

Grenoble Committee Meeting Minutes 5/3/18

Attendees: Lucretia Torva, Janine Bobin, Jessica Romero, Memo Romero, Kaley Danks, David Elsbecker, Emma Elsbecker, Claude Bobin, Rick Gerrard

Excused: Jeremy Boillot

Item 1: Call to Order

Call to Order by Chair Claude Bobin at 5:11 pm.

Item 2: Welcome and Introduction of New Guests and Members

New guest Memo Romero, father of Youth Ambassador Jessica Romero, is introduced.

Item 3: Approval of 4/5/18 Meeting Minutes

Janine Bobin motions to approve meeting minutes from 4/5/18, with second by Lucretia Torva. Unanimous approval by the committee.

Item 4: Financial Report

\$3,884.18 in Funds Available as of 3/31/18.

Item 5: Culture and Arts Events

- The YAEP cultural orientation for new ambassadors, held on Sunday, April 15th, was very informative.
- The Mural Artist Exchange is proceeding. Lucretia Torva will be in Grenoble for the month of June working on the mural. The City of Grenoble is providing local transportation, but lodging is still in question.
- The Wine Tasting and French Film Fundraiser at the Filmbar was a success, with a change in profit of two dollars per one attendant due to the licensing fee for the movie. 41 attendants came, which provided great advertising for Phoenix Sister Cities.
- The Shemer Art Exhibit will continue through May, and has been going very well thanks to Lucretia Torva. The Committee has been given permission to take photographs to be sold for auction at the next Beaujolais Nouveau.
 - The committee approves to reimburse Lucretia Torva for up to \$50 for her expenses for this event, with motion to approve by Janine Bobin and second by David Elsbecker. Unanimous approval by the committee.

Item 6: Economic Development and Internship Program

- Claude Bobin attended a meeting to discuss foreign startups and efforts to find a model in welcoming these startups. As a first meeting, progress is still at the exploration stage.
- No intern has been officially announced for the Niagara Bottling internship. The interview with the hopeful intern went well, but small roadblocks are presenting delays in any announcement.

Item 7: French Immersion Program

No changes or updates have been made in the AZ Preparatory Academy introductory French program.

Item 8: Disability Program

Lucretia Torva has been asked by Rick Gerrard to promote the Artists with Disabilities program during her stay in Grenoble while she works on her mural.

Item 9: Social Media Needs

Lucretia Torva will write an article to put on the PSC website to promote the Mural Exchange. Rick Gerrard will put up an advertisement on the Phoenix Sister Cities website for the Filmbar event by the 15th of May, as well as take down the advertisement for the Shemer Art Exhibit by the May 24th.

Item 10: Nomination of Committee Chair for FY 18-19

Claude Bobin will remain Committee Chair for FY 18-19. Memo Romero motions to approve with second by Lucretia Torva, whole committee votes in favor.

Item 11: Election of Committee Vice Chair, Secretary for FY 18-19

Janine Bobin will remain Committee Vice Chair for FY 18-19. David Elsbecker motions to approve with second by Memo Romero, committee votes yes unanimously. Kaley Danks will be the Secretary for FY 18-19, as Memo Romero motions to approve with second by David Elsbecker, all in favor.

Item 12: Upcoming Events

- The Chengdu Committee is hosting their Chinese Dumplings and Beer event on May 24th at the Dragon Palace.
- The MRS Reception will be held towards the end of June.
- A second Wine Tasting and French Film Fundraiser will be held May 31st at the Filmbar.

Item 13: Call to the Public

New Ambassadors and their parents ask Committee members questions regarding their future trip to Grenoble.

Item 13: Adjourn

Meeting adjourned by Chair Claude Bobin at 6:02 pm.