

Committee Chair: Joe DeCenzo

Committee Members: Paul Armbruster, Gerardo Barrientos, Debby Beck, Lucy Berman, Abby Diamond, Scott Froshauer, Dawn Jenkins, Michelle Ramage, Bill Skiles, Corey Stein

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Arts, Recreation & Culture Committee Meeting (STARC)

Tuesday, August 27, 2019 @ 7:30 PM

McGroarty Arts Center

7570 McGroarty Ter., Tujunga 91042

MINUTES (Approved)

In Attendance: Joe DeCenzo, Gerardo Barrientos, Dawn Jenkins, Bill Skiles, Michelle Ramage, Lucy Berman, Debby Beck, Abby Diamond **Guests:** Karen von Gunten, Ren Yogomaja, Liliana Sanchez

1. **CALL TO ORDER: Introductions; Approval of Minutes/ Joe DeCenzo** convened the meeting at 7:34 pm. The guests present had attended in the past. No introductions necessary. Dawn Jenkins moved to approve the minutes of July 23rd. Michelle Ramage seconded. Minutes were approved 6-0-1 (Lucy Berman abstained).
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** for non agenda items: Karen von Gunten announced LLHS is interested in planning a "Spooky Stories and Games" event at Bolton Hall. They are intentionally not scheduling for Oct. 19th as it would conflict with the Armenian Heritage Festival. Consequently, they are scheduling the Halloween themed event for Oct. 26th from 6-9 pm. Ren Yogomaja is very grateful for the referrals she was given last month to help coordinate a screening of "A.D.D. Man." She attempted to contact Carin Moore of MAC via email and is waiting for a response. Dawn Jenkins offered to help connect the two and also provided upcoming class schedule to assist in the selection of a date for the proposed screening. STNC president Liliana Sanchez stated the STNC is trying to organize a movie in the park night for Nov. 2nd which may provide an opportunity for "A.D.D. Man" to screen there as well. Michelle Ramage stated that Rotary will sponsor the screening with a \$25 donation for printing and provide the event with a certificate of liability. Abby Diamond stated STARC Facebook page is delayed due to admin authority. Existing FB page was established by an unknown entity. Current STARC members are unable to edit. FB group will work to make progress throughout the month. Joe announced "Poetry and Picnic" event is scheduled for Aug. 30th from 6-8 pm in Little Landers Park.
3. **UPDATE:** Pinewood Elementary School Mural: **Gerardo Barrientos:** stated priming of the main wall may occur this week. Dawn confirmed the priming was in fact complete as of the time of this meeting. That being the case, volunteers may be needed by the end of the month.
4. **UPDATE:** McGroarty Arts Center: **Dawn Jenkins:** stated we had an enormous "Burgers, Beer and Band" event. Liliana enjoyed chauffeuring the cart STNC donated and says it was non-stop for 2-1/2 hours. Registration begins on Sept. 16th and classes are scheduled to start on Sept. 30th. The caretaker position vacated by Connie Howells has not been filled yet. The apartment is currently being refurbished.
5. **Rotary Club:** Grant Proposal: **Michelle Ramage:** is working with DCA to expand the parade to a festival as well. They are working hard to complete an application on time to request funding for "Hanukkah In The Foothills." This requires venue confirmation long in advance. If the venue changes, this will require the filing of an amendment that is time consuming. Viability of this grant will need to be evaluated.
6. **DISCUSSION:** Hanukkah In The Foothills: **Lucy Berman, Committee:** Karen von Gunten may not be in town the week of Dec. 29th and hence unavailable to organize. Venue options are still being considered. Current options are Tierra Del Sol, New Hope Church (Foothill and Oro Vista), Church at Valmont and Samoa (Pastor John Aitken). Organizing group will meet at Joselito's on Sept. 9th at 7:00 pm

Adjourned: 9:12 pm