

International Cultural Exchange Committee
A Subcommittee of Geneva's Strategic Advisory Committee (SPAC)
Geneva City Hall COUNCIL CHAMBERS (2nd floor)
22 South First Street, Geneva, IL60134
Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at 5:15 p.m.

Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:20 p.m. Cynthia Albright, Pam Cabeen, Angela Chalberg Pool, Larry Johnson, Mary Jane Johnson, David Monaco, Lisa Murphy, and Denise Snyder were in attendance.

Approval of Minutes: Larry motioned for acceptance of the minutes and Angela seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report: Angela reported the treasury balance remains the same at \$2926.55

ICEC Flyer: Angela and Lisa presented a preliminary draft of a new ICEC flyer. Everyone agreed the flyer was very well done. There were a few suggestions made. Shortening the length of the *Past Events* section was recommended as well as broadening the *Connecting Cultures* section to be more inclusive of all cultures.

Next Webinar: Larry reported he met with Esther Roby of the All Chocolate Kitchen. She and Chef Roby have agreed to share a video and provide a Q&A session for the next program exchange with Croissy. Suggested dates for the program are November 14th or 21st. Ben McCready's assistance will be needed to run the transmission of the program.

ICEC/CROISSY Signs: Cynthia and Denise spoke about the prospect of placing signs in Geneva denoting ICEC's partnership with Croissy, France. Cynthia indicated Ben McCready and the Geneva Economic Development Director, Cathleen Tymoszenko, will do a walkabout in town to decide on appropriate placement of the signs.

Foreign Film Sunday: Pam Cabeen will facilitate October's Foreign Film Sunday featuring the film, *Ma Vie En Rose*.

Additional Remarks: Several board members suggested the idea of investigating and documenting the ethnic diversity within the Geneva community since we are the International Cultural Exchange Committee. Such groups as expatriate Geneva residents, AFS current and former students, exchange student host family members, ECI participants and chaperones, etc. could be contacted for their input.

Pam agreed to check with the Geneva High School film department to inquire about their interest in producing such a project.

Larry volunteered to create a storyboard with suggestions from the ICEC board members. Denise offered her assistance in producing vignettes.

Future Projects-2022:

Art Fair

Arts on Fire-hydrants

ICEC/Croissy sign

Ongoing Projects:

Email listserv

Enhance city website with photos, copies of newsletters, etc.

Framing of painting and presentation

Adjournment: Pam motioned for adjournment of the meeting and Larry seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.