



Mar Vista Community Council



AGENDA & MINUTES

Education, Arts & Culture Committee

<http://marvista.org/committees/edcultarts>

Monday, Oct 19th 2015, 6:30pm

Mar Vista Library (SW corner of Venice/Inglewood Blvd. intersection)
Community Room

1. Introductions - WELCOME!

Georgia McCreery (MTMS*, Walgrove), Kelly Lortie (GVES), Keith McKnight (VHS), Robin Doyno (MVCC), Kristen Payne (Richland), Kristin Sherman (NSW, Voyages POK), Craig Jaffe (MVES), Abraham Lincoln (!), Kirsten Ahn (MHS), Peyton Lancaster (MHS), Judith Deutsch (YMF), Brenda Zenteno (MTMS, VHS, CDA), Rick Selan (MTMS; 6:55p), Sara Roos (VHS, Hami)

2. Approval of 9/28/15 minutes (at <http://marvista.org/committees/edcultarts>) Tabled

3. Public Comment

Discussion re participants at collaborative upcoming community meeting; reps of chair of State Assembly Ed Comm, Central LAUSD sups Hildreth, King, elected Zimmer; moderated panel, discussion of vision, protocol for questions submission. Invitation to 11am planning meeting

Heal Our Schools screening (Robin) – liked it and has DVD to lend of it.

4. Featured Director: Jonathan Terry, Young Musicians Foundation Teaching Artist Program (Judy)

61 year old program (Patigorsky-founded); 5th year of teaching. 1148 students @ 10 schools. Mission is to increase opportunity to experience music not otherwise available among PK-12. 3-12gr high performance level expected. Looking to expand reach, incl prof. development. No tuition, cost shared by YMF-district. Class performances. Neighborhood orchestra. Looking for presence in MV schools. Some classes during school, could be afterwards. Capped classes at 15; depending on school.

* ES/MS/HS = Elementary/Middle/High School; MTMS = Mark Twain; MVES = Mar Vista; GVES = Grand View; NSW = New School West; MHS = Marymount; YMF = Young Musicians Foundation

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Next step 15-25yo pre-professional "Debut Orch", led by Yuga Cohler, 3yr fellowship; then to philharmonics; scholarships. Concerts free at Wilshire Blvd Temple, Disney, LACMA, Zipper, Aritanee. Interested schools contact Judith.

5. Community Culture Report – switchbox stats? (Robin)

3 utility boxes, in process.

6. School rep reports

GVES: Nov 6 Day Of Dead; 4-5:30p on main yard, parents working on elaborate flowers.

Webster: Nov. 15th LA Opera Co will assist Kimberly Davis w/web-based Opera showing? Orpheus.

Twain: Thriller dance, Oct 12:30 – inside quad. New school entrance off Victoria. Great event put together many years by art & dance teacher: spiritual.

Voyages: 5 preschools – Harold Gothsen speaking; civic involvement 5-8p @ 1st prez in SM. Free.

7. Identifying and encouraging school representatives (¿Clover, Charnock?)

8. Neighborhood Purpose Grants (NPG) plans presentations and discussion

Anticipated presentations from WebsterMS, TwainMS, Grand ViewES, Mar VistaES, Voyages PS – others??

Robin: \$37.5K budgeted to MVCC for last year, then additional \$5K. Hard to say how much will be available yearly.

MTMS: 19 basketball courts w/o nets. Great community interest in local outdoor space as articulated by WMVRA (perhaps they can match grant?) – outdoors needs equipment to welcome the 67 unanticipated local neighborhood influx of pupils (yeah!). Enriches campus, beautifies neighborhood

Walgrove: 400+ attended last year's Studio Lab Game Day; showcases school, recruiting tool. Not enough equipment last year. Hands on design/build, community Teaching Event. Beloved. Great community-booster (w/ wild-lands, social-emotional learning) all around.

Richland: Dual language is very popular; turned away families. Kids grow FAST need to keep library one step ahead. Important for MV reputation, instructional through-path with Twain/VHS.

Grand View: from gardening teacher; recycling center to process BIC waste – compost it! Teaches responsibility, stewardship, community aide and spirit, recycling skills.

Webster: Very successful robotics pilot needs extending beyond one

classroom. Lots of collaborative work among kids, talking, planning. Need more LEGO kits for second classroom. Very popular, zeitgeist.

MVES: Library needing more books, requested Our Great States. Needs new, full set.

9. Community Events (fliers below)

Many local Halloween events: MVES, GVES, Richland, CC

EACC at Fall Festival – post mortem

Many schools present w/musical performance. MVES

Westchester LAUSD Plans/Vision Forum ~ Oct 26, 6:30p, Wright MS

100+ questions distributed to panelists for written response; q's available as pdf on request.

LAUSD Superintendent Search community meetings, 10/26/15
(9a, 1:30p, 7p; Webster MS)

Well-attended morning meeting and thousands heard across district.
Search firm's recommendations presented in December.

10. "Farm to Fork" Culinary Arts and Entrepreneurship program, and its implementation in MVCC schools (Rick)

Rick: researching involvement of Gjelina restaurants. Concern with safety among kids.

11. Public Comment

12. Future Agenda items

13. Adjourn (*by 7:55pm!*)

adjourned 7:58pm....