

# ATAD Board - Minutes of Meeting

March 1, 2022

Final

**Present:** Sharon Garofanello, Iva Doser, Guillaume Yoboue, Suzanne Isgrigg, Barbara Pellicano, Rosalba Pisaturo, Marina Sweany, George Morgan, Deb Allwell, Peggy Lull, Marina Sweaney, Alicia Ward

**Guest:** Jodi Lehr Waite

**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order via Zoom at 7:05 PM by President Sharon Garofanello. Treasurer's report and the minutes from February 1, 2022 meeting have been approved.

**Treasurer's report: The treasurer submitted the financial report for review.**

## **Host Families: Sue Isgrigg**

We have three girls with complete applications who wish to come in September. There is Carla from Italy and two girls from Spain, Lara and Laura. So far we have one host family. The Allens in Geneseo wish to host again. They are making up their mind as they just received the short blurbs for the three girls. The three blurbs are posted on the ATAD website. One of the girls from Spain wants to play basketball. The other girl from Spain wants to play volleyball. Maybe this will help find an interested host family. We have applied for a table at the Webster PTSA community arts day in April.

I would like to setup an event to get our two exchange students together in late March or April. We discussed inviting the two exchange students at Rush Henrietta and host siblings. I was thinking of a pizza party and the rock climbing wall at Dick's Eastview Mall. Looking for volunteers to organize the event. Sharon and Deb agreed to help.

## **CSET:**

Nothing to report.

## **State Department:**

Nothing to report.

## **Website Update: George Morgan**

February's minutes will be posted and the bios for the new prospective students are posted as well.

## **Guillaume**

Per my phone conversation with Laura Cardella and Sarah Campbell:

Things are going well for Sarah at home and at Brighton High School. Sarah is excited because she got a cell phone. At school, Sarah was able to get into English 10 class. She is still taking her other classes (Studio Art, PE, etc.) but dropped Video Communications. Sarah also decided to not audition for the school's musical as she felt a little intimidated. However, she is making friends in her 10th grade classes.

This past weekend, the family made some home made pizza and some home made pasta. Sarah's dance classes are going well.

Sarah and the Cardella family went to Florida during February Recess: they visited Miami and Hallandale Beach for five days. The family is planning to go to Hilton Head Island, South Carolina for April Recess. On the way to South Carolina, they will stop in Washington DC and visit the Smithsonian Museum.

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**Rosalba –**

We have received an application from Caltanissetta. Carla Albano has applied for the academic year 2022-2023. I understand that there is a family in Geneseo interested in hosting. We will look into the interview process soon.

**Barbara Pellicano - Spain**

Manu is doing great both in school and at home. He continues to excel in all his classes. He is currently in California with the family and I am sure they are all having a wonderful time.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Iva Doser