



- I. Welcome & Introductions: Meeting started at 5:35pm.
- II. GHIC financials
 1. Bank account balance (general): \$12,681.90
 2. Bank account balance (RWISA): \$8,357.53
 3. Total: \$21,039.43
 4. City account: \$11,700
- III. Old Business
 1. YIFF: Film link will remain active through the month of October.
 2. Rudy Wright International Service Award (RWISA): There is public interest in supporting this award. We should be able to reach our goal by the end of 2023.
 3. GHIC subcommittees: Even though we are not meeting between monthly meetings, work is being done as needed (in most cases). Nevertheless, the subcommittee chairs should report at each board meeting.
 4. GHIC website: Website looking good. Grant application dates need to be updated. Should consider 6-month grant cycles (July 1 – Dec 31, and Jan 1 – Jun 30).
 5. Foothills Kids Magazine: The link <https://foothillskidsmagazine.com/> includes the latest edition (Germany). Romania is the next edition (December). Need ideas for the following edition.
 6. NC Honorary Council Public Forum (Nov 2 @ 2pm at PE Monroe). Flyer should be ready in the next couple of days. Current consul attendees are Belgium, Finland, Germany, Guatemala, Japan, Lebanon, Mexico, Nicaragua, Spain, and the United Kingdom. A DEI person will be available to cover this topic. Tracey requested the GHIC to cover the lunch (to-go-lunch from Hickory Station). The HFM will cover any needed hotels. The event will be live-streamed.
 7. Christmas Dinner: Steven to report next month.
 8. Great Decisions Discussions: Two more topics remain.
 9. International Christmas Concert: Event is planned for December 17 in the Drendel Auditorium. Food to follow.
 10. STEM Trek 2023: April 1, 2023 at CSC.
 11. TEDxHickory: April 22, 2023 at Belk Centrum.
- IV. New Business
 1. Hickory Ballet & Performing Arts International Dance Day: April 29, 2023. Anne-Sophie will contact Adrienne for information.
 2. Citizenship in Society Scouting Merit badge: Lucas received this badge recently. Congratulations to Lucas.
 3. WPSCA: 30-year anniversary in October. Time capsule and proclamation planned.
- V. Adjourn: The next meeting is planned for October 17, 2022. Place TBD.
There not being any further discussion items, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm.

Recorder: Hani Nassar

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Mission Statement*

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