

YORK TWINNING ASSOCIATION

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Minutes for Monthly Meeting - November 9, 2022 - via Zoom, 7 PM to 7:52 PM

Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag:

7:00 PM by Betty Stein

Attendance Officers and Chairpersons:

Co-Presidents – Betty & Doug Stein (present)

Vice President – Laura Kobenick (absent)

Secretary – OPEN

Treasurer – JaNeene Powell (absent)

Assistant Treasurer – Kyle Groft (absent)

French Adult Exchange Chair – Ben Stein (present), Jennifer Grimm (present)

French Student Exchange Co-Chairs – Kristin Witmer (present) & Kristina Spies (present)

German Adult Exchange Co-Chairs – Hank Groat (present) and Laura Kobenick (absent)

German Student Exchange Co-Chairs – Hannah Heintzelman (absent), Open

12th Night House Tour Fundraising Co-Chairs – Mary (present) and Larry Homsher (present)

General Fundraising Chair – POSITION OPEN

Membership/Dues – JaNeene Powell (present)

Marketing/PR – POSITION OPEN

Way/Means – POSITION OPEN

Newsletter – OPEN

Webmaster – Ken Krause (present)

Hospitality – Kristi Spies (present)

Spring Winetasting Co-Chair – Kristi Spies (present), Melanie Winters (absent)

Compliance Officer – POSITION OPEN

Attendance of Additional Members:

Carolyn VanNewkirk

Sierra Rhodes

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Motion by Larry Homsher to accept minutes. Motion seconded by Carolyn VanNewkirk. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Motion made by Larry Homsher to accept treasurer's reports for thru October 2022. Motion seconded by Ben Stein. Motion carried.

Exchange Chair updates:

Kristin Witmer reported there are two York area applications for the Arles student exchange. Kristin is talking with Mr. Yake about plane tickets and insurance costs. Based some of the prices on previous years' numbers, this year's trip is tentatively priced at \$1800 per student. Per Kristin's email dated November 8, 2022 the tentative budget is as follows:

flight departing from Philadelphia	\$1300
travel insurance and agent fee	\$75
money towards chaperone's flight	\$130

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(based on 5 students traveling)

YTA family membership	\$40
travel to PHL airport via train	\$30
administrative fee	\$225
(costs for events in York)	
TOTAL	\$1800

*Note that per the YTA Co-Chair meeting on August 9, 2022 (Attending: Hannah Heintzelman, Kristina Spies, Ben Stein, Betty Stein, Doug Stein, Kristin Witmer) the following was discussed as an addition to the 2023 budget ... The Student Co-Chairs suggested \$1000 (\$500 for French & \$500 for German) emergency contingency funds to be spent on students only if needed and \$1000 (\$500 for French & \$500 for German) for student scholarships to be determined by the Student Co-Chairs. This will need to be included for approval with the 2023 budget to be approved in December.

Jennifer Grim reported that she is working to confirm the York adult visit to Arles in the second week of July 2023 with a packet of information for interested people. Jennifer is working on policies, forms, and fees. Jennifer believes there are about 20 members interested.

Hank Groat reported that there is no report on the Adult German exchange.

No other exchange information was provided.

Webmaster:

Ken Krause would like additional stories and photos to post.

Ken will continue to post information regarding upcoming student and adult exchanges as he receives it from the Exchange Co-Chairs.

12th Night House Tour update:

Mary and Larry Homsher reported that plans are coming along for the 2023 12th Night Tour. 7 homes have been secured. St. Paul's Lutheran Church on the corner of South George Street and Springettsbury Avenue will be our base. An after-tour reception is being planned for Box Hill Mansion at 1501 Copper Beech Dr, York, PA 17403. A French embassy dignitary will be attending the reception. Larry is working on getting sponsors to cover expenses. Hoping for great publicity again this year.

Updates/Announcements from Co-Presidents:

- New membership form was included with the last newsletter. Reminder to send in memberships for 2023.
- Hard copies of the Tete newsletter will no longer be printed and mailed out to people unless they choose to pay an additional fee in order to help cut down on costs. Newsletters will still be emailed out to all members.

Other discussion:

A new member, Sierra Rhodes attended the meeting. She is a former YTA student exchange participant. She currently teaches at Spring Grove Area Middle School. She is excited about reconnecting with YTA. We are looking forward to her participation in YTA activities and her help to find other former alumni.

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Meeting adjourned at about 7:52 PM by Betty Stein.

Minutes submitted by:

Betty Stein, Co-President YTA

***** Next Meeting December 14, 2022 – via Zoom at 7PM**