

MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF PORTSMOUTH NH

Mayor's Blue Ribbon Committee on Sister Cities

Thursday, November 20, 5 pm

Conference Room A and Zoom

Zoom recording:
https://youtu.be/KmtvbLgcb_s?si=OyddhhzBxG9GbrVd

1. Attending: Councilor Rich Blalock, Robert Conard, Mary Carey Foley, Stephanie Seacord, Christine Friese

2. Old Business:

- a. Recap of Nichinan and Santarcangelo visits and receptions
 - i. 17 people (including the teachers) were in Portsmouth Oct 6-12, with reception at the library Thursday October 9 4:30-5:30 pm
 - ii. 16 students from Nichinan were here October 10-16. Mayor and officials and some committee members attended the PHS assembly October 14 at 2:00 pm.
- b. Carrickfergus (East Antrim), Northern Ireland: Alan Magee (son of Noel Magee, City Council, (signed agreement July 1994)) and his wife Laura visited with the Mayor, Mary Carey, Bob Sullivan and Ben Van Camp on October 10 and reviewed photos his father had taken here in 1996
- c. Portsmouth UK tour – Chamber has not received enough reservations to proceed with this trip. Will revisit the plans and promotion for a future trip.
- d. Nichinan City Magazine story on the delegation's visit for the 120th Treaty Anniversary
- e. Portsmouth UK invitation to Lord Mayor's Holiday Greetings (zoom) Dec 16. Portsmouth Public Library MacLeod Room, 9 am. This will replace the Dec 28 scheduled meeting.
- f. Update on Nelson, New Zealand
- g. Update on correspondence with Hungary -- none.
- h. Update on Sister City Fund/ Next Steps
- i. Review and approval of minutes from past meetings -- on a motion by Robert