



HAMILTON MUNDIALIZATION COMMITTEE
Wednesday, April 18, 2012
Hamilton City Hall, Room 192

MINUTES

Present: Rein Ende as Chairman, Eileen Noronha, Gloria Jackson, Margaret Firth, Jan Lukas, Yvonne Ricciardone, Bob Semkow, Pat Semkow, Ida DeJesus, Lan Whiting, Selina Zhang, Karen Yan, Andrew Zheng, Eddie Lee

Regrets: Jane Lee, Jeff Bonner, Jane Wanamaker, Justina Ku, Solomon Ngan, James Cao

1. **Call to Order:** Rein Ende, at 6:10 p.m.
2. **Approval of the Agenda:** Suggested, that item 6.6, Newspaper Article be added. Moved by Pat Semkow, seconded by Margaret Firth, to approved with additional item. Approved.
3. **Declaration of conflict of interest:** none
4. **Approval of minutes from March 21:** Moved by Pat Semkow, seconded by Eileen Noronha. Carried.
5. **Reports**
 - 5.1 **Chairman**
 - Hiroshima/Nagasaki remembrance event. The Council Chamber has been booked for Thursday, August 9, for this event at 12 noon.
 - The May meeting will be on the 23rd, in a different room (264).
 - 5.2 **Treasurer:** No change from previous report.
6. **Matters for discussion**
 - 6.1 **World Citizenship Award:** Arrangements for this event are now complete with the successful booking of the caterer.
 - 6.2 **Annual General Meeting:** Margaret Firth has contacted all current members and determined their willingness to continue. Jeff Bonner is willing to take on the chairmanship of the committee.
 - 6.3 **Twinning anniversary plans:**

Ma'anshan and Flint: Justina and Rein have selected a glass memento to be laser-etched at a local trophy supplier. The Ma'anshan one will be

made in two copies, one for China and one for us in Hamilton. We hope to present the Flint memento during the games in August. We will arrange to have a committee member, (Solomon or Justina?) deliver the Ma'anshan memento in the course of a regular trip to China.

This year is also the 25th anniversary for Racalmuto. We will try to make a presentation of a similar memento during Festitalia in September, likely at the appropriate regional dinner.

6.4 **Japan Earthquake follow-up:** Rob Winninger has successfully sent the "Samurai banner" to its destination in Japan.

6.5 **Website update:** We have confirmed with Sergei his willingness to continue with the hosting of our website. He has a new updated design in the works. He is awaiting further direction on contact. Also, it was pointed out that Kaga is missing from the list of twin cities, and that this could be an embarrassment. Rein will follow-up.

6.6 **Newspaper article:** Kathy Renwald, a writer for the Hamilton Spectator, is going to Sarasota and elsewhere in Florida on a "Visit Florida" initiative. It was suggested we try to coordinate something.

6.7 **Additional news:** Bob Semkow informed the committee that the Fukuyama Lions' Club is celebrating its 50th anniversary in December.

7. **Adjournment:** With the completion of the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Meeting date reminders:

- WCA: May 8, 2012, AGM: May 23, 2012
- Remaining regular meeting this year: June 20, 2012