

This is a short report on my visit to Kraków on June 7th and 8th and Warsaw on June 11-14th.

I did find time to follow up on our sister city objectives. I arranged to meet with about 10 of the 12 UJ (Jagiellonian University) students/Kraków lawyers who are participating in the upcoming law student exchange program to UC Berkeley in August. I made a short presentation to them about the San Francisco-Kraków Sister City relationship, the generous Koret Foundation sponsorship for this program, and our work on UC / UJ cooperation. I also answered questions and distributed some maps, brochures and helpful information about San Francisco and Berkeley.

I met with Law School Dean Pisulinski and Director of the American Law program Michał Bobrzynski. I spent about an hour providing background on our work on this project, and our hopes for the future development of exchange between the law schools and the greater universities. They are both very supportive of our goals with this exchange.

With hopes of attracting some students from other universities, I also reached out while I was in Warsaw to several members of the faculty of the law school of the University of Warsaw about the program.

Finally, I met with Deputy Mayor of Kraków Kazimierz Bujakowski and Agata Mierzynska of the International Cooperation Bureau of the Mayor's office. I gave them an update on our activities, both past and planned. They indicated that there is the potential of EU funding for our exchange. Ms. Mierzynska promised to follow up on this and get me more information on this possibility.

We will set a date for an initial reception in early August for the visiting students.

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