



San Diego
International
Sister Cities
Association



**San Diego International Sister Cities Association
SanDISCA Board Retreat Highlights
January 30, 2021**

Reports:

Chair Dr Michael Mcquary
SCI California State Representative Kathleen Roche-Tansey
CEO Don Giaquinto

Discussions:

- Item: Friendship Cities: Havana, Cuba; Marseilles, France; TBD, Greece
Friendship City Application issues regarding length and purpose
Recommendations to be presented in March 2021
- Item: City Council Partnerships and Visibility
Don, Kathleen, and McQuary will draft letter for SCI President Leroy Allala
Don to schedule meetings with Mayor Gloria and Councilmembers
SanDISCA will establish presence at International Affairs Board Meeting (March 10th)
- Item: Membership
Membership meeting to be held with recommendations presented in March 2021
- Item: Restaurant Video Project
Tim will present recommendation in March 2021
Seed funding volunteered by Doug (\$600) and McQuary (\$200)
- Item: SanDISCA Exemplary Awards for Outstanding Service
Don will prepare recommendation for the Board

Priorities and Recommendations:

Send special holidays and event notices to Don so he can highlight them
Become more involved with SCI and SoCal
Share Society stories about impact of Pandemic on Society Partnerships
Provide support for membership recruitment and fundraising
Gather and share stories about immigrating to the United States
Create a SanDISCA newsletter
Develop SanDISCA projects and events that promote inter-Society collaboration
Do more SanDISCA events that bring us together and promote cooperation, engagement, and friendship



International Affairs Board

The City of San Diego International Affairs Board's mission is to promote San Diego's global identity, encourage cultural connections, foster international economic competitiveness, and advise the mayor and city council on ways that international issues and policies impact San Diego.

In this advisory capacity, the International Affairs Board is currently focused on developing an international strategy for the City of San Diego, which is intended to guide the city's international engagement over the next 10 years in ways that benefit all San Diegans.

Mission Statement

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Vision Statement

"Enhancing San Diego's Global Identity"

March 10, 2021, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Online Meeting Agenda

I. Call to Order | Welcome

II. Non-Agenda Public Comment

III. Approval of the February 10, 2021 Minutes

IV. Updates from the Mayor's Office | Rita Fernandez, Director of Global Affairs

V. Xenophobia, Racism, and Increasing Acts of Violence Towards Asian and Pacific Islander Communities | Kent Lee, Co-Chair & Founder of the San Diego Asian Pacific Islander Coalition

VI. Combating Hate, Extremism and Bigotry | Tammy Gillies, Regional Director for the Anti-Defamation League of San Diego

VII. ACTION ITEM: International Affairs Board Resolution of Support, International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, March 21, 2021 | Fabienne Perlov

VIII. Update on Board Member Recruitment | Valerie Attisha

IX. Global Youth Ambassadors Program | Daniel Suh

X. International Affairs Board Retreat | Danell Scarborough

XI. Chair's Report

XII. Adjourn