

**Sister City Committee
Minutes of Meeting
March 6, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by Mike Vacchiano, chair. Members present were Carolyn Basford, Suzie Holloway, Marilyn Hoback, Cindy Clay, Mary Pizza and John Beals, Centerville City Council. Phil McLaughlin was excused.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as written.

The Treasurer's Report showed \$2175.00 available to the committee. The Sister Cities International dues have been paid.

Old Business:

New sister city? There was a discussion concerning pursuing a new sister city as to whether it should be a Canadian, French speaking or a city in France.

Student Exchange? Mr. Bowersock, who teaches 4th year German students at Centerville High School has indicated that a moratorium has been declared for the GAPP program for German Student Exchanges for this year and the next school year as well. Carolyn suggested we work with the teachers from Centerville High School who take students to France and Germany each summer and try to do a student exchange with our students and with students from Bad Zwischenahn. Mike and Carolyn will contact Centerville High School principal, John Carroll, to discuss meeting with him and visiting the possibility of reinvigorating our student exchange program.

New Business: There was discussion on a possible Canadian sister city...English speaking?

Meeting with Centerville City Council:

The Mayor and City Council are holding short 15 minute meetings with each city committee and commission to discuss their accomplishments, activities, goals and future plans. Our committee will meet with them April 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Future Meeting Dates:

Future 2018 meetings will be April 3, May 1, June, 5, September4, October 2, November 6, and the Christmas Dinner, possibly at the Golden Lamb again. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Centerville Police Station.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Pizza, Secretary