

Jasper Partnership Commission

Meeting Minutes 7/31/2020

8:00 am – Pfaffenweiler Room

ROLL CALL

Max Verkamp

Mayor

Lisa Bower

Steffi Schmuecker

Andrea Gramelspacher

Sean Jochum

Stan Jochum

Mattias Hilger

Kim Lottes

CALL TO ORDER / MINUTES

Max called the meeting to order at 8:01am.

Steffi made the motion to accept the minutes from the May 1, 2020 Partnership Commission meeting. Sean seconded the motion. The motion carried.

35th Anniversary Trip Celebrating the Sister Cities Partnership

Max had a very good conversation with Jackie from Jackie's Travel regarding the trip. She was excited about the trip and ready to work with us.

Below are the options Jackie suggested:

Cancelled 2020 Trip

- 8-day trip with 7 days/6 nights in Pfaffenweiler
- Cost \$1995

Planned 2021 Trip

- 9-day trip with 5.5 days/5 nights in Pfaffenweiler with 2.5 days/2 nights in another destination
- Cost will be more than \$2000 with a goal of around \$2500
- Options Jackie and I discussed included the following
 - Fly in/out of Munich – visit Munich & Neuschwanstein Castle then travel to Pfaffenweiler
 - Fly in/out of Munich – visit Ehrwald Austria then travel to Pfaffenweiler
 - Fly in/out of Paris – visit Paris then travel to Pfaffenweiler
 - Fly in/out of Frankfurt – do a Rhine River boat trip then travel to Pfaffenweiler - *(most liked by Sister Cities group)*
 - Fly in/out of Frankfurt – visit Roettenburg then travel to Pfaffenweiler
 - Fly in/out of Zurich – visit Lucerne area then travel to Pfaffenweiler

- Fly in/out of Zurich – visit Zermatt and the Matterhorn then travel to Pfaffenweiler

Other conversations were around having the trip around Christmas 2021. This might spark a different group of individual's attention. Another option would be to have the trip during the student exchange in 2022. This might pull parents and other family members to go on the trip.

This fall we can decide on next steps but after discussion the 35th Anniversary Trip has been postponed to late 2021 or early 2022.

Lisa will gather dates between Jasper Partnership Commission and Pfaffenweiler Partnership Commission to have a joint social hour via zoom meeting. We will invite Mary Leigh Siegel, Van Ziegler and Ross Halverson to the meeting. Max and Lisa will work on an agenda. Stay tuned for more details.

Other Business

Discussion on Partnership Logo. The Mayor's office will keep the logo file and any businesses wanting to use it will go through the Mayor's office and the President of the Partnership Commission for approval and contract. The German Club and Sister Cities also have access to the logo. They need to let the Mayor's office know when they secure any items with the Partnership logo.

Stan mentioned two new wines have been brought in to possibly start selling locally.

Andrea motioned to adjourn the meeting. Steffi seconded.

NEXT MEETING

No formal meeting to schedule at this time. Members will be notified of the specific date.