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Subject: Annual Meeting of Culture of Peace Corporation - January

2012

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Dear Culture of Peace Corporation Board,

Happy New Year!

Thank you for serving on the Corporation Board. This email starts the annual meetings of the Board for 2012.

As you may recall from the By-laws which are attached to this e-mail as filed with the State of Connecticut: "The mission of the Corporation is to promote a world culture of peace, to promulgate a strategy from the culture of war to a culture of peace, to promote the development of Culture of Peace councils or commissions, and to update and correspond with the archives of David Adams at Olin Library, Wesleyan University."

Of course, this could be interpreted as a gigantic task, far beyond our capacities, but I have tried to establish the Corporation to have a minimum of required tasks and a maximum of synergy and mutual support. As stated in the UN Programme of Action for a Culture of Peace in 1999, the key is the promotion of a global movement and the exchange of information which are tasks that are not limited to one person.

The one requirement is the annual meetings, according to the By-laws, as amended last year, "The Chair of the Corporation shall send out a notice of the meeting and a draft agenda to all Directors by e-mail. Each agenda item may include one or more proposed resolutions for corporate action; otherwise, such agenda item shall be for discussion only. The Chair shall indicate that they have two weeks to respond by e-mail or else be counted absent for the meeting. . . Board members shall respond to the Chair with copies to all other Directors within two weeks with suggested amendments to the agenda, and their comments on both the original agenda items and their suggested amendments, including proposed alternative resolutions for action by the corporation. . .

Here is the draft agenda. These items are for discussion only, as I

do not see any need at this time for resolutions that would be voted on.

## Item 1.

- 1) Annual review and internal critique of CPNN and the Bulletin. Lillian and Meg are working on this with David. The review will be about one page in length and will critique the developments during 2011. Hopefully, it will be ready to send out with the follow-up email in two weeks. A more general and long-range discussion of CPNN is available in an article I have recently submitted to the Journal of Peace Education. See http://culture-of-peace.info/vita/2011/journal\_peace\_education.html . Also, a general review of 2011 for CPNN readers is now on line for the January bulletin at http://cpnn-world.org/bulletin/bulletin-12-1.html . The bulletin will be sent out in the next few days. The newly updated files and database of CPNN have been sent recently on CD's to Joe, Lillian and Meg who are responsible for CPNN and the Bulletin.
- 2) Procedure for recruiting new directors The by-laws are clear about the election procedure, but what is not clear is the question of recruitment. Do we wish to specify qualifications for the nomination of new directors? This is not an urgent question at the moment since we have 8 directors (10 is the maximum allowed), and Adam Kaloides has returned after his leave of absence. The terms of Joe Yannielli, Cecile Barbeito, Marcos Estrada, and Jo Lofgren continue until January 2015, while those of Adam, Isabelle Legare, Meg Villanueva and Lillian Solheim continue until January 2013. Of course, they can be reelected as well at that time, if they are willing to continue serving.
- 3. Development of City Culture of Peace Commissions. I recently visited Hamilton, Ontario, with Kiki where we discussed their ongoing initiative for a City Culture of Peace Commission. The project is moving very slowly, and I have no recent news from other cities where initiatives were launched in previous years.
- 4. As for my books, three of them are available for sale at createspace.com and amazon.com, but they did not sell during 2011.

As background, I attach the decisions of the 2011 annual meeting, the strategy document on CPNN and the Bulletin that was prepared at that time, and the annual financial report for 2010. The annual financial report for 2011 will not be prepared until April 2012.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Peace, through struggle and patience,

David

PS. I had the pleasure of visits with Joe, Isabelle and Adam before coming to France for the holidays, and I hope to see others of you in the coming year.

#### attachments:

CPNN strategy February 2011.doc annual financial report for 2010.txt final decisions of annual

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FINAL MAILING

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Subject: Closure of 2012 Annual Meeting of Culture of Peace

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Dear Culture of Peace Corporation Board,

There is only one minor addition to the revised agenda of the annual meeting that was sent out two weeks ago — Jo Lofgren's good comments on the question of recruitment to which I think we can all agree.

Therefore, as Chair, I call the meeting closed. Since there are no items of contention, I write here the final decisions of the meeting which correspond to the revised agenda as mentioned above. Please note that if there were items of contention, we would need to go to voting and it would be the secretary who writes up the final decision, as described in the by-laws in Section 6, item 7.

## Item 1.

1) Annual review and internal critique of CPNN and the Bulletin. Lillian and Meg are working on this with David and we have decided to send out a questionnaire to the Bulletin mailing list instead of making our own review at this time. In any case, a more general and long-range discussion of CPNN is available in an article I have recently submitted to the Journal of Peace Education. See http://culture-of-peace.info/vita/2011/journal\_peace\_education.html . Also, a general review of 2011 for CPNN readers was sent in the January Bulletin which is also on line at http://cpnn-world.org/bulletin/bulletin-12-1.html . The newly updated files and database of CPNN

have been sent recently on CD's to Joe, Lillian and Meg who are responsible for CPNN and the Bulletin.

- 2) Procedure for recruiting new directors The by-laws are clear about the election procedure, but what is not clear is the question of recruitment. I think we can agree to the following suggestion by Jo: "On the note of recruiting new Directors, I would keep the approach flexible. I think the most important things to consider are: (1) Do we think the person will be able to carry out the responsibilities associated with the role? (2) To ensure that the rest of the Board is in agreement by vote or agreement by email." This is not an urgent question at the moment since we have 8 directors (10 is the maximum allowed), and Adam Kaloides has returned after his leave of absence. The terms of Joe Yannielli, Cecile Barbeito, Marcos Estrada, and Jo Lofgren continue until January 2015, while those of Adam, Isabelle Legare, Meg Villanueva and Lillian Solheim continue until January 2013. Of course, they can be re-elected as well, if they are willing to continue serving.
- 3. Development of City Culture of Peace Commissions. Cecile suggests that we look at a review related to this subject at http://escolapau.uab.cat/municipisipau/municipis/practices\_city.pdf . I recently visited Hamilton, Ontario, with Kiki where we discussed their ongoing initiative for a City Culture of Peace Commission. The project is moving very slowly, and I have no recent news from other cities where initiatives were launched in previous years.
- 4. As for my books, three of them are available for sale at createspace.com and amazon.com, but they did not sell during 2011. If you wish to order the books please go to the Createspace rather than Amazon links, since the Corporation receives double the royalties if books are ordered through Createspace instead of Amazon:
  The History of the Culture of War: https://www.createspace.com/3373265
  World Peace through the Town Hall: https://www.createspace.com/3373203
  I Have Seen the Promised Land: https://www.createspace.com/3381493
- 5. Joe Yannielli recommends the following very interesting poll showing that your generation in the United States now favors socialism over capitalism: http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2011/12/29/young-people-socialism n 1175218.html
- 6. The annual financial report for 2011 is attached, along with the checking account summary for 2011 for the corporation account.

Thank you for your faithful involvement with the corporation.

Peace through struggle, and patience,

David

# attachments:

financial report for 2011.txt 2011 checking account.xls