



## Morgantown Sister Cities Commission

Regular Meeting via Zoom

Agenda - Thursday, July 27, 2023  
5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

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### CALL TO ORDER

Commissioners: George Lies, Liz Finklea, Lola Contreras, Helene Friedberg, Lyndie Jones, Sarah Barnes, and City Rep. Joe Abu-Ghannam.  
Meeting Minutes June 29, 2023. Announcements and updates.

### NEW BUSINESS

1. Welcome new Commissioner Sarah Barnes, approved by City Council July 5.
2. Welcome City Rep. Joe Abu-Ghannam to MSCC commission.
3. Register online: Sister Cities International Annual Business Meeting: Durham, North Carolina July 26 - 28, 2023. <https://sistercities.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=1c837221eacb97a08e1abd683&id=6414a03b8c&e=8d302ce647>
4. In Planning: MSCC working on hosting Han Dynasty sculpture relief art exhibit in October-November, request of Xuzhou partner (all).
5. Balance in FY 2022-23 Budget, range of \$700 to \$850 (George estimate).
6. Discuss 2023-2024 Activity Plan & Budget, a bit of brainstorming (all).
7. Operations Items: a) Discuss adjustments in meeting dates, 2023-24, options for In-Person Meetings, every 3 months; b) thank you letters sent to businesses, Cinco de Mayo May 6 event (Liz, Lola); c) Newsletter, Brochure pending.

OLD BUSINESS – *See June 29 Minutes.*

8. No MSCC activities June-July.
9. Pending: WV Coal Assn. Business Meeting with Jiangsu State, Xuzhou Foreign Affairs, China Embassy. (George).
10. *Pending*: Guanajuato U. Request for ESL Certification Faculty member.

11. Completed **City 'reimbursements' for volunteers Mexico event expenses.**
12. Thanks for City Clerk assistance (Heather Carl) on events.
13. Annual dues (paid \$610) to Sister Cities Intl.

Adjournment.

NEXT MEETING – Thursday 5 PM, August 25, 2023. TBA