



**MINUTES:            Hamilton Mundialization Advisory Committee  
Wednesday, January 18, 2017 – 6:00 p.m.  
Hamilton City Hall, Room 192**

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**Present:**    Rein Ende, Jan Lukas, Pat Semkow, Bob Semkow, Ron Vine,  
                 Jeff Bonner, Leo Johnson, Ramon Petgrave

**Regrets:**

**Absent:**

**Also Present:**    Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
                         Maxine Carter, Human Resources, Access & Equity

**Guests:**        There were no guests

**1.    CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. All were welcomed.

**2.    DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None declared.

**3.    ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

**(R. Vine/P. Semko)**

That the January 18, 2017 agenda, of the Hamilton Mundialization Advisory Committee meeting be accepted with the following amendments:

**Business/Discussion**

6.4    Hamilton Canada 150 Grants

**New Business**

7.1    Visit of Mayor of Paynesville, Liberia - L. Johnson

7.2    Richard Barlas, Curator Collections, Tourism and Culture  
         Discussion

**CARRIED.**

**4.    APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**(P. Semkow/B. Semkow)**

That the November 16, 2016 Minutes be approved as presented.

**CARRIED.**

**5. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

- 5.1** Item 7.1: M. Carter has contacted Records, Information Management, Clerks Division regarding any documentation such as minutes of Council on file with respect to the Twinning Process and the cities that the City of Hamilton are involved with through the Mundialization Committee.
- 5.2** R. Ende thanked J. Bonner for preparing the Mundialization Committees' presentation to the General Issues Committee today, January 18, 2017. R. Ende noted that J. Bonner did an excellent job doing the presentation.

**6. BUSINESS/DISCUSSION**

**6.1 World Citizenship Awards**

J. Bonner introduced and brought forward for discussion the proposed plan regarding the World Citizenship Awards

**(J. Bonner/R. Vine)**

That the Mundialization Committee approves the following plan as presented:

- 1) To open nominations for the 2017 World Citizenship Award from February 20, 2017 to April 30, 2017, with the final award presentation to be held in May 2017 with a date to be determined;
- 2) To form a 2017 World Citizenship Award Working Group, authorized to update materials with edits for dates, contact information, including other relevant information and to bring back a draft work plan including a budget for the event, to the Hamilton Mundialization Committee's February 15, 2017 meeting;
- 3) To authorize the 2017 World Citizenship Award Working Group to approach Council members and/or community members to inquire about interest to act as a judge for the awards, during the first week of May 2017;
- 4) To request that City staff update the Mundialization Committee webpage on the City of Hamilton website to reflect the 2017 World Citizenship Award information, including application forms when available and;

5) That the Mundialization Committee authorizes the Chair to write a community column promoting the World Citizenship Award for Hamilton Mountain News and/or Letters to the Editor of The Spectator.

**CARRIED.**

The following members volunteered to be on the World Citizenship Awards: Jeff Bonner, Ronald Vine and Janice Lukas.

## **6.2 Gandhi Peace Festival Book**

The committee was approached by the Gandhi Peace Festival committee members regarding a book that they are putting together to record these activities. The book is focused on Hamilton as a City of Peace and the role that many individuals and organizations have played over the years in promoting peace. The Gandhi Peace Festival members requested a submission from the Mundialization Committee detailing a description of the origins, purpose or vision, key players and some of the current activities and accomplishments of the Mundialization Committee.

### **L. Johnson/P. Semkow**

That R. Ende be approved to draft the submission for the Gandhi Peace Festival Committee and that the draft be shared at the next meeting.

**CARRIED.**

## **6.3 2017 Activities Plan**

The Committee brainstormed ideas to be used for the 2017 work plan. These ideas were separated into:

### **Existing Activities:**

Yearly activities:

- World Citizenship Awards,
- Hiroshima-Nagasaki Memorial - August 25, 2017
- Photo contest
- Gandhi Peace Festival
- UN Day – September 28
- International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
- Mayor's visits and delegations

### **New Ideas:**

- 1)** Civic Engagement Day with a youth focus – global citizenship
- 2)** Establish a link with HWDSB, HWCDSB, Mohawk College, and McMaster University

- 3)** Invite specific Peace groups and cultural groups to attend Hamilton Mundialization Committee meetings to make a presentation regarding their mandate, terms of reference, and yearly activities
- 4)** Work on Twinned Cities documents; how twinned/mundialization works
- 5)** Reports to City Council; database on points of interest regarding our twinned cities
- 6)** Generate timelines or schedules for Twin contacts, especially local contacts
- 7)** Build relationship with Mayor's Office and Councillors
- 8)** Culture/art showcase event based on the Twinned Cities; past event called "Unity and Diversity show"

**Events HMC is invited to:**

- 1) Gandhi Peace Festival
- 2) UN Day
- 3) March 21 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

**6.4 Hamilton Canada 150 Grants**

The Grants administered through the City of Hamilton are up to \$2,000 for non-profit groups. R. Vine will forward the email and urged members to share it with community groups.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

**7.1 Visit of the Mayor of Paynesville, Liberia**

- L. Johnson reported that the Mayor of Paynesville and government officials will be in Hamilton from March 22 to March 25, 2017 for the 2017 Empowerment Squared Fundraising Gala
- To revisit the issue in February 2017 and perhaps have a discussion regarding a formal relationship with Paynesville and exploration of the twinning relationships and friendships process

**7.2 Richard Barlas, Curator Collections, Tourism and Culture Discussion**

R. Barlas attended the meeting to discuss the Mundialization artifacts and to select appropriate artifacts for the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the three Twinned cities. The cities celebration their 30<sup>th</sup> anniversaries are Racalmuto, Italy; Ma'anshan, China and Flint, Michigan.

**P. Semkow/R. Ende**

That Hamilton Mundialization Committee form a working group to work with Richard Barlas, the Curator of Collections, Tourism and Culture section, to select artifacts for the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the three twinned cities: Racalmuto, Italy, Ma'anshan, China, and Flint, Michigan.

**CARRIED.**

**P. Semkow/R. Ende**

That P. Semkow, B. Semkow, and R. Vine be appointed to the working group to select artifacts.

**CARRIED.**

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION SHARING**

- No announcements

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

**P. Semkow/R. Vine**

That the Hamilton Mundialization Committee be adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

**CARRIED.**