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- Committee Members -Alan Aklyan Malky Kertis Mickey Jannol

Arts & Education Committee MINUTES 6:30 PM Monday, July 27, 2015 Ulysses S. Grant High School, Career Office 13000 Oxnard Street, Valley Glen, CA 91401

1. Call to Order AT 6:40PM Roll Call:

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

Guests: Diane Johnson-Allen, Hands4Hope LA, Myrna Fleming, Jack London Garden, Robin McClamb-Vaughn, Books Alive

2. General Public Comments on non-agenda items:

Robin McClamb-Vaughn, Books Alive introduced herself and her organization. Books Alive provides theatrical assembly focusing on history lessons, bringing history to life for K-5 students. Four actors present scripted performances up to 4 times per month. The \$750 program fee includes the performance plus arts and crafts curriculum that correlates with the program, partnering with the teacher to enhance the educational experience. **Robin promised to send a performance DVD to Linda Wehrli for committee review.**

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

4. Video presentation by Myrna Fleming on the Jack London Garden program.

Myrna clarified there are two distinct schools at Jack London Peace Academy: 1. CDS and 2. Continuation High School. A SEEDS grant has been procured for their CDS with one pending for their Continuation High School. They are glad to credit the GVGC for all assistance provided, on their website, newsletters, etc.

- A. No Motion
- B. Public comment
- C. Committee member comment:

Mickey Jannol indicated he fully supports the Jack London School garden. Mickey recommends we ask President Carlos Ferreyra to write a letter of support from the GVGC supporting the SEEDS grant for Jack London continuing education school. To further consider supporting Jack London's garden project, Mickey recommended that we agendize (for next month's A & E Committee meeting) discussion of a Neighborhood Purpose Grant for Jack London School.

On a separate note, Mickey reiterated his frustration with Grant HS not yet providing an answer to emails asking whether Grant would consider salvaging the wood stages provided to Serenity Garden by the \$10,000 AARP grant.

5. Video presentation by Diane Johnson-Allen, Hands4Hope LA.

They serve low income single families providing homework assistance and art projects for kids and career counseling and film education to teens. Their annual fundraiser is a jazz festival. Their facility is on Otsego Street near Lankershim in NoHo. They need \$4,800 to pay professional teachers to work with their kids. Linda Wehrli will check with Carlos to confirm if they are considered to be in Greater Valley Glen or North Hollywood as their business card indicates. If they are in NoHo, perhaps the NoHo City Council would be the correct contact to help them.

- A. No Motion
- B. Public comment
- C. Committee member comment:
- 6. Adjournment 7:30PM

The next meeting: Monday, August 24, 2015, Kittridge Elementary School, 13619 Kittridge Street, Valley Glen 91401.

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