Item 6.

Item 11: Annual Canadian Thanksgiving will be held October 9th at the Armadillo Grill. The 5K is November 4th. Each committee has been asked to provide ten individuals who will register. Beaujolais Nouveau will be held November 18th. (5:55)

Item 12: No discussion.

Item 13: Prospective members Julie and Valerie introduce themselves. Youth Ambassadors Avary and Kaley provide a brief presentation/discussion of their time abroad. Claude adjourns the meeting at 6:14 PM.