Hamilton Mundialization Committee Minutes, March 18, 2009

Wednesday, March 18, 2009, 6:00 p.m.
Room 207, Hamilton Convention Centre

Present: Joan Browning, Heng Chan, Rein Ende, Margaret Firth, Gloria Jackson, Eileen Noronha, Bob Semkow, Pat Semkow

Also Present: Jane Lee, Customer Service, Access & Equity Division
Eddie Lee, Mayor’s Office

Regrets: Anne Termaten, Steve Shanlian, Justina Ku, Rob Winninger

1. CALL TO ORDER
Rein Ende, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA / APPOINTMENT OF RECORDING SECRETARY
Pat Semkow agreed to record minutes for this meeting.

Additional item added: 6.5 Hokkaido Village, Japan

(Bob Semkow/Gloria Jackson)
That the agenda be approved as amended. CARRIED.

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST
None declared.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from February’s meeting

(Gloria Jackson/Margaret Firth)
That the Mundialization Committee minutes of February 18, 2009 be approved as circulated. CARRIED.

5. REPORTS

5.1 Chairman no report

5.2 Treasurer no report
5.3 **Update: Peace Garden – Gloria Jackson**

Work inside the City Hall is going well. We need to keep in contact with the other peace groups to keep our interests known.

5.4 **Update: World Citizenship Award – Joan Browning**

Joan is working with her committee to develop final plans. The concept is to make the award at a Council meeting, with our reception to follow the five-minute time slot. Possible dates: April 29 or May 13. We would have a speaker at our reception, and Joan has identified Thanh Campbell, who represents the charity “War Child”. He was brought from a Vietnamese orphanage to North America during the evacuation, and has recently identified his birth parents.

(Eileen Noronha/Margaret Firth)

That the date of May 13 and the plans for the World Citizenship Award presentation be approved as presented. **CARRIED**

6. **Matters for Discussion**

6.1 **Peace Garden** - already discussed above

6.2 **Racalmuto Visit – June 2009**

We are awaiting further details from the organizers.

6.3 **Sarasota Visit – September 2009**

Anne Termaten is in Sarasota, providing information about Hamilton.

6.4 **Annual General Meeting**

The date will be May 20. The location will be Room 207. Notices need to be mailed a month in advance. We should name a Nominations Committee next meeting. It was agreed that Margaret Firth will Chair the Nominations Committee.

6.5 **Hokkaido Village, Japan**

Rob Winninger clarified the name, and its twinning with Westfield.

7. **Future Meeting Dates:** April 15, May 20 (AGM), June 17

8. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.