

Ramat Gan Minutes 5-10-2018

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 pm by Chairperson, Tina Robbins.

The April 12, 2008 minutes were read and approved.

The Financial Summary of \$4,134 was submitted. The upcoming \$500 donation toward the Ann Frank VIP reception will leave a balance of \$3,604 in Committee Funds.

The July Youth Ambassador Picnic was discussed. The YA Picnic will take place on Thursday, July 19th in Sedona. Members were encouraged to join the YA Picnic Committee to plan this event, with a planning meeting in June to take the place of the official Ramat Gan meeting.

The Youth Ambassadors Blake Brennan and Ione Turley presented their Myths & Legends reports on "Ag the Giant" and the "Fairy Frog" fable.

The "Levity and Libations" Event was discussed. As it was previously voted and passed at the April 12th meeting, the event will take place on Sunday, October 21, 2018 from 2-5:00 pm at the home of Todd and Celeste Turley. It will be a "Donation Suggested" event and gift baskets will be made for a drawing. A request was made for auction items to create the baskets, such as gift cards and wine. Rita Marko agreed to send a "Save the Date" email in the coming week to promote the event.

Tina reported that she will be meeting with Shenkar representatives and the Ramat Gan Municipality regarding the Spring Design Event while she is in Israel next month. As previously discussed in the April 12th meeting, the event would take place preferably in February, 2019.

Rita reported an update on the Ann Frank Exhibit at City Hall being presented by the Consulate General of the Netherlands from May 16-18, 2018, and invited our committee members to attend the VIP reception on Wednesday, May 16th at 5:30 pm at City Hall.

Rita reported on the upcoming Phoenix Sister Cities Global Links Business Luncheon, taking place on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at the Arizona Biltmore Hotel. The keynote speaker will be Connie Mariano, retired Admiral, personal physician to three U.S. Presidents, and author of the book *The White House Doctor*. Mia Parish, the former Arizona Republic Editor, will serve as MC. It was reported that "Women in Business" will be the focus of the event this year. Members were encouraged to attend.

Rita reported a tentative plan for the new Mayor of Phoenix to take an outbound trip to Ennis, Grenoble, and Ramat Gan, in Spring, 2019.

There was a discussion regarding the Mayor's Invitational Event "An Evening in Ennis, Ireland" financial recap. Rita reported lower expenses of this year's event, and lower (but still unofficial) proceeds of approximately \$26,000. Last year's gross proceeds were approximately \$42,000,

with net proceeds of approximately \$33,600 once the 20% contribution was applied to Youth and Education.

The meeting finished with a discussion about the upcoming Youth Ambassador Graduation taking place on Monday, May 14th at 6:30 pm, and the announcement of the Youth Ambassador counterparts in Ramat Gan.

The June meeting will be replaced with a Youth Ambassador Picnic planning committee meeting; once this date is determined, the committee be notified.

Our next meeting will be September 13, 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 pm.