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**Committee Members:** Gerardo Barrientos, Debby Beck, Lucy Berman, Joanna Gates, Dawn Jenkins, K.T. Travers\*, Michelle Wadler

\*Denotes STNC board member Quorum = 5

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

**Tuesday, December 27, 2022 @ 7:30 PM** Pacific Time (U.S. and Canada)

### MINUTES (DRAFT)

IN ATTENDANCE: Joe DeCenzo, Gerardo Barrientos, Michelle Wadler, Joanna Gates, Dawn Jenkins, Lucy Berman

GUESTS: Cindy Cleghorn, Steve Zapp, Alma, Jennifer Zapp, Lionel Mares (Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council) Mark G.

1. **Call To Order; Introductions, Approval of Minutes of November 22, 2022:** Committee Chair, Joe DeCenzo convened the meeting at 7:37 p.m. He introduced to the committee for the benefit of the new guests. He then read through the minutes of the prior months meeting. Michelle Wadler moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Dawn Jenkins seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.
2. **Review mission statement; Code of Conduct; Quorum requirements:** Joe DeCenzo reminded the committee that STARC does not engage in gossip. It also does not tolerate disparaging comments about any of the protected classes. Further information about the code of conduct can be found at [www.empowerla.org](http://www.empowerla.org). Our quorum requirement is 5.
3. **Public Comments/Updates for Non-Agenda Items:** Lionel Mares from SVANC stated that he has visited other N.C. meetings. He is inspired by the things he has seen at STNC meetings and is looking to collaborate with us and others to improve the quality of life in CD6 and the surrounding area. [www.lionel.mares@svanc.com](mailto:www.lionel.mares@svanc.com). Jennifer Zapp mentioned that she and her husband, Steve, truly enjoyed the Hanukkah in the Footills event on December 19<sup>th</sup>. Lucy Berman, HITF producer was amazed by the turn out for the event. The event has grown now that we are post-pandemic. She plans to approach the Jewish Federation for additional support for the following year. Joe DeCenzo announced the Village Poets will present an event at 4:30 p.m. on January 29<sup>th</sup> at Bolton Hall Museum. Cindy Cleghorn stated the STNC took the month of December off. The NC's meeting will resume on January 11, 2023.
4. **Guest Speaker Presentation:** Artist Jennifer Zapp shared a powerpoint presentation highlighting watercolor images she created. She spoke of her high school art teacher who showed her there were different paths available to women beyond teaching and nursing. Later in life, she immersed herself in art classes and traveled to such places as Belize, Prague and Norway. Milford Zornes was a great influence on her. She is inspired by his quote when asked why he paints? The answer is "I paint to learn. Not learning is not to be alive. Painting is my way of learning, of examining my world."
5. **Update: McGroarty Arts Center:** Joanna Gates stated the arts and crafts faire proved a good re-opening event for the arts center. If food preparation restrictions are removed, next year's event should be a large success. Classes are resuming January 9, 2023.
6. **Discussion: Future Guest Speaker Bookings:** The committee will approach Marsh Drucker, and Sheri Garwood to gauge their interest in presenting.
7. **Community project updates:** Gerardo Barrientos (Pinewood mural), is in recess until after the holidays. Bus Bench are still in development. The third design will be discussed in January.
8. **Discussion/Review Past and Future events** TABLED
9. **Adjourn 9:00 p.m.**