

**Committee Chair:** Joe DeCenzo

**Committee Members:** Kresse Armour, Gerardo Barrientos, Debby Beck, Lucy Berman, Abby Diamond, Scott Froschauer, Dawn Jenkins, Bill Skiles, Corey Stein

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## **Arts, Recreation & Culture Committee Meeting (STARC)**

**Tuesday, January 26, 2021 @ 7:30 PM**

### **MINUTES (Approved)**

**In Attendance:** Joe DeCenzo, Dawn Jenkins, Abby Diamond, Bill Skiles, Lucy Berman, Gerardo Barrientos, Kresse Armour, Debby Beck **GUESTS:** Karen von Gunten, Natalie Babayan, Wendy Otto, Nelly Luboff, Ashley Fuentes, Cindy Cleghorn, Eric Santiestevan, Lauren Dohring, Jaylene Sandoval

1. **Call To Order; Introductions, Approval of Minutes of December 22, 2020:** Joe DeCenzo convened the meeting at 7:44 p.m. The many guests introduced themselves and spoke of their connection to local civic organizations and/or STNC. Several guests attend Verdugo Hills High School and participate in the Leadership class. Joe DeCenzo shared his screen and read through the minutes of December 22, 2020. Kresse Armour moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Lucy Berman seconded. The motion passed 4-0-1.
2. **Public Comments For Non-Agenda Items:** Committee members/Guests: Wendy Otto, the president of the VHHS Thespian group announced their annual benefit cabaret style event for February 5 & 6. The \$5 donation will benefit project Angel Food. Go to "Showtix4you.com."

\*\*\*\*Internet went down in the area. The committee chair and several members we unable to rejoin meeting for approximately 15 minutes. Several members we unable to return. Once we regained a quorum, the meeting continued.

3. **Discussion—Street Banner/Bus Bench Ads Proposal for STNC:** Abby Diamond announced they are getting the ball rolling on the banners. She and the committee with Roger Klemm of Rotary and of the STNC Beautification committee. It is being spearheaded by the STNC Outreach committee. They are seeking a Neighborhood Purpose Grant to pay the artists. They have asked the Sunland Tujunga Shadow Hills Rotary club to be the non-profit receiver. Roger has agreed to complete the forms. The small working group is comprised of Abby Diamond, Karen von Gunten, Cindy Cleghorn, Nelly Luboff and Marjorie Maxon. They are requesting \$2,500 as a budget. There will be a public call to artists with the procedures to follow. Cindy stated their goal is to get it approved within the fiscal year which ends June 30th. The bus bench ads information will be approved Thursday, January 28. These will promote voter registration for the STNC elections. Voting this year will be entirely by mail. Special boxes will be provided to receive the votes.
4. **Update -- McGroarty Arts Center:** Dawn Jenkins: Executive Director, Laurelle Geils has not heard a thing regarding the re-opening of the arts center. Carin Moore, the chair of development will be relocating to Texas. We will miss her exuberance. She has been a vital volunteer.
5. **Update – Redmont Pump Station:** Abby Diamond: It has been more than 2 years with no communication. Nathan Chegley has become the new liaison and has courteously answered Abby's email inquiries. He is hopeful their problems will be sorted out by summer of 2021
6. **Update – Bolton Hall/LLHS:** Kresse Armour announced that the gift shop is still open. Merchandise is available online. The plans of Marsha Perloff to relocate to Riverside, CA have been put on hold at this time. She still currently runs the gift shop.
7. **Discussion/Action; Current and Upcoming Events:** Committee TABLED
8. **Adjourn 9:12 PM**