

Partner City Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes – May 6, 2015

City Commission Room, 1101 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas

Attendance: Ed Klimek, Liz Beikmann, Pamela Hatesohl, Barry Michie, Mary Ann Buhler, Sara Vytlacil, David Fiser, Kay Fiser, Martha Seaton, Eva Zurek, and K-State students Jessi Long and from the Czech Republic Pavel Janovsky, Jan Vlnas, Tomas Bovsa, Pavel Kratochvil, Radim Dudek, Ondrej Kollert, and Tereza Kafkova. Staff: Gary Fees.

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

Klimek welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

Mary Ann Buhler announced that the Flint Hills Masterworks Chorale would be performing on May 12, 2015, at 7:30 p.m., All Faiths Chapel, and invited everyone to attend.

Liz Beikmann moved to approve the minutes from the April 1, 2015, meeting. Pamela Hatesohl seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Sara Vytlacil presented slides from her recent trip to the Czech Republic Embassy. She also provided an update on upcoming Czech festivals that she would be attending in July and August. After discussion, she agreed to coordinate and update the Facebook site created by former Czech Queen and K-State student Christy Dowling.

Klimek provided an update on Dowling and contact information. He distributed information regarding the publication of a Kansas Czech newsletter.

Those present enjoyed delicious homemade kolaches and various foods and snacks provided by members of the committee and friends to recognize the international students completing their studies at Kansas State University.

The international students presented information about their respective cities, universities, history, culture, and about their families. Presentations were provided from international students Radim Dudek, Jan Vlnas and Pavel Janovsky.

After the student presentations, the students were congratulated on choosing Kansas State University and for being part of the Partner City efforts to help strengthen collaboration and provide educational information between our communities and countries.

Klimek presented the students with a Certificate of Appreciation, which followed with a group photograph to commemorate the exchange.

Klimek thanked everyone for attending and announced that the next Partner City Advisory Committee meeting would be at 4:00 p.m., on Wednesday, June 3, 2015.

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.