



Saint-Germain-en-Laye/Winchester Jumelage Minutes of the Joint Board 10 October 2017 - Williamsburg, Va

1. *Tribute to JC Fortier and Emmanuel Lamy (3 minutes video)*
2. *Changes and updates on both sides*

No change on the US board.

About 100 members, 30 to 40 more active. People move around but participate.

Among participants on this trip:

- Elaine Browning, a founding member
 - Marie-Louise Burke, Boston-Strasbourg Jumelage.
- Winchester and Boston jumelages organize events together

Annette presents this year activities:

- March : Taste of France dinner and annual meeting at Sandborn House
- June : Town Day – W intern in SG
- July : SG interns in W – Bastille Day with State Representative Michael Day – Party at the Galaitsis - Tour of Harvard University by John and of the Arts Museum Arts by Susie
- Sept : International Day at Farmer’s market
- Oct : Virginia trip - Taste of France dinner with presentation 2018 trip to France

Annette thanks those who participated in organizing the Virginia trip, John, the architect of the trip, Tom, Scott, Norman and Sunnie.

Three new members on the French Board:

Caroline Gorse-Combalat - Sylvie Bernard - Khady Sall

110 members in SG.

Marc presents SG activities:

- We have established very good relationships with Sciences-Po SG and the Jumelage has sponsored last Nov a conference about Trump’s election with 3 speakers, including Kevin Arceneaux from the Temple University of Philadelphia.
- We have new members living on the Avenue de Winchester

3. Expo photo Griffin Museum

The exhibition of about 30 pictures is planned next April at the SG Bibliothèque Multimedia. Albert reports that he was advised recently that it would not be possible since the W museum agenda and finance are over committed. Some issues are not settled: language, framing, transportation insurance. When the Griffin Museum is ready, they will get back to us.

4. Interns – French and American

. US interns.

Best timing is before the summer as during that time they work to pay for their studies.

Present candidates are 2 young students. Receiving under majority age interns is possible but needs to be advised some time in advance since it will require a special insurance.

. French interns.

Brigitte, Marie-Hélène and Khady are in charge.

Best timing for SG interns to W is after the 4th of July.

State Representative Michael Day said he will do it forever !

5. Interns website

Izzi intern in SG last June created a website for the interns use. It is now linked to the Jumelage website.

6. New Jumelage website

. US side: website finished. Design by John and work and support by Jeffrey.

. French side: all done by Didier with very efficient support from Jeffrey.

Didier presents the French side and advises that we will soon may be short of memory and need to buy more space.

7. Exchange between music schools

Marc met with SG music school manager. A piano teacher is interested in going to W.

Will be hosted in W. Best timing would be April (US holiday 16/20 – French holiday 14/29).

Teaching to take place after school hours, i.e. after 6 pm.

Flight cost to be supported by French Jumelage/SG city and SG Music school.

Check if other music schools are interested by the project.

8. High School Exchange

No exchange in the last 3 years.

Brigitte will talk with Mrs Baour, English teacher at Jeanne d'Albret Lycée.

Next February 15 or 17 students from WHS will come to SG. A reception in the town hall and a visit to Chantilly will be planned. SG Jumelage will pay for the tickets.

9. 2018 trip in France (15 minutes Power Point presentation)

Michel and his team worked this trip with the idea “to see things you may not see on your own”.

Maximum 54 persons = 1 bus. 26 Americans maximum (Annette).

Presentation to US members at a Taste of France dinner in October (point 2)

10. Plans for 30th Anniversary – 2020

Arnaud Péricard, new mayor, agrees for something big.

Need to set up a task force on both sides.

May involve the French Consulate in Boston, the US Embassy in Paris and other Jumelages.

Work on possible business and University exchanges.

Issues :

. Local elections in March

. Trip dates :

around the 4th of July in the US ?

around the 14th of July in France ?

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