

MINUTES THE SISTER CITIES COMMISSION
13 JULY 2016

The Members of the Sister Cities Commission met in regular session on Wednesday, 13 July 2016 at 1:00 pm at Danville City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Chair Reigelman and upon roll call the following members were documented as either present or absent:

PRESENT

Milton Reigelman, Chair
Liz Orndorff
Gail Louis
Georgia deAraujo
Mary Beth Touchstone
Jane Dewey
Russ Goodwin
Ray Hammond

ABSENT

Jane Boyd
Andrew Crown-Weber
Mayor Mike Perros

Also present were Danville City Manager Ron Scott and Rachel White, secretary to the Sister Cities Commission.

The Chair declared a quorum and requested a motion to accept meeting minutes for January, March and May 2016. The motion was made by Ray Hammond and seconded by Liz Orndorff. A call for the vote resulted in the minutes being adopted unanimously.

A consequence of the Brexit vote is the loss of title as Baron and Baronet of Carrickfergus by Prince William and Princess Kate; therefore, time is of the essence to invite the couple to Danville. Suggestions for appropriate planned activities while in Kentucky; the Royal Couple will present the Queen Elizabeth trophy at the Keeneland Fall races and tour the Lexington Alltech's Brewing and Distilling Company owned by Pearse Lyons of Northern Ireland. Commission recommendations include involving Mr. Lyons in the planning and focus other planned activities specific to the interests of the Royal Couple.

The current fund balance for the Sister Cities Commission is \$5,924.76. The only outstanding financial obligation is \$1,000.00 for the Uplift program. Funding will assist with housing for the Northern Irish theater group owned by Ryan and Amy Moffett. They will hold 2 one-week children's theater camp in collaboration with West T Hill Theater.

Mary Beth Touchstone, Jane Dewey and Georgia deAraujo submitted a draft of the Artist Exchange application review by the Commission. Support from the exchange has been received from Mid and East Atrim Borough Council's former Mayor Billy Ashe and Chief Executive Office Anne Donaghy; efforts are in place to garner support from the current Mayor, Councillor Audrey Wales MBE.

Members of the community will have the opportunity to lunch with Ryan and Amy at Community Arts Center on July 16 or see a special performance by Uplift on Sunday July 17 at

7:30 pm. CampCauseWeLoveToAct will start on July 18th and run for two weeks. The play Edgar Allen Poe, directed by Centre College professor of dramatic arts Anthony R. Haigh, will be attended by the Uplift actors at Pioneer Playhouse prior to their departure for home.

The Sister Cities Commission currently has two vacant positions. The chair requested the members to make recommendations.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on August 10, 2016.

Milton Reigelman, Chair

Rachel White, Secretary