

Sister Cities Association of Salisbury and Wicomico

Minutes 03/4/2025

Attending: John Hickman, George Whitehead, Mary Bargion, Carole Champagne and Tom Welsh (via zoom)

1. Minutes from the meeting on 02/04/2025 were approved.

2. Intern

Ella Messick, our fall intern, produced a good-looking Newsletter that included a tribute to Marion Keenan, Information on our Sister Cities flags, a piece on the University of Tartu, and an update on Salisbury, UK.

Our spring intern, Durham Butcher, is working on a newsletter focused on sports in Salisbury/Wicomico County to share with our sister cities.

3. George reported that the theme for April's Third Friday is "Think Green," all things environmental, including environmental resilience, conservation and recycling - such as oysters. John suggested that George contact Shane Hall, an Environmental Sciences Professor, for ideas for our table.

- a. George also said there may be an opportunity for an event for a historic stone that Salisbury, England gave Salisbury, MD.

4. George explained there was an Estonian piano in residence at Wicomico Presbyterian Church. He asked Mary if she might write an article and she said she would. However, his contact has not called him back.

5. There is a MEEC meeting coming up this month at Bertucci's in Columbia, Md.

6. George reported that March 14 is Estonian Day and Ambassador Prik will be on YOUTube. George also talked about the Washington-Estonian Society.

7. Treasurer's report

No change per Gerry Wood

8. . Reports and Updates

Tartu, Estonia: Mental Health Conference in the Fall

Dalian China: No update

Salinas, Ecuador: No update

Salisbury, UK: No update

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Bargion