

# Partner City Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes – December 7, 2016

City Commission Room, 1101 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas

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**Attendance:** Ed Klimek, Glen Lojka, Dolly Anderson, Liz Beikmann, Sara Vytlačil, Mila Valenta, Vern Wirka, Karen Wirka, Jan Janasek, Ron Janasek, Barry Michie, David and Kay Fiser, and students attending Kansas State University including Filip Belsky, Michaela Koletova, Ondrej Benes, Martin Kubis, Simon Kopsa, Jan Pisl, and Martin Patrman. Staff: Gary Fees.

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

Klimek welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Introductions were made from friends and students. A photo of the students and a group photo of those in attendance was taken to commemorate the event.

The meeting minutes from the last meeting were announced. After discussion, Beikmann moved to approve the November 2, 2016, Partner City Advisory Committee meeting minutes. Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The Committee and students discussed their recent experiences attending the Czech Festival in Cuba and the Festival in Mundon. Several individuals spoke about the sculptures created by Lojka and one of the students experienced his first trip to the Janasek's family farm and riding in a large combine.

The Committee enjoyed homemade treats and desserts.

Lojka announced that Ondrej and Simon would be the presenters at the February meeting and we would all be learning about the Czech language.

The international students attending Kansas State University presented information about themselves, their experiences at K-State and Manhattan, as well as provided presentations about their home countries. Presentations were received from Filip Belsky, Michaela Koletova, Ondrej Benes, Martin Kubis, Simon Kopsa, Jan Pisl, and Martin Patrman.

After the presentations, Klimek and the committee thanked the students for participating in the Partner City meetings and wished them well.

Klimek stated there would not be a meeting in January and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

After further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.