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Arts & Education Committee MINUTES 6:30 PM Monday, June 29, 2015

Laurence School Performing Art Center 6456 Woodman Ave., Valley Glen, CA 91401

Call to Order AT 6:35PM 1.

Roll Call:

2.

Present: Linda Wehrli, A&E Committee Chair, Alan Aklyan, GVGC Youth Rep, Mickey Jannol, A&E Committee Absent: Malky Kertis

- Guests: Bettina Gatti and Bruce Woodside, Master Gardeners, Serenity Garden General Public Comments on non-agenda items: None
- 3. Board Member Comments on non-agenda items: None
- 4. Update on HATV horse temporary storage plans.
 - A. No Motion
 - B. Public comment
 - C. Committee member comment:

Linda Wehrli confirmed that the SFV Museum will transport and store our horse at their museum until we are able to secure a final location for it.

Mickey Jannol mentioned his contacting Dr. Erika Endrijonas, president of LAVC regarding having the horse at Valley College. Linda confirmed she emailed Dr. Endrijonas the weight and dimensions of the statue per Mickey's request.

- 5. Update on the Unveiling Party for the HATV horse statue at the SFV Arts & Cultural Center.
 - A. No Motion
 - B. Public comment
 - C. Committee member comment:

Linda Wehrli handed out invitations to the SFV Museum's June 30, 2015 event for the HATV horse.

Alan confirmed he will be there with the PBS film personnel to video tape the event since he is unable to access to Grant High School's video equipment during summer break.

- Report on the GVGC signs painted for the Serenity Garden. 6.
 - A. No Motion
 - B. Public comment
 - C. Committee member comment:

Linda Wehrli delivered the signs to Carlos Ferreyra for storage. Perhaps Erwin Street School might be able to reuse them.



- 7. Introduction and report by the Master Gardener volunteers at the Serenity Garden, Bettina Gatti and Bruce Woodside.
 - A. No Motion
 - B. Public comment:

Bruce Woodside presented a slide show on his laptop, detailing the good work being coordinated at the Serenity Garden by the master gardeners and students. Names of various LAUSD teachers and contacts were provided. Discussion held on the importance of establishing a joint school/community partnership to regulate, maintain, and seek additional funding for the garden in order to ensure its future as a valued educational resource and to equitably share in the harvest of a well-managed and productive commons.

C. Committee member comment:

Mickey Jannol commented on the following:

C1. He reiterated his concern that the stage came about in 2009 from a \$10,000 grant from AARP from one of its funds designed to promote interaction between local schools and the community. There was a big ceremony for the receipt of the grant and it was announced that the funds would be used for the stage construction. He strongly recommended that Grant HS document the findings to support the demolition vs. repair of those stages. Do they pose a real safety hazard to students, staff and faculty or do they just need minor repairs to be functional?

C2. He reminded about the good work Gladys Aldana did with the Serenity Garden, overseeing many improvements including the planting of milkweed for the Monarch butterflies and providing a place for their chrysalis to emerge.

Linda Wehrli will reach out to Myrna Fleming of the Jack London School and Dan Brady, Complex Plant Manager at Grant HS, to introduce them to our committee and invite attendance.

8. Adjournment 7:40PM

The next meeting: July 27, 2015, Ulysses S. Grant High School, Career Office, 13000 Oxnard Street, Valley Glen, CA 91401