

KITAKATA SISTER CITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, 1/15/25 at 6:00 PM
Parks and Rec Admin Office, 29600 SW Park Place

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Kitakata Sister City Advisory Board was held beginning at 6:06 p.m. on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, at the Parks and Recreation Administrative Building. Adrienne Scritsmier called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m., followed by roll call.

PRESENT

Adrienne Scritsmier Sammy Scarpone Jenelle Reid Josh Dalglish Matt Brown

ABSENT

Seiji Shiratori Mike Bohlen

STAFF PRESENT

Erica Behler

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Minutes

Motion: Moved to approve the December 11, 2024 Kitakata Sister City Advisory Board Minutes Motion made by Member Sammy Scarpone. Seconded by Member Jenelle Reid.

Voting Yea:

Chair Adrienne Scritsmier Member Josh Dalglish Member Matt Brown

Voting Nay:

None

Abstaining:

None

Vote: Motion carried 5-7.

BOARD MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

 Each board member present took turns introducing themselves and why they chose to join the board

OFFICER ELECTIONS

1. Chair Selection

Motion: Moved to approve Adrienne Scritsmier as the Chair of the Kitakata Sister City Advisory Board for 2025.

Motion made by Member Sammy Scarpone. Seconded by Member Josh Dalglish.

Voting Yea:

Member Matt Brown Member Jenelle Reid Chair Adrienne Scritsmier

Voting Nay:

None

Abstaining:

None

Vote: Motion carried 5-7

2. Vice Chair Selection

Motion: Moved to approve Sammy Scarpone as Vice Chair of the Kitakata Sister City Advisory Board for 2025.

Motion made by Member Adrienne Scritsmier. Seconded by Member Matt Brown.

Voting Yea:

Member Josh Dalglish Member Jenelle Reid Vice Chair Sammy Scarpone

Voting Nay:

None

Abstaining:

None

Vote: Motion carried 5-7.

BUDGET

- Staff shared that there is a remaining \$23,000 left in the budget through June 30, 2025. Staff also shared that an amount of \$15,000 has been asked for and approved for fiscal year 25-26 spanning July 1, 2025 June 30, 2026. Staff shared that the decrease in budget ask was to keep the board fiscally responsible. With only a student delegation expected in December 2025, and no outgoing Council trip to Japan in fiscal year 25-26, \$15k should be more than adequate.
- Cooking Class: Jenelle Reid shared that she had found an instructor, Jane Hashimawari, who
 was available to teach a Japanese cooking class at the Community Center on May 3. The class
 would focus on a dish called Hiyashi Chuka, a chilled ramen dish. The board discussed that
 they'd like to keep this class free to the community.

Motion: Moved to approve spending up to \$1,000 for a Japanese style cooking class with Instructor Jane Hashimawari.

Motion made by Member Adrienne Scritsmier. Seconded by Member Sammy Scarpone

Voting Yea:

Member Jenelle Reid

Member Josh Dalglish

Member Matt brown

Voting Nay:

None

Abstaining:

None

Vote: Motion carried 5-7.

STUDENT TRIP TIMELINES

- **Dates:** Staff shared that the December 6-16 dates had been approved by Kitakata. They are planning to send 13 students and 2 chaperones.
- **Trip Overview:** Staff and Board members shared an overview of what a student delegation typically entails for the new board members. The board briefly reviewed an itinerary from previous years.
- Host Family Info Nights: The board discussed a timeline of items to be completed before the delegation arrives in December 2026. Due to Staff Liaison, Erica Behler being out on Maternity Leave from May-September, the board wants to get an early start on planning. The board discussed hosting two host-family info nights at the Wilsonville Public Library. Specific dates have not yet been chosen, but the board discussed doing one in August and one in September.

BOARD COMMENTS

- Public Meetings Law: Staff reminded board members to schedule their OGEC Public Meetings Law training. A link to register has been sent via email.
- Mayor and Council Introductions: Board Chair, Adrienne Scritsmier expressed interest in meeting with Mayor elect Shawn O'Neil to introduce the board and future goals. Staff said they would connect with the City Admin team to try and schedule this.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm