

## Save Our Kids' Music (SOKM)

Minutes July 12, 2022, 7:00 PM

Betty Weyek's House & Zoom

- Welcome and Introductions
  - Thank you to Betty for refreshments.
  - Meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm. Attendees: Karen Gatchel, Richard Gatchel, Betty Weyek, Dorothy Hanchey, Dorrie Kelly, Trina Manders, Peggy Smith, Mauricio Giron, Joan Rust, Raynard Solomon and Serena Villalobos.
- Approval of SOKM Minutes and Agenda
  - June 14, 2022 Minutes as presented and July 12, 2022 Agenda as amended, Karen Gatchel moved to approve and Peggy Smith seconded, and the motion was carried.
- Happenings
  - PVSD Music Department & Youth Arts Academy
    - Las Colinas – Reese Copsey- no report.
    - Monte Vista & DLA – Trish Copsey via email- I hope everyone is having a good summer! MVS music classes for next year should include a combined Intermediate/Advanced Band, a full-year Beginning Band, and two semester-long Intro to Band classes (one in the fall, one in the spring). The program will include two general music (Digital Music) classes as well.
    - K8 – Raynard Solomon
    - YAA Strings – Raynard Solomon
    - YAA Guitar – Mauricio Giron
    - YAA The Off Beats – Reese Copsey
    - TK-5 Music, YAA Ukulele – Karine Szakos
    - PVSD Chorus – Joan Rust- Choir Board- up for vote to increase Choir suggested donation to \$250 per student to be consistent with YAA. There is a new Principal, a meeting has been requested to discuss rooms/areas available for Choir practices with Choir instructors Sabrina and Jesus. As well as days and times available. Depending on August Covid numbers, will depend on in or outside practices and with or without masks. Discussion of possible 2 sections divided by age levels. Boys and Girls Club will not be done until March 2023.
    - Art Class- Karen Gatchel- Debbie Maki has increased suggested donation to \$250 for YAA Art that includes class supplies for 1 hour class.
  - School Year 2022-23 – Karen Gatchel
    - 6-8 Music Classes- Beg, Int, Adv Bands, General Music, Digital Music
    - TK-5 Music- currently 1-2 hours of music per year for TK-5. Suggested reduce grades to K-3 and have more hours per year to meet the CA Standards, bring Recorders back to 3rd graders.
    - ELO Program- Extended Learning Options- ELO Coordinator Beth Harris. \$1000/student, is extended day care after school. Day care workers will be hired rather than credentialed teachers. Not an opportunity to extend music education.
    - K8 Music- Beginning Band will return to K8 schools, to rebuild 4-8 grade

- band programs.
    - PVSD YAA Classes - will depend on teachers available
  - Ballot Measure 28 – Karen Gatchel- Will be contacting Chris Johnston as to what it will mean for PVSD. Will need to check “How to Promote” within the 501(c)3 guidelines. Possibly pull information from other organizations to forward the information. Dorrie and Trina are interested in assisting.
  - PVSD Music Department and YAA Newsletter – Dorothy Hanchey- hold until August/September for YAA registration.
- SOKM Donations
  - Thank You Letters – Peggy Smith- month of June done.
- SOKM Finances – Maria Godina
  - FY 2020-21 Financials- Presented for July
  - YAA 2022-23 Suggested donations – PVSD is increasing the hourly rate for teachers. YAA donations will need to be increased. Karen moved to increase suggested donations for YAA classes as follows: 1 hour classes for \$250.00, 1 ½ hour classes for \$300.00, and 2 hour classes for \$400.00 for 2022/2023 school year, Peggy Smith seconded and motion was carried. Monthly donation options will be changed from 8 to 10 months. Peggy seconded. Passed.
  - End of Fiscal Year Check Requests and Deposits - Due now
  - Reconciled Statements – Richard Gatchel- both checking and savings reconciled for June.
  - Instrument Inventory – Betty Weyek- Las Colinas is all done. Will be working on Monte Vista 7/23/22 and PVSEA 8/27/22. YAA strings not done, need to do Guitars and Ukuleles and some band instruments at PVSEA.
  - Beginning Band Instrument Bids – Betty Weyek- awaiting for Bids from 1) Nick Rail 2) Woodwind and Brasswind and 3) Hensons. Bid is for Alto Saxes, Flutes, Trumpets and Clarinets. Already have 3 Tubas, many Trombones and baritones on hand. Budget: \$35,000.
  - Bow Replacements – Raynard Solomon- Bows to be replaced have not yet been ordered, already approved by SOKM budget. Will be using a refurbished program.
  - New YAA & SOKM Banners – Betty Weyek- With Identity Banners are \$60 per banner. Will receive within 5 working days. With Vista Print banners are \$54.02 per banner, plus 16.95 shipping. With an increased number of banners (10) the price decreases to \$29.02 per banner. Banners needed: 12 YAA and 1 SOKM. Betty Weyek moved to purchase 12 YAA banners and 1 SOKM banner not to exceed \$800.00, Dorothy Hanchey seconded and motion was carried.
  - SOKM Budget 2022-23 Approval – Karen Gatchel. Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget - Karen Gatchel moved to approve the SOKM 2022-23 Budget as amended, Serena Villalobos seconded and motion was carried.
  - Middle School Postcards- Karen Gatchel- would like to send out in the Fall to all new incoming middle school students, with information regarding SOKM, what our organization does, our website and ways to donate including a QR code.
- SOKM Board Stuff
  - Thank You Kendra- card was passed for SOKM members to sign.
  - Conflict of Interest Form-Google form links were emailed out by Karen Gatchel, reminder to return.

- Electronic Communications Form-Google form links were emailed out by Karen Gatchel, reminder to return.
- Information Form-Google form links were emailed out by Karen Gatchel, reminder to return.
- Refreshments Schedule-Google form links were emailed out by Karen Gatchel, reminder to return.
- Meeting was adjourned at 8:34 pm.  
Next SOKM Board Meeting – Online or Location TBA
  - Tuesday, [August 2, 2021](#), 7:00 PM (FIRST TUESDAY)