

**Save Our Kids' Music (SOKM)**  
Minutes January 14, 2020, 7:00 PM

- Welcome and Introductions
  - Thank you to Dorothy for refreshments
  - Meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm
  - Karen Gatchel, Ricard Gatchel, Nikki Dossman, Nance Chaubell, Cathy Crook, Peggy Smith, Dorothy Hanchey, Kendra Abernathy, Joan Rust, Rene Godina and Serena Villalobos were present.
- Approval of SOKM Minutes and Agenda
  - November 12, 2019 Minutes- Karen moved to accept, Cathy seconded, motion passed.
  - January 14, 2020 Agenda- Karen moved to accept, Cathy seconded, motion passed.
- Happenings
  - PVSD Music Department Update
    - Las Colinas Music via email by Reese Copsey - LCS will not be participating at SCSBOA Festival. Bands have just finished returning and sorting holiday music. Now onto Springtime music. Still 2 classes of 6<sup>th</sup> grade- Beginning and Intermediate and 3 levels of 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> graders working ahead in the method book and just starting to move to sheet music for May concerts. Advanced Band will perform at Camarillo Library Solo/Ensemble Concert in March.
    - Monte Vista Music via email by Trish Copsey- MVS will not be participating at SCSBOA Festival. Hope everyone had a wonderful vacation. In the process of auditioning students to move into various classes- Intermediate Band to Advanced Band, wheel Beginners to the full year Beginning Band. Should have that figured out by the end of the week. Will be collecting instruments from the current 6<sup>th</sup> grade elective wheel class next Wednesday and meet with my new group of Beginning students the following week, start of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade elective wheel class will also be rotating at the quarter and I hope to have the keyboard lab up and running by the end of February. Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced Band students are starting to work on music for Spring performances. The Advanced Band's next scheduled performance will be their Solo/Ensemble Concert at the Camarillo Library on March 17<sup>th</sup>.
    - Los Primeros School of Arts and Sciences Music – Rene Godina. Sheet music for Spring Concerts.
    - Pleasant Valley School of Engineering and Arts Music – Rene Godina. Sheet music for Spring Concerts. Setup Mariachi performance for City Council on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Also, possibility of Mariachi Festival in April. We received Mariachi Band instruments just prior to Winter Break.

- Santa Rosa Technology Magnet School Music – Rene Godina. Sheet music for Spring Concerts.
- TK-3 General Music via email by Karine Szakos-3<sup>rd</sup> graders will be attending the New West Symphony in Thousand Oaks on 3/18/20 in the interactive Symphonic Adventures program “The Orchestra Moves.”
- PVSD Youth Arts Academy (YAA) Music Update
  - YAA Beg & Int Strings, Orchestra by Rene Godina- There were 3 students that auditioned for the VCMSHB. All are practicing for March Festival and recruiting tour. Violins will be auditioning for seating placements.
  - YAA Beg, Guitar and Beg Ukulele via note from Mauricio Giron- after completing working the first portion of our book that focuses on chords, the students are now beginning to play individual pitches on their instruments as they read the notes.
  - Intermediate Guitar via note from Mauricio Giron- they are finishing book 2 and continuing to work on guitar theory. This year. This year Mr. Godina and I have decided to collaborate on a piece together for our bus tour.
  - Ensemble via note from Mauricio Giron- Students are composing a song with an established chord progression, working on stage craft skills and prepping pieces for future performances.
  - YAA The Off Beats via email by Reese Copsey- Off Beats has returned Holiday music binders and are just starting to explore the music library for Spring music. They will be performing at Newbury Park HS Jazz Festival on Friday March 20<sup>th</sup>.
  - PVSD Chorus – Joan Rust & Vincent Dominguez – Joan reported Choir performed at St. Mary Magdalen Church and at the Camarillo Christmas Parade. Jonas Lee returned full time at work, is unable to help. Emma has been working with Vincent for a few weeks and will be available for PVSD.
- December Events Recap- MV was moved from park to MV Gym- went well but too packed. Will need to check a place and money for chairs for Spring Concerts. Hot Chocolate- went different for every concert night. 1<sup>st</sup> day only 12 cups of hot coco given away after the SOKM volunteers spent most of the concert night preparing hot water and cocoa mix to serve for the concert goers. Next couple of concerts we ordered from CBTL crafts of hot cocoa costing \$70 each with 2 crafts needed for each concert. CBTL donated one craft and SOKM paid for one. For next year, we will need to budget \$450 for all concerts. Consensus was to distribute large candy canes instead of hot chocolate and mini candy canes for all night concerts. We will also need to find a Spanish speaker for announcements.
- Honor Group Results via note from Betty Weyek-
  - For Ventura County High School auditions were held 1/8/20. Middle school auditions were held 1/14/20.

Honor Band will perform on Sunday February 9<sup>th</sup> at Ventura High School at 2 pm. ACHS students that made the Honor Band: David Kwon- Clarinet, Edison Hanchey- Clarinet, Emily Chang- Flute, Lucas Chomiller- Tenor Sax, Jacob Speth- Percussion, Riley Doane- Percussion, Michael Messier- Percussion

- All State Honor Bands will perform in Fresno, Ca. Making the Jazz Band from ACHS was Andre Burton- Percussion performing 2/23/20. Making the Symphonic Band from ACHS was David Kwon- Clarinet performing 2/21/20.
- SCSBOA Middle School Honor Orchestra will perform in Garden Grove, Ca. Making the Orchestra was Rosemarie Umipig- Violin performing January 17<sup>th</sup>- 19<sup>th</sup>.
- SCSBOA Festival @ RCHS PAC -Karen- ACHS will be hosting the Festival. Dates Wednesday 3/25 to Saturday 3/28. Dates will be split between ACHS/RCHS/SOKM Boosters. Through unanimous vote, SOKM will be volunteering Wednesday night 3/25 to start at 4:00 pm. ACHS will provide list of jobs for volunteers, ex: runners for students to band room, warm up rooms, clinics. 40 volunteers will be needed for each session. SOKM will be selling pre-packaged foods.
- PVSD Music Department and YAA Newsletter by Dorothy Hanchey- will include Library Concerts for 3/10 and 3/17.
  
- SOKM Finances – Crystal Casas
  - FY 2019-20 Financials by Karen- Benevity has matched Deborah Kuske's donation, a previous PVSD Board Member. Not yet reimbursed for Mariachi instruments
  - Reconciled Statements by Richard Gatchel- are all reconciled through December 2019.
  - FY 2018-19 Taxes by Richard Gatchel- IRS returned missing some boxes to be checked, then were sent back.
  - MagicJack Phone Renewal completed for 2020 – Karen Gatchel
  
- SOKM Donations
  - Grant Requests 2020 by Karen Gatchel- will request four Trumpets. For 2019/20 school year.
  - After many years of requesting remainder of balance from PVSD from SOKM donations after the school year, we received a report indicating a surplus to be used for future expenses.
  - Restaurant Nights by Serena Villalobos- we will request Mr. Softee for our MV/LC Spring concerts in May. Current dates 5/15 and 5/16 or times may change. Will need to confirm with Betty Weyek. Will need to set up a date for Topper's Pizza Fundraiser for 2020.
  - Jamba Juice Cards – Nance Chaubell Sold half of left over Jamba Juice cards at the Holiday Concerts.
  - Ask Letter by Karen Gatchel- This was tabled until later in 2020

- Thank You Letters will be done by Peggy Smith. All the Thank You letters for 2019 have been completed.
- SOKM Board Stuff
  - PTA Roundtable by Karen Gatchel- OUSD has requested to align the school calendar with the college schedule. Will be up for vote on 1/14/20 for 2021 Fall Semester.
  - Disneyland April 21<sup>st</sup>- Chaperones will need to fill out a PVSD Volunteer form and be fingerprinted. Disneyland registration will be done entirely online using the new NeonCRM system for both students and chaperones
  - LCAP 1/20/20- Karen will be attending.
  - Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.
- Next SOKM Board Meeting – 700 Temple Ave, Camarillo CA 93010, Room C3
  - Tuesday, February 11, 2020, 7:00 PM