



**Helena International Affairs Council  
08/19/08 Minutes**

**Welcome and Introductions**

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE	MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE	AFFILIATES IN ATTENDANCE	GUESTS
Jessica Peterson, Chair	Gabe Furshong		
Will Garvin	Pat Murdo		
Elaine Dahl	Alex Rincon		
Mark Annas	Campbell Pryor		

**Welcome and Introductions:** Called to order at 5:22pm. No introductions. Discussion ensued, no business transacted for want of a quorum.

**Review Agenda, Approve Minutes:** Will had changes to 7/15/08 minutes; will need to be approved at a future meeting.

**Report on Website Status (Jesse):** Our website will NOT be hosted as a site outside of the city's server. We will be brought onto their server. Also, we will be part of The City of Helena's general website updating.

There will be training on how to keep the site updated by HIAC members. Jessica and Will plan to attend the initial training on Sept. 2, 2008. David Anson (web developer for the city), will be doing the training.

**HIAC Calender Planning (Fall, Winter, Spring):** Jessica and those in attendance agreed that having individual bios with a picture for each HIAC member could be part of the HIAC site. A Sept. 12, 2008 deadline was also set for this task. Email them to Jessica.

**Division of Duties and Roles for Website Finalizing:**

One activity for each HIAC member is to make contact with various city officials, local organizations to select 10 images for HIAC's site. These images should have an international theme, with a Helenan as a subject. Ideally these images would be in digital format, to be forwarded to David via email. Due date Sept. 12, 2008 for having images to David.

Pat Murdo: Contact Kumamoto Plaza

Elaine Dahl: Alan Peura, Matt Elaesser, Paul Cartwright

Jessica Peterson: Montana Historical Society, Archie Bray Foundation

Mark Annas: Mayor Smith

Alex Rincon: Rep. from Carroll College

Gabe Furshong: Steve Maly

Campbell Brown: Rep. from Ft. Harrison.

**Suggestions for Appointment of New HIAC Member:** Will suggested Judith Knott, a retired school teacher with 37 years experience in the classroom, having taught children from 13 different nations. Will given an application, which he will give to Judith. There are 3 additional individuals. All 3 will be approached with an application. If they choose to submit the application, they can then be considered.

**Upcoming Events and Report on Past Events:** Will attended a luncheon for Arabic-speaking youth. They came to Helena as part of a larger tour of the USA. These are youth who have been identified as potential leaders in their home countries.

**Public Comment:** No Comments. Meeting adjourned at 6:25pm.