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

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 @ 7:30 PM

(In-person) McGroarty Arts Center  
7570 McGroarty Terrace, Tujunga 91042

### MINUTES (Draft)

In Attendance: Joe DeCenzo, Joanna Gates, Dawn Jenkins, KT Travers, Lucy Berman, Debby Beck GUESTS: Katie O'Brien, Joni Anderson

- Call To Order; Introductions, Approval of Minutes of March 28, 2023:** Committee Chair, Joe DeCenzo convened the meeting at 7:49 p.m. Katie O'Brien introduced herself. She works for CV Weekly and came as a suggestion to report on cultural events in our area. She has two daughters who danced with local choreographer, Tobi Columbus. Joni Anderson is very interested in art and chose to attend the meeting to learn more. Joe read through the minutes of the March meeting. Debby Beck moved to approve the minutes as corrected. KT Travers seconded. The motion passed 6-0.
- Review mission statement; Code of Conduct; Quorum requirements:** Joe referred the attendees to the website for D.O.N.E. [www.empowerla.org](http://www.empowerla.org).
- Public Comments/Updates for Non-Agenda Items:** KT proudly announced that S-T Forward cleared 200 feet of invasive plants for the "Earth Day" workday at the Pali and Foothill Blvd. median. Joe mentioned the Village Poets is featuring Alice Pero and Brendon Constantine on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 p.m. at Bolton Hall.
- Update: Apperson Elementary School Mural Project,** TABLED
- Update: McGroarty Arts Center:** Joanna Gates reported the ceramics show is scheduled to begin June 3<sup>rd</sup> with a 6:00 p.m. reception. Submissions are being accepted through May 10<sup>th</sup>. MAC is still seeking a family or person to fill the position of live-in caretaker.
- Discussion:** Future Guest Speaker Bookings: Sheri Garwood is currently booked for June. Dawn Jenkins will approach Beliana Popova to see if she is willing to speak.
- Update:** Foothills Pride Event, KT mentioned plans are developing for the June 3<sup>rd</sup> event. Joe will update the organizers of S-T Forward about bringing "The Hodads" to perform.
- Community project updates:** Gerardo Barrientos (Pinewood mural), showed Dawn and David Jenkins the progress of the wall. He recommends that he delineate the progress at the area of the damage and complete the work up to that point. Bus Bench Ads: KT moved to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> ad with Gerardo's mural with the STNC and STARC logos overlaid. Joanna seconded. The motion passed 5-0. "Phoenix Rising" mosaic: KT informed us her meeting with Ricardo Flores of district 7 was postponed.
- Discussion/Review** Past and Future events: Joe was curious if there was any news regarding the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. He will contact a member of the S-T Shadow Hills Rotary club for any updates.
- Adjourn: 9:16 p.m.**

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