

**City of Burlington
Mundialization Committee
Meeting No. 8-16**

Date of Meeting: November 2, 2016
Time of Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
Place of Meeting: Room 247, Burlington City Hall

Members Present: Arnold Koopman (Chair), Johanna Haan (Vice-Chair), Mary Vuk, Chuck Morris, Charles Minken, Bill Stafford, Sabrina Yott, Peter Bridger, Rob Lyng,

Others Present: Lisa Palermo (Clerk)

Member Regrets: Councillor Blair Lancaster, Neal Patel, Herbert Jaimes, William Swybrous

Minutes

Agenda Item	Discussion	Results/ Action
1. Declarations of Interest and approval of minutes		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No declarations of interest. • The minutes of meeting No.7-16, held on October 5, 2016 were approved as amended. Carried
2. Apeldoorn sub-committee update	<p>Charlie provided the Apeldoorn sub-committee update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nov. 29 – Bryan Wiley presentation of Vermeer art at Burlington Public Library. There are 69 registered to attend • Dates are being finalized for the Apeldoorn citizen exchange to Burlington in the fall of 2017. Due to flight availability, Apeldoorn citizens have inquired about adding 3 days onto their travel to Burlington. Members discussed possible options/suggestions. It was suggested that the citizens organize a 3-day trip outside of Burlington prior to returning home. (i.e. Ottawa, Muskoka, etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members to circulate posters for the BPL presentation on Vermeer. • MOTION: to spend up to \$100 for an honorarium/gift for Brian Wylie, the speaker at the Nov. 29 BPL presentation on Vermeer. Carried.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plans for the 2017 Canada Netherlands Friendship Day, to be held May 7, will commence in January. 	
3. Itabashi sub-committee update	<p>Chuck provided the Itabashi sub-committee update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upcoming Burlington Public Library events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dec. 12 – a talk about how various cultures celebrate Christmas February 15 (1-3 pm) – Buddhism seminar The tea ceremony held October 29 at the library was attended by 28 individuals. The sushi making session planned for November 16 at the library is sold out. The committee is currently discussing what seminars to offer for 2017. The committee is also investigating youth programs for March break and summer. More information to be provided in the new year. Plans for the 2017 Sakura Festival are underway. The event will be held on May 7 at the Art Gallery of Burlington. Discussions continue with Parks and Open Space staff at the city regarding a potential Itabashi garden. City staff are actively investigating potential funding sources in the upcoming budget. 	
4. United Nations Day sub-committee update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sabrina Yott provided the UN Day subcommittee update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 75+ students attended the event. Students from Assumption, Nelson, Bateman, Burlington Central, Bishop Redding, Iroquois Ridge and Loyola in Oakville participated. Sabrina and the UN sub-committee members received kudos from everyone for a successful event. Karina Gould was an informative and inspiring speaker. Students asked questions for over an hour. Questions period was cut off so that Karina could return to Ottawa. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MOTION: to spend an additional \$100 to cover UN Day expenses. Carried.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The break out sessions were well attended and students actively participated. ○ Feedback forms completed by students and comments from students revealed positive experiences with the speaker, break out sessions, information, learning and pizza! ○ The sub-committee will commence planning for the Halton Model UN event taking place April 2017. 	
5. Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members agreed that there would be no meeting in December. The next meeting will be held in January. Lisa will circulate the new meeting schedule before the end of the year. • Applications for positions on citizen committees will be received until November 7th. Lisa will arrange interviews to include Councillor Lancaster, Johanna Haan and Chuck Morris on the interview panel. • Charlie informed members about the “walking cane project” being coordinated by a wood carver guild at the AGB. Guild members have been custom carving canes with a beaver head and presenting them to local veterans. The guild is offering to make canes for Dutch veterans. Members of the Apeldoorn subcommittee in Burlington will connect with Burlington committee members in Apeldoorn to identify recipients for the hand carved canes. More information to be provided at a later date. 	

Adjournment: 6:50 p.m.

Next meeting date: January 2017