



**INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS BOARD  
AGENDA**

**Thursday, September 8, 2016**

**2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

**North Terraces Room (above Golden Hall), San Diego Concourse, 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101**

- 1. 2:00 Call to Order**
- 2. 2:08 Approval of Minutes:** August 11, 2016
- 3. 2:12 Non-Agenda Public Comment:** Public comment may be made on any non-agenda topic in the Board's area of responsibility. Presenters have two (2) minutes per subject to address the Board. However, comments are limited to no more than three (3) minutes total per subject regardless the number of those wishing to speak.
- 4. 2:15 Speaker:** Marcela Celorio, Consul General of Mexico in San Diego will describe the activities of the Consulate of Mexico and cover future initiatives in San Diego.
- 5. 2:40 Special Information Item:** Marianne Gerdes, Executive Director, Ilan Lael Foundation (the arts and education foundation of artist Jim Hubbell) will discuss "Gateway Conversations" an event focused on the power of art and community-building to foster friendships and understanding among nations.
- 6. 2:50 Special Information Item:** Tom Reeve, President, North County Chapter of the San Diego World Affairs Council will give an update on SDWA activities and review of the 30<sup>th</sup> year anniversary.
- 7. 3:00 Action Items:** None
- 8. 3:00 Discussion Items:**
  - a. Mayor Faulconer's office – Don Giaquinto: Clarification of purpose of Friendship Cities Program including discussion on goals as well as providing resources for advancement of economic development, educational opportunities, scholarship assistance and additional projects and events.
  - b. August Retreat recap and project assignments – Bruce Abrams
  - c. IAB gmail account – Deborah Flores
  - d. Friendship Cities Program:
    - HuzHou, China application reviewed –Bruce Abrams
  - e. Administration of Public Relations for IAB activities – Bob Morris
  - f. Monthly Activity Reports
- 9. 3:20 Board Chair Report:** Bruce M. Abrams –
- 10. 3:20 Announcements:**
- 11. 3:22 Report of member activities:**
- 12. 3:30 Adjournment:** Bruce M. Abrams
- 13. Next Meeting:** October 13, 2016; 2 - 3:30 p.m.

**Board members only: RSVP or if unable to attend meeting: call Adrienne Turner at 619.236.6364 or email: [aturner@sandiego.gov](mailto:aturner@sandiego.gov)**