

Committee Chair: Joe DeCenzo

Committee Members: Gerardo Barrientos, Debby Beck, Lucy Berman, Scott Froschauer, Dawn Jenkins, Eric Santiestevan, Bill Skiles, Corey Stein, K.T. Travers*, Michelle Wadler*

*denotes

STNC board member Quorum = 5



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Arts, Recreation & Culture Committee Meeting (STARC)

Tuesday, November 23, 2021 @ 7:30 PM Pacific Time (U.S. and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting Online <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87245332568>

MINUTES (DRAFT)

In Attendance: Joe DeCenzo, Gerardo Barrientos, Corey Stein, Michelle Wadler, K.T. Travers, Lucy L. Berman. **Guests:** Cindy Cleghorn, Joanna Gates

- 1. Call To Order; Introductions, Approval of Minutes of October 26, 2021:** Committee chair, Joe DeCenzo convened the Zoom meeting at 7:38 p.m. Guest, Joanna Gates introduced herself to the committee. She is an instructor at the McGroarty Arts Center. She is currently serving as vice-president of the Friends of McGroarty board of directors. Joe read through the minutes of the October meeting. Gerardo Barrientos moved to approve the minutes as written. Corey Stein seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.
- 2. Public Comments/Updates for Non-Agenda Items:** Joe announced the “Hanukkah in the Foothills” event is scheduled as an “in-person” (as opposed to Zoom) event December 5, 2021 at New Hope Community Church in Sunland. He expressed his gratitude to Joanna Gates on behalf of the McGroarty Arts Center for their support and generous use of their Constant Contact email to promote the event.
- 3. Update -- McGroarty Arts Center:** Joanna Gates stated she will be substituting for Dawn Jenkins and presenting the report for MAC. In lieu of the Chili Bowl/Holiday Craft Faire, Joanna announced that MAC will participate in the craft fairs at both Bolton Hall (11 a.m.-4 p.m.) and Monte Verde Ranch (11 a.m.-3 p.m.). Among other items, they will sell original ceramic bowls filled with candies and wrapped with cellophane. Joanna also announced current executive director, Kylie Ruan is excited and motivated to push forward with any instruction, classes and events as they become available through Cultural Affairs.
- 4. Discussion/Action: STNC Funding Requests:** Folding chairs for McGroarty Arts Center (MAC); Joe DeCenzo displayed photos of a black vinyl folding chair that meets the requirements of McGroarty. He will pursue a neighborhood purpose grant (NPG) to help acquire the funding. The approximate cost for 100 chairs and STNC gift labels is \$2,800.
- 5. Community project updates:** Gerardo Barrientos announced he and his volunteer artists are primarily working weekends on the Pinewood Elementary mural. The adjacent neighbors are very supportive and protective of their new mural. Nelly LuBoff of the Beautification Committee is working with the principal to acquire a lift for the hard-to-reach areas. Michelle Wadler is in contact with principal Chavez regarding installation of “Phoenix Rising.” He is still waiting for school board to respond.
- 6. Holiday Event Updates:** Corey Stein announced she will be displaying her artwork at Bolton Hall Museum December 4th from 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Discussion regarding STARC Committee meeting date in December. **Motion:** Gerardo moved to keep the regular meeting date of the fourth Tuesday which will be December 28th. K.T. Travers seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

- 7. Adjourn: 8:50 p.m.**

