

Committee Chair: Joe DeCenzo

Committee Members: Gerardo Barrientos, Debby Beck, Lucy Berman, Joanna Gates, Dawn Jenkins, Corey Stein, K.T. Travers*, Karen von Gunten, Michelle Wadler*

*Denotes STNC board member Quorum = 6

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Arts, Recreation & Culture Committee Meeting (STARC) Special Meeting, Friday, July 29, 2022 @ 7:30 PM Pacific Time (U.S. and Canada)

Minutes (Draft)

In Attendance: Joe DeCenzo, Dawn Jenkins, Lucy Berman, Gerardo Barrientos, Michelle Wadler, Joanna Gates (6). Guests: Cindy Cleghorn.

- 1. Call To Order; Introductions, Approval of Minutes of June 28, 2022:** Due to several technical issues with the Zoom account, committee chair, Joe DeCenzo convened the meeting at 7:54 p.m. As no first time guests were present, introductions were waived. Joe read through the minutes of June 28th. Michelle Wadler moved to approve the minutes as written. Gerardo Barrientos seconded the motion. The motion to approve the minutes passed 5-0-1.
- 2. Review mission statement; Code of Conduct; Quorum requirements:** Joe DeCenzo reviewed STARC Committee's mission statement as indicated on the STNC website. He welcomed any members to modify or update at any time in the future. He also reminded all members to adhere to the code of conduct as presented by the city and the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.
- 3. Public Comments/Updates for Non-Agenda Items:** There were no public comments.
- 4. Review:** 4th of July Parade: Joe participated in the parade as a member of Village Poets. He was thrilled to see some many people lining Foothill Blvd. in attendance. His entry included a finely decorated convertible Sebring that carried Alice Pero, the Poet Laureate down the parade route.
- 5. Discussion:** Participation in "National Night Out," August 2, 2022. Joe will begin setting up canopy at 5:00 p.m. Gerardo will meet Joe at Little Landers park to help with set up.
- 6. Update -- McGroarty Arts Center:** Joanna Gates stated that the MAC board will meet next week to discuss the possibility of presenting "Burgers, Beer and Band" event. They are still waiting for the Department of Cultural Affairs to approve their proposal. Surveyors for the parking lot restoration have reviewed the site and taken information back to the engineers. Gerardo inquired about the possibility of MAC providing him some wall space to produce a mural of McGroarty. Joanna stated she would extend his request to the board.
- 7. Community project updates:** Gerardo Barrientos (Pinewood mural), Michelle Wadler ("Phoenix Rising"). Gerardo is planning a presentation/ unveiling of the Pinewood Elementary mural soon. He will get back to the committee with a tentative date. There is still an issue with a leaking drainpipe that is causing the paint to peel. Those involved have been notified and they are seeking a resolution to the problem. Michelle will take the frame design for the "Phoenix Rising" mosaic to Principal Chavez. She will also put the metal work out to bid.
- 8. Discussion:** upcoming and future events, Committee. Discussing proposed bus bench ads, committee will assemble three slogans with accompanying photos/artwork prior to submitting a request for funding to the STNC. There was discussion among the members about establishing a monthly guest speaker series. Dawn Jenkins moved to have Joanna Gates provide an artistic presentation on August 23rd. Gerardo seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-1. Dawn also stated that Jack Pullman would be an interesting speaker. An invitation will be extended to him. **Adjourn: 9:39 P.M.**