

ATAD Board - Minutes of Meeting

November 8, 2017

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Present: Iva Doser, Sharon Garofanello, Marina Sweany, George Morgan, Randy Peacock, Alicia Ward, Sue Isgrigg,

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by President, Sharon Garofanello.

Order of business: The order of business was reviewed and accepted without change.

Minutes of previous meeting: The Board Members approved minutes of the October 2017 meeting with the changes suggested.

Treasurer's report: Dean Ekberg

On October 19 Dean attended a presentation by the NY State Attorney General's office for leaders of Not for Profit organizations in the Rochester region.

Fundraising:

Ideas needed for the fund-raising letter. *Please send any stories and pictures you might have involving current or former students, families on both sides of the exchange—anything that involves ATAD and might be of particular interest.* As usual, I need the lead for the letter. Please send any ideas via email ASAP. Our custom has been to get the letter out by Dec. 1 and we need some time for formatting, printing, and distribution. .

Host Families:

Looking for a Chair for Host Families. In the meantime the whole board needs to take part in the search for host families and reach out to their contacts.

Americans Overseas: Peggy Lull

Nothing to report.

State Department: Sue Isgrigg

No report.

CSIET:

Nothing to report.

Policies and Procedures Committee:

No report.

Website development: George Morgan

Nothing to report.

Social Media:

No report.

Outreach: Tonya Thompson

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December 31 is the deadline for all applications for Gary Simon Scholarship. There are no applicants currently.

Activities: Barbara Pellicano

We had a very successful overnight at Canandaigua Lake. All three ISs and one host sister attended. We fished, drove the boat, hiked, painted pumpkins, cooked and had fun. Required orientation sessions were conducted by Peggy Lull and Sue Isgrigg. Students were returned to their parents at Sharon Garofanello's house. Since this is a small group, Sue recommends that we hold the farewell picnic in June at her condo.

There is not going to be NYC trip due to lack of interest.

The City Hall reception invitation is for 11/20/2017

Programs:

Bamako: Alicia Ward

The recent visit by the Malian Delegation, led by Mayor Adama Sangaré, was successful. Unfortunately, ATAD leadership was not able to meet with them due to a change in the itinerary that led to their early departure. As Bamako Chair, I shared information regarding ATAD was shared. International Student information was shared them and they were encouraged to reach out to eligible Bamako students to apply.

Wurzburg: Bob Wason

No report.

Arequipa: Tom Greiner

There are 2 potential students from Peru. Bio for Javier Espino is available, a girl student is interested as well. The best way to know if she is going to be placed is to have both available to find the best fit for the host family.

Iquitos, Peru: Barb Pellicano

Nothing to report.

Novgorod: Marina Sweany

Alina is very busy with her musical. Rehearsals are every day, she loves her school and said that teachers respect students and treat them more like equal. She came to Rochester for a weekend, went shopping, to science museum and pumpkin carving party with Maria's family. She will be performing this weekend. There was a little misunderstanding in her family with parents and a host sister but it was resolved by having earnest conversations.

Rennes:

Nothing to report.

Majorca: Joanne Funk

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Maria del Mar and Sebastian:

Both home visits are completed. Both families seem to be doing fine. Sebastian had a problem with his finger and went to the doctor's last week. Today I got a call from Ksenia and she said that Maria twisted her ankle and it was a little swollen so they were going to take her in. Haven't heard anything yet as far as how the appointment went.

Sebastian is going to begin indoor track and also a Saturday indoor soccer league. I am meeting with them both on Thursday after school to get a bite to eat and catch up

Caltanissetta: Rosalba Pisaturo

Reapplied for Alyssa, hoping that she will be coming in the next few weeks.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM on November 8, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,
Iva Doser