

Commission on International Relations & Cultural Liaison Encounters

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July 18, 2023
Columbus Public Library & virtual on Zoom
Meeting called to order at 6:17pm.
Attendees: John Jackson, Chie Canady, Harry Underwood, Mary Quiller.
Members Mattie Hall and Eric Spears had excused absences.
Report on The Japanese Consul General's visit to Columbus last month.

• Eric Spears led the tour. They visited CSU, the Rotary Club, and Mayor Henderson.

- Kiryū cultural exchange update
 - John Jackson mailed the art back and got in touch with our new contact, Michiko Tsunoda.
 - They are interested in other kinds of cultural exchanges besides art and have asked us for suggestions.
 - Chie Canady suggested that we do virtual meetings with students on Zoom to learn language and culture.
- No news from Wawa 2, Togo.
- Officer changes
 - John Jackson will be retiring from CIRCLE chair.
 - We will meet next month to select a replacement.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:33
- Next meeting August 15.