

Save Our Kids' Music (SOKM)
Minutes November 12, 2019, 7:00 pm

- Welcome and Introductions
 - Thank you to Peggy for refreshments
 - Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm
 - Karen Gatchel, Betty Weyek, Richard Gatchel, Nikki Dossman, Cathy Crook, Peggy Smith, Dorothy Hanchey, Kendra Abernathy, Serena Villalobos and Rene Godina were present.
- Approval of SOKM Minutes and Agenda
 - October 8, 2019 Minutes – Karen moved to accept, Cathy seconded, motion passed
 - November 12, 2019 Agenda and added Grants to Donation, Karen moved to accept, Cathy seconded, motion passed.
- Happenings
 - PVSD Music Department Update
 - Las Colinas Music via email from Reese Copsey- LC bands are well into working on holiday music for the upcoming performances. All groups will play at the Winter Concert on Dec 7th. Advanced Band missed the Halloween Nutrition Break performance but will play at school in December at our annual “Flash Mob” at nutrition and both lunches the day before Winter Break. This year I am also having the 7th/8th Advanced Intermediate class play holiday carols for the 6th grade during Nutrition Break in December. All intermediate and Advance students are invited to the Christmas Parade on Saturday Dec 14th.
 - Monte Vista Music via email from Trish Copsey- All Monte Vista band students are working on Winter Concert music to prepare for their performance at the Camarillo Community Center on Dec 7th. Elective wheel students are not required to attend the Winter Concert, so I expect to have around 125 students participate in the performance. Intermediate and Advanced Band student have also started working on Jingle Bell Rock music for the Camarillo Christmas Parade. Monte Vista Advanced Band students played at Nutrition last week (delayed from Halloween week) and will probably perform a short set of holiday-type music at Nutrition before we leave on Winter Break. The keyboard lab is more than 75% set up and should be functioning (hopefully) in time for the 2nd semester Music Appreciation class.
 - Los Primeros School of Arts and Sciences Music by Rene Godina- Intermediate and Advanced band students will be having the Marching practice for both Monday Dec 9th and Wednesday Dec 11th. They will participate for the Camarillo Christmas Parade Saturday Dec 14th. Will be having their Winter Concert Wednesday Dec 18th at PVSEA school.

- Pleasant Valley School of Engineering and Arts Music by Rene Godina- Intermediate and Advanced band students will be having the Marching practice for both Monday Dec 9th and Wednesday Dec 11th. They will participate for the Camarillo Christmas Parade Saturday Dec 14th. Will be having their Winter Concert Wednesday Dec 18th at PVSEA school.
- Santa Rosa Technology Magnet School Music by Rene Godina- Intermediate and Advanced band students will be having the Marching practice for both Monday Dec 9th and Wednesday Dec 11th. They will participate for the Camarillo Christmas Parade Saturday Dec 14th. Will be having their Winter Concert Wednesday Dec 18th at PVSEA school.
- TK-3 General Music by Karine Szakos. 3rd grade recorders are doing well. There are more challenging recorder parts and more singing for The Orchestra Moves. 1st session now, will be starting 2nd session.
- Monte Vista, Las Colinas, and PVSEA all go to see ACHS Marching band play in uniform, Betty set it up.
- PVSD Youth Arts Academy (YAA) Music Update
 - YAA Beg & Int Strings, Orchestra by Rene Godina- all Strings will be performing Thursday 19th at PVSEA. There will be 32 Beginning Strings, 22 Intermediate Strings, and 26 Orchestra students. High school Orchestra students Victor and Sebastian have been helping. Beginning string students have Andrew Robertson helping, who is studying at CSUN music program. They will be updating classes and summary report. Rosemarie Umipig auditioned to All Southern and All State
 - YAA Beg & Int Guitar, Beg Ukulele via note by Mauricio Giron- Beginning Guitar/Ukulele students are just about to finish the songs they we will perform for the Winter Concert Thursday Dec 12th at PVSEA. We will soon start learning Standard Notation and Concert Etiquette. Intermediate Guitar students differentiated instruction is happening for songs being learned. Repertoire is just about learned. Some students are preparing solos for concert and local “Mr. Softee” open mic night. Advanced Guitar students preparing pieces for concert and working on possibly playing “Jingle Bell-Rock” with band students during the Camarillo Christmas Parade on Saturday Dec 14th.
 - YAA The Off Beats via email form Reese Copsey- The Off Beats are planning on the Camarillo Tree Lighting in Old Town on Friday Dec 6th, the Winter Concert on Saturday Dec 7th, Somis Thursday Club on Dec 12th, and the Camarillo Health Care Center on Thursday Dec 19th. We have 18 students this year and most are in the LC Advanced Band. Just a little bit busy!
 - PVSD Chorus via email by Joan Rust, unable to attend due to

PVSD Chorus fundraiser at Chester's Asia. PVSD Chorus is practicing for its 7pm Dec 13th concert at St. Mary Magdalen Church. The chorus will also march in the Christmas Parade on Saturday morning Dec 14th. I have received info from Hilmelda Rubio of PVSD and have been told we will be kept up with all relevant updates. Jonas Lee taught the chorus last week since Vincent Dominguez was with his wife last week for the birth of their first child. We expect that Vincent will be back with the chorus either this Friday or the Friday following. He said it has been a whirlwind. Of course!!!

- YAA 2019-20 Update – Betty Weyek
- December Events by Betty Weyek
 - Refreshments- Signup Genius to be sent out by Karen
 - Volunteers- Sign up Genius to be sent out by Karen
- PVSD Music Department and YAA Newsletter – Dorothy Hanchey
 - NeonCRM to Constant Contact
- SOKM Finances – Crystal Casas
 - FY 2019-20 Financials by Karen- money was transferred from Paypal and NeonPay into checking account.
 - Reconciled Statements by Richard Gatchel- up to date as of 10/31/2019.
 - QBO Downgrade to Essentials – Karen Gatchel Downgrade was made to \$40 from \$70 for quick books. There is no budgeting, use Excel spreadsheet now, positive income.
 - NeonCRM Downgrade by Karen Gatchel- Downgraded NeonCRM by eliminating the link to QBO since we were not using it.
 - FY 2018-19 Audit was conducted by Cathy Crook. Missing June file, marked incomplete, awaiting added back up, will revisit.
 - Donations – PVSD Board Meeting 11/21, 6:00 pm by Karen Gatchel- requesting SOKM Board Members to attend
 - Amgen matched donation for \$1500.
 - Grant request by Mauricio Giron- list of guitar class items needed. ¾ or short scale equal >\$2000
- SOKM Donations
 - Leisure Village Women's Club by Karen Gatchel- donated \$350.
 - Thank You Letters done by Peggy Smith
 - Restaurant Nights by Serena Villalobos- SOKM Fundraiser for Tuesday Dec 3rd El Tecolote. Need to arrange Mr. Softee for MV and LC Spring Concerts. Need to set up 3-4 restaurant nights from various places.
 - Ask Letter by Karen Gatchel- via Neon, "end of year". 1000 preprinted envelopes for \$200, already approved by Board for donors that donated >\$250, consensus.
- SOKM Board Stuff
 - LCAP Update by Karen Gatchel- next meeting 11/13/2019.
 - PTA Roundtable – Karen Gatchel
 - NeonCRM Update – Karen Gatchel

- Next SOKM Board Meeting – 700 Temple Ave, Camarillo CA 93010, Room C3
 - NO MEETING IN DECEMBER
 - Tuesday, January 14, 2020, 7:00 PM