

**Save Our Kids' Music (SOKM)**  
Meeting, August 17, 2021, 7:00 PM  
was in Person @ Betty's Home and via ZOOM

- Welcome and Introductions
  - Thank you to [Karen](#) for refreshments. Meeting was called to order at 7:09 pm. Attendees: Karen Gatchel, Betty Weyek, Richard Gatchel, Nikki Dossman, Peggy Smith, Dorothy Hanchey, Kendra Abernathy, Serena Villalobos, Reese Copsey, Mauricio Giron, and Joan Rust.
- Approval of SOKM Minutes and Agenda
  - July 6, 2021 Minutes as presented and August 17, 2021 Agenda as amended - Karen Gatchel moved to approve and Betty Weyek seconded, and the motion was carried.
- Happenings
  - PVSD Music Department & Youth Arts Academy
    - Las Colinas - Reese Copsey via email- there are 3 class levels: Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced and 2 music appreciation classes this school year with 2 more classes in the Spring. Will need 2 sets (30? per class) of recorders and one for this semester and next semester.
    - Monte Vista & DLA via Trish Copsey- full year with Beginning band, Intermediate and Advanced in one class this year, the Elective wheel beginning band, DLA 7th grade general music class and 8th grade Music Appreciation Class this year. Music class is being held outside for students to play.
    - K8 – TBA
    - YAA Strings – TBA
    - YAA Guitar & Ukulele by Mauricio Giron- Beginning Guitar and Ukulele had lots of students signed up but less than 50% attended Summer School. Proposed Digital Music Class for 6th-8th Graders. What type of cost? Students already have Chromebooks and have PVEF hardware that was donated
    - TK-2 Music, YAA Music & Movement, YAA Beg. Piano via email Karine Szakos- it is undecided what classes will be taught for the upcoming school year by the School District and in YAA. Awaiting for different schools and PTAs to decide if Ukulele will be taught in schools this year.
    - PVSD Chorus by Joan Rust- New instructors: Sabrina Moreno and Jerry Cruz. Class will start in person-outside and online, possibly virtual and PVC MPR in winter. Option for a second class room if needed. Maximum 60 students. Class will be Thursdays 3:30-4:30 pm.
  - Rene Godina Replacement – Betty Weyek with Rene Godina resigning, PVSD is in the hiring process to fill the open position.
  - Summer YAA 2021 by Betty Weyek- classes will not be offered free again, there was no commitment for attendance.
  - YAA 2021-22 by Betty Weyek
    - Classes- Possible offering in Fall 2021: Beginning and Intermediate Strings, Orchestra, Beginning and Intermediate Guitar, Digital Music, Beginning Piano, Beginning Ukulele, The Off Beats, PVSD Chorus and

- Music & Movement.
      - Calendar - PVSD Music calendar not approved yet
      - Registration will be online possibly on the second Saturday of September. Classes will possibly be 1st week of October
    - SOKM 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Committee by Dorothy Hanchey will be sending a draft in email to the team and Karen to review.
    - PVSD Music Department and YAA Newsletter by Dorothy Hanchey- will include information on YAA Registration, 8th grade awards, and information for Amazon Smile and Ralph’s rewards.
- SOKM Donations
  - Family Fun Nights 2021-22 – Maria Godina
  - Thank You Letters – Peggy Smith
  - Okamura Donation via Reese Copsey-discussion made of the importance of Music and Art in Annette Okamura’s life. Reese is requesting a long term memorial award and what it represents. Karen moved to approve the concept: “Excited about Music” award to be given annually to an 8th grade student at Las Colinas and Monte Vista. Serena seconded, motion carried. Betty will bring an estimate to be voted upon at the next SOKM Board meeting for 2 classroom plaques at LCS and MVS and individual 8th grader plaques.
- SOKM Finances – Maria Godina
  - FY 2020-21 Financials - Maria will email later
  - FY 2021-22 Financials will start 8/1/2021. Maria will email later
  - Reconciled Statements – Richard Gatchel
  - Taxes FY 2018-19 by Karen Gatchel- IRS still has not processed the FY 2017-18 taxes. Karen prepared a two page letter with documentation and sent it to the IRS.
- SOKM Board Stuff – Karen Gatchel
  - Refreshment Schedule 2021-22, there are still open slots.
 

August: Karen	Sept: Serena	Oct: Maria
Nov: Betty	Dec:	Jan: Peggy
Feb: Kendra	Mar: Richard	April: Serena
May: Dorothy	June:	July: Nikki
  - Conflict of Interest - Complete ASAP
  - Electronic Communications - Complete ASAP
  - Board Member Information - Complete ASAP
- Next SOKM Board Meeting – Online or Location TBA
  - Tuesday, [September 14, 2021](#), 7:00 PM
- Meeting was adjourned at 8:28 pm.