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Londonderry International Exchange Committee (LIEC)

Monday, December 05, 2011 @ 7PM

Attendees: Reed Clark, Julie Liese, Deborah Shimkonis-Nowicki, Arthur Rugg

Meeting Time: 7-7:45PM

- The LIEC meeting minutes of October 25, 2010 were approved.
- The following LIEC Officers were appointed for 2011-2012
 - Chairperson-Julie Liese
 - Vice Chairperson-Reed Clark
 - Secretary-Helga Kimball
- Julie Liese and Arthur Rugg discussed their 2011 trip to Vologda. Pictures of Vologda, Russia were shown. It is hoped that our Vologda ambassadors, Nina Uibo and Nelly Kunitsina, may visit Londonderry this year or next.
- Pictures were also shown of ballroom dancer Polina Butkina who visited Londonderry in 2007. She is still dancing and competing with a new partner. A visit of ballroom dance children is a possibility and is dependent on interest from a ballroom dance concern such as Arthur Murray who sponsored the 2007 visit.
- Julie Liese reported on communication from Alex Herlihy of Portsmouth, NH with information on the Portsmouth Severodvinsk, Russia connection. There may be possibilities for common interests between LIEC and this Portsmouth connection.
- Julie Liese may have the opportunity to take a grant-writing course which could provide funding for a future LIEC/Vologda exchange.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:45PM-Art Rugg motioned and Deborah Shimkonis-Nowicki seconded.
- The Group enjoyed refreshments and memorabilia from Russia.
- 2012 marks the 20th Anniversary of LIEC!