

Richmond-Shimada Friendship Commission
Wednesday, April 1, 2020
6:00 p.m. via Conference Call
Dial-In: 510-621-1735 participant code is 1994660

1. Call to Order and Roll Call – ***Commissioners Evan Sirchuk, Maryann Maslan and Forest Borie were on the call. Volunteer Marilyn Leong Lee, applicant Chris Gioia and staff liaison Trina Jackson were also on the call.***
2. Reading and approval of minutes – ***The minutes were reviewed by the commissioners on the call***
3. Input on Agenda – ***no comments***
4. Commissioner Reports
Trina reported that Chis Gioia and Jamie Brown will be appointed at the April 21st City Council meeting.
5. Important Business
 - Feedback from Shimada – ***Shimada would like to cancel the 2020 delegations and requested to send additional ambassadors from Shimada in March of 2021. Richmond is unable to accommodate additional students.***
 - 2021 Youth Ambassador Program
 - Application for Richmond Ambassadors – ***2020 Richmond Ambassadors must inform the commission by September, if they wish to join the delegation in July of 2021. Remaining spots will be offered to new applicants.***
 - Update on Shimada Ambassadors – ***The Shimada Ambassadors will not travel to Richmond in 2020. The regular traveling dates will resume in 2021, if permitted and safe to do so.***
 - Discuss conducting the May meeting via Zoom
 - ***The commission agreed to hold a meeting via zoom.***
6. Good of the Order/Adjournment