

Cedar Rapids/Iowa City Friendship Force
Board Meeting
Feb.5, 2012

Present: John Sauer, Pat Klopfenstein, Vic Klopfenstein, Connie Williams, Dave Detwiler, Dale Moore, Dianne Karal, Steve Williams

1. **Dates**-A number of dates were changed and those are reflected in the annual calendar.
2. **Council for International Visitors (CIVIC)**-Dave, at the suggestion of Gayle Bray, will meet with the CIVIC in Iowa City to talk about future cooperation. Note: This organization is also linked with IFRC, International Foreign Relations Council in Iowa City.
3. **World Conference**- in Hiroshima, Oct. 30-Nov. 2. Pres. - Elects Hildebrand are not going and in accord with the By-Laws the next attendee would be an Exchange Coordinator or another member. No decision at this time.
4. **Shirts**- Green ones to be given to students in March or sold at half price. White with no CR logo to be given to students. Newer white shirts with logo, no change - \$30.
5. **Exchanges open to other clubs**- Generally exchanges will be open to other clubs after local members are solicited. No further minimums are set at this time, but FFI has set a minimum of 15.
6. **Treasurer's Report**-General Fund Balance \$12756.24.
Exchange Account net worth 4372.14
Total Cash \$16492.88
Total Net Worth (cash less IRIS & Goods) \$17128.38

Motion by Detwiler, 2nd by V. Klopfenstein, Approved
7. **Budget**- 2012
Motion by Sauer, 2nd by C Williams, Approved
8. **Open World** with Russian Physician March 30-'April 7. Report by Vic Klopfenstein. Week will include UI teaching hospital, regional hospital and local physicians.
9. **World Friendship Day**- March 25 at Shueyville Methodist Church. Members will be needed to pick up students at Kirkwood. Speaker is Sherrie Nisly of World Link, Inc. Dinner is potluck with international foods.

10. **Collection**—a free will offering will be collected for a former World Link student from Armenia at the Meeting March 25.
11. **Connecticut Inbound**— May 5-11, 2012. Advertising is out for an ED
12. **Mystery Exchange**—Dianne reported on an incoming mystery exchange for June 22-25, 2012. Phyllis Seidl has agreed to be the ED. Motion by Detwiler, 2nd by P. Klopfenstein, Approved.
13. **St. Louis**- Marion Wetjen is ED for a domestic exchange with St. Louis. Tentative dates are Sept. 27 to Oct. 3, 2012.
14. **Niagara Canada**- An incoming international exchange is planned with Niagara Canada either Oct. 21-28 or Oct. 23-30, 2012.
15. **Theme Exchanges**- Planning with regional coordinator Pat Meyer who will be the speaker at the May 6 General Meeting to be held in Marion.
16. **New Club Initiative**- New rules on Global Expansion will be announced by FFI Feb. 17. We have a possible exchange or new club initiative with a club in Uganda.
17. **Indonesian Teacher Exchange**-Possible in 2012 or 2013, more likely 2013. A \$1000 subsidy by our club was suggested.
18. **ED training**- Training will be provided for future ED's, Sat., April 28 for domestic exchanges and Sunday, April 29 for international exchanges. 22 members have indicated an interest. Dianne requested a training budget of up to \$100. Moved by Detwiler, 2nd by V. Klopfenstein, Approved.

Next Board meeting is scheduled for April 15, tentatively at Hiawatha Library..