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**Arts & Education and Parks & Community Improvement Committees
JOINT MEETING MINUTES**

Time: 6:00 PM, Monday, February 23, 2015

Kittridge Elementary School, 13619 Kittridge Street, Valley Glen, CA 91401

1. Call to order at 6:10PM

Roll Call:

Present: Linda Wehrli, A&E Committee Chair, Alan Aklyan, GVGC Youth Rep, Mickey Jannol, A&E Committee member, Sloan Myrick, Parks & CI Committee Chair, Arine Simon, Parks & CI Committee member, Karen Klaparda, Parks & CI Committee member.

Guests: Carlos Ferreyra, President GVGC, Michel Stevens, The Museum of the San Fernando Valley and Horses Across the Valley marketing chair, Lisa Novick, Theodore Payne Foundation public liaison, Devin Waddle, President, Erwin Street Elementary PTA, Mandy Pankowski, Erwin Street Elementary PTA member.

Excused Absence: Malky Kertis, A&E committee member

2. General Public Comments on non-agenda items: None

3. Board Member Comments on non-agenda items: None

4. Discussion with motion to the board to approve having The Theodore Payne Foundation Speakers Bureau present educational programs to Greater Valley Glen elementary schools and stakeholders on native plants and drought strategies. Their program includes handouts and educational materials.
 - A. Motion to request board approval for the Theodore Payne Foundation Speakers Bureau presentation with an expenditure for the presentation and promotional flyers for two programs: (1) No more than \$250.00 for the Erwin Street Elementary School presentation, and (2) No more than \$2,500.00 for the Greater Valley Glen Stakeholders.**
 - B. Public comment – members of the Erwin Street PTA were on board.
 - C. Committee member comment – both committee members felt this would be a great outreach program.

5. Guest presentation by Lisa Novick, public liaison, Theodore Payne Foundation, on the vital role native plants play in our ecosystem.
 - A. No Motion
 - B. Public comment
 - C. Committee member comment – members remarked about how little they knew about the importance of planting native plants, and appreciated the program.

6. Discussion to finalize the location for the permanent horse statue installation and motion to board. Locations under consideration are:
 - A. Motion to request board approval of the committee's 3 location recommendations for the horse statue so that permits and any other requirements are met:**
 1. Median at Burbank Blvd. and Coldwater Canyon Blvd.
 2. Tujunga Wash at Oxnard and Coldwater Canyon Blvd.
 3. Tujunga Wash at Victory Blvd. and Ethel Ave.
 - B. Public comment
 - C. Committee member comment – members discussed and came up with the order of preference.

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7. Discussion on strategy for transporting the horse to GVGC schools as part of their history curriculum. Considering a trailer, vehicle, driver and docent volunteers along with insurance and other liability concerns.
A. Motion to request board approval for an expenditure for horse trailer rental or purchase of no more than \$750.00 to transport the horse statue to schools and community meetings for Outreach and educational purposes.
B. Public comment
C. Committee member comment – Carlos Ferreyra will research horse trailer sources.
8. Update by the Museum of the San Fernando Valley advising they are vetting anti-graffiti coating companies for the horse statue. Michael Stevens will coordinate with A&E Committee member, Alan Aklyan on date, time and location so the event can be photographed and filmed for the documentary.
A. No Motion
B. Public comment
C. Committee member comment
9. Discussion about sponsoring or co-sponsoring with the VGNA, a series of Educational Shows performed by Enrichment Works at a Greater Valley Glen elementary school. <http://www.enrichmentworks.org/>
A. Motion to request board approval for expenditure to support one educational program performed by Enrichment Works at a Greater Valley Glen elementary school to be determined, including promotional flyers, of no more than \$500.00.
B. Public comment
C. Committee member comment
10. Discussion to finalize the plaque wording and logos with motion to the board to approve was tabled until the next committee meeting.
A. No Motion
B. Public comment
C. Committee member comment
11. Median beautification discussed with both committee members and Lisa Novick of the Theodore Payne Foundation. We will work with the TPF to improve Greater Valley Glen medians.
A. No Motion
B. Public comment
C. Committee member comment
12. Best landscape Program will be tied in with the Theodore Payne Foundation educational programs as one incentive to get stakeholders on board with replacing their home landscaping with native plants.
A. No Motion
B. Public comment
C. Committee member comment
13. Adjournment 8:04PM

The next meeting TBD