

YORK TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Minutes for Monthly Meeting –October 16, 2024 – YMCA (Loucks Room) 90 North Newberry St. York, PA 17401 and via Zoom

Attendance Officers and Chairpersons Live (unless noted Zoom)

Co-Presidents – Betty & Doug Stein

Vice President – Laura Koebnick (absent)

Secretary – Michele Groat

Treasurer –JaNeene Powell (absent)

Assistant Treasurer – Kyle Groft (absent)

French Adult Exchange Chair – Jennifer Grim (absent)

French Student Exchange Co-Chairs – Kristin Witmer & Kristi Spies (absent)

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

German Student Exchange Co-Chairs – Molly Wiles

12th Night House Tour Fundraising Co-Chairs – Amy Matthews & Jessica Henning (absent)

General Fundraising Chair – POSITION OPEN

Membership/Dues – Brandi Whitman – POSITION OPEN

Marketing/PR – POSITION OPEN

Way/Means – POSITION OPEN

Newsletter – Betty Stein

Webmaster – Ken Krause (absent)

Hospitality – Kristi Spies (absent)

Spring Winetasting Co-Chair – JaNeene Powell (absent)

Compliance Officer – POSITION OPEN

Attendance of Additional Attendees (attached)

Meeting called to order at 6:38pm

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

No questions on the previous minutes. Motion by Amy Matthews to accept minutes. Motion seconded by Joanne Nosoff. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Janeene Powell provided Treasury Information, Balance Sheet indicated Net Worth of \$34,897.69 dated as of September 2024, \$57,122.67 gross profit.

Hank Groat motioned to approve the Treasurer's report. Molly Wiles seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Exchange Chair Updates:

French Student Exchange - students presented their power points to share their exchange experiences to Arles, followed by a question/answer session. The students had a great time sharing their experiences from the visit to Arles and French student visit to York.

There is a concern of who will be running this exchange from France in the future. The previous contact has stepped down. Sophie Rumert who has helped with past exchange programs with Twinning is investigating for a new sponsor.

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German Student Exchange – The visiting German students and their host families attended. YTA students who traveled to LE shared photos and experiences. It was an interesting and fun exchange. Visiting LE students were introduced and shared a few thoughts.

The farewell dinner for the German students will be held October 24th. Please RSVP to Betty and Doug Stein as soon as possible if you plan to attend; 717-880-1404.

German Adult Exchange – The German adult exchange for York YTA members to go to LE is tentatively scheduled for the end of June, 2025 so people can attend the anniversary festival June 28/29th. Hank Groat is working with Ulrich to firm up the dates, who has committed to a firm schedule by November. Hank will then share with the YTA group when a firm schedule has been determined. If you are interested in traveling to LE in June 2025 for this trip please communicate with Hank at hankgroat@yahoo.com.

Future Travel Planning Dates

2025 Summer – YTA adults to visit LE

2025 Summer – Possible YTA French student exchange to Arles and French students to York

2025 Summer – YTA German student exchange to LE

2025 Fall – LE student exchange to York

2026 Summer – Arles adults to visit York for 250th Anniversary & USA/France Connection

12th Night Holiday Tour - Jessica Henning/Amy Matthews

Twelfth Night – Save the date, January 5, 2025. Still working on locking in homes, businesses, churches for tour. Contact Amy Matthews at 717-495-9970 with contacts or suggestions.

Webmaster:

Please submit information to Ken Krause to share on our website at tp148.1@email.com

Meeting Adjourned at 6:57 pm

Meeting was followed by a meet 'n greet social with YTA and LE exchange students and host families.

Minutes submitted by: Michele Groat, Secretary YTA

Next Meeting November 20, 2024

Meeting will be held both live and via zoom

6:30 to 8:30 PM at York YMCA Loucks Room