



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Kassel-Dane Sister County Task Force

Tuesday, October 10, 2017

5:30 PM

City-County Building Room 321

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A. Call To Order

Erickson called the meeting to order at 5:34pm.

Chenoweth arrived at 5:30 during item 7(1).

Present 4 - BILL CLAUSIUS, CHUCK ERICKSON, CHARLES JAMES, and MARY KOLAR

Absent 8 - CARL CHENOWETH, CYNDA SOLBERG, SCOTT MCDONELL, ANNE WEBER,
JERI SPRINGSTEAD, GERHARD FISCHER, JEAN TAYLOR ERICKSON, and ROE
PARKER

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2017](#) Minutes of the 4/19/17 Kassel-Dane Sister County Task Force Meeting
[MIN-314](#)

Attachments: [2017 MIN-314](#)

A motion was made that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

C. Action Items

D. Presentations

E. Reports to Committee

1. Updates - Review of 2017

1A. *German flag flew at CCB for German Unification Day and German-American Friendship Day*

The flag flew in front of the City-County building for both German Unification Day and German-American Friendship Day.

1B. *Madison College Big Band Tour*

Erickson provided an overview and noted that the tour was a success.

1C. EUARCA+ Brenda Baker & Jennika Bastian artist in residence

Erickson provided an update that the artists spoke at the County Board meeting as well as the Cultural Affairs Commission meeting.

Chenoweth arrived at 5:30pm.

Present 5 - CARL CHENOWETH, BILL CLAUSIUS, CHUCK ERICKSON, CHARLES JAMES, and MARY KOLAR

Absent 7 - CYNDA SOLBERG, SCOTT MCDONELL, ANNE WEBER, JERI SPRINGSTEAD, GERHARD FISCHER, JEAN TAYLOR ERICKSON, and ROE PARKER

1D. September 28, 2017 Dane County Board Meeting

As note above.

2. 2018 Items

2A. Edgar Knecht Trio - Travel in 2018 to record CD and perform at Stoughton Opera House

Erickson updated the committee on the Trio's intentions to travel in spring 2018.

2B. Ancorra Quarter - Financial Support

Supervisor Erickson made the group aware of the Ancorra Quintets travel plans for 2018 and asked for the task force to approve \$500 support for their tour.

There will be a budget amendment for the \$500.

James made a motion to approve the recommendation for a \$500 budget amendment for the Ancorra Quintet, seconded by Chenoweth, motion carried by a voice vote.

2C. [2017](#) Business Event Proposal

[RPT-385](#)

Attachments: [business_event_feb_2018](#)

Erickson presented the proposal that Roe Parker put together. Discussion ensued. The task force was interested in pursuing the event. Erickson will follow-up and will hopefully have the help of the Kassel intern to plan the event.

2D. [2017](#) Host Exhibit of H.D. Tylle

[RPT-386](#)

Attachments: [H.D. Tylle Proposal](#)

Erickson presented the proposal.

2E. Internship for Kassel-Dane Task Force

Erickson introduced the idea of a Kassel intern in the Board office to assist with Kassel-Dane initiatives, communications, etc. Erickson will be creating a budget amendment so this can be a paid internship. The task force supported the decision.

3. Discussion of Potential Ideas

3A. Requested an exhibit in Kassel or Germany for the photography of Rebecca Power and Steve Agard - there are possibilities according to our contact Harald Kuehlborn

Erickson presented this idea.

3B. Business contact between the Wirtschaftsfoerderung Kassel (economic promotion / promotion of trade and industry for Kassel county & region) & MadRep - These two groups perform the same function, we should put them in touch with each other

Erickson presented this idea. Believes there is a connection and potential for including in a business event.

3C. Continue our relationship with Madison Freiburg Sister City committee and the Wisconsin Hessen group

Discussion ensued regarding the potential of a joint meeting, and what could be done to formalize the relationship. Erickson will continue to work on ideas.

3D. Zoo Lights again this year - Potentially like a German Christmas Market

The Zoo will be doing zoo lights again with the intention of including a German Christmas market type feel. Discussion ensued about potential ideas of how the task force could be involved, potentially as a promotional event to make the public aware of the Kassel-Dane relationship.

Other Updates/Suggestions?

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

There was no public comment

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

I. Adjourn

A motion was made by KOLAR, seconded by JAMES, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lauren Kuhl, pending committee approval.