

Sioux Falls Sister Cities Association
January 21, 2010
Center for Active Generations

The Sioux Falls Sister Cities Association met for the regular monthly meeting at the Center for Active Generations. President, Ginny Beck, called the meeting to order at 7pm.

President, Ginny Beck, introduced Jodi Schwan, Chief of Staff to Mayor Dave Munson. Jodi presented information on the possible new Sioux Falls Event Center: In 2008, Mayor Munson solicited applications from citizens interested in the Events Center Task Force. The current Arena is nearing 50 years old and the public now expects better shows, more comfortable seats, improved sightlines, and other amenities our Arena cannot offer. Surrounding communities continue to benefit greatly from their modern facilities by aggressively pursuing sports, entertainment and other events that generate substantial amounts of lodging, restaurant, and other business from people in our region and beyond. The visitor industry is a vital component of our City's economy. Jodi reviewed the current price tag and hurdles the City and the Task Force are working to resolve. Thank you to Jodi Schwan for an interesting look at the City of Sioux Falls.

A short business meeting was held.

Treasurer's Report: Steve Hauff presented the 2009 financial report and the 2010 budget. CD: \$xxxxx.xx and Checking: \$x,xxx.xx. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Claims: Tiffany Hagan, Virtual Office Advantage \$xxx.xx. The expense was approved.

Ireland: A videoconference, with Newry, is planned to sign the Sister Cities agreement. There is no date set as of this meeting, but St. Patrick's Day is a possible goal.

Elections were held: The 2010 Officers are:

Ginny Beck, President
Dale Schmidt, Vice President
Colleen Schulte, Secretary
Steve Hauff, Treasurer

Thank you to Kathy Madison for such a great job recording the minutes. All of your hard work and diligence is very much appreciated. Ginny announced that Tiffany Hagan has agreed to take on the duty of recording the Meeting Minutes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Thanks to Helga for the delicious treats!