



# Commission on International Relations & Cultural Liaison Encounters

## C.I.R.C.L.E. Commissioners

John Jackson  
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Sarahann Arcila  
*Vice-chair*

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*Treasurer*

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*Social media Specialist  
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Chie Canady

Mary Jean Quiller

Aaron Guest

Akear Mewborn

Samantha Wooden

Merrill Rushin

March 16, 2021

Virtual meeting: Zoom

- Meeting called at 5:18pm.
- Commissioners present: Chie Canady, Eric Spears, Harry Underwood, Merrill Rushin, John Jackson, Sarahann Arcila, and Akear Mewborn
- Minutes from last minutes: Eric moves, Sarahann seconds, motion approved.
- Treasurer's report: Eric says nothing to report.
- Letter from Consul General of Japan:
  - A few days after we mailed our letter to our contacts in Kiryū, we received a letter from the Consul General of Japan in Atlanta, GA.
  - Eric suggested we could send a reply back, thanking them for the letter and helping further bilateral U.S.-Japan relations.
- Tri-City Latino Festival: September 18, 2021
  - We assessed interest in having a table at the festival.
  - Commissioners agreed that it's a good opportunity for visibility and outreach.
  - We'll check with organizers about price for booth, and for joining the parade.
- Fundraising
  - The question was raised if we can fundraise, and does that look like, with us being a government agency.
- Website.
  - We discussed possibly setting up a website for CIRCLE.
  - It would possibly use Weebly or WordPress.
  - We could use it to spotlight different locations
  - It is easier to navigate to a webpage than through Facebook; a webpage can also help with our partners promoting us as well
- Chie says Kiryū children did a video in support of survivors of the Tohoku earthquake for 10th anniversary
- Merrill moved to adjourn. Mary seconded. Meeting ended at 5:45pm.
- Next meeting: April 20 at 5:15pm.