

Partner City Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes – October 5, 2016

Harmon Conference Room, 1101 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas

Attendance: Ed Klimek, Glen Lojka, Dolly Anderson, Liz Beikmann, Sara Vytlacil, Mila Valenta, Vern Wirka, Mary Ann Buhler, and students attending Kansas State University Filip Belsky and Matej Stejskal. Staff: Gary Fees.

At 4:05 p.m., Chair Ed Klimek called the meeting to order.

Klimek welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The Committee discussed upcoming events and activities in the community and region.

Filip Belsky and Matej Stejskal provided their observations and experiences at Kansas State University and the community of Manhattan.

Vytlacil highlighted recent and upcoming Czech events including attending a day-long Oklahoma Czech Festival in Yukon, Oklahoma on October 1; Czech Festival in Cuba, Kansas on October 15; Czechfest in York, Nebraska on October 16; and the Republic County Festival in Mundon, Kansas on October 30. Vytlacil reported that volunteers baked more than 2,500 dozen kolaches for the Czech Festival in Oklahoma and she shared a photo of a miniature kolache.

Wirka reported that he attended the Prague, Nebraska Czech Festival. He also informed the group that he and Lojka are attending the Czech language class at Kansas State being taught by Ondrej.

After discussion, Beikmann moved to approve the September 7, 2016, Partner City Advisory Meeting minutes. Vytlacil seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Lojka discussed the programs for the next two months. He stated that Wirka has agreed to be the presenter for the November Partner City meeting and would like to see the students attending Kansas State University from the Czech Republic to present in December.

Klimek announced that the December meeting is typically filled with student presentation and committee members and friends bring a food dish to share.

After further comments and discussion from members and students, Klimek thanked everyone for attending. He stated the next meeting would be on Wednesday, November 2, 2016, at 4:00 p.m., Harmon Conference Room.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.