



Venice Neighborhood Council



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Minutes of the September 14, 2020 Joint VNC Board & DFC **Focus on Children** Meeting

Voting Members (Present): Joe Murphy (VNC DFC CoChair), Paul Davis (VNC DFC CoChair, parent and architect), Regan Kibbee (Co-moderator of Venice Moms), Mehrnoosh Mojallali (Architecture/Urban Design), Jasmine Carey (Worthy Beyond Purpose - Mindfulness Mentoring), Joelle Dumas (VNC DFC CoChair, Director of Ecole Claire Fontaine); **(Absent):** John Palka (Pastor, Venice Lutheran Church), Mark Washington (LAUSD, Assistant Principal of Operations, Division of Adult & Career Education, Venice Skills Center Service Area).

Community Members: Sandy Bleifer (Artist), Robin Murez (Artist).

Note: the minutes below in small blue bold print are a distillation of agenda item discussions and free-form comments from the meeting, and also feature points of discussion introduced by attendees in follow-up correspondence.

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- 5:30** ***Call to Order - Approval of Outstanding Minutes and Agenda***
- 5:31** ***Introductions, Announcements, Public Comment on items not on the agenda***
- 5:35** ***Consideration and possible adoption of the following motion(s): None***
- 5:35** ***Initiative Updates & Presentations***
- + Paul Davis: Update of Youth Internship Program during pandemic**
Paul reviewed the impact of the pandemic on the Youth Internship Program and will pursue options within the context of the pandemic.
 - + Mehrnoosh Mojallali: Update of effort to provide Safe Pedestrian Access to Library**
Mehrnoosh reviewed her work to date and willingness to also work on the Slow Streets Program.
 - + Joe Murphy: Below are some ideas that surfaced at or since our August 3, 2020 meeting on what we might do to assist children's educational and social growth during the pandemic:**
 - **Joelle Dumas: Child Care Advocate Program (CCAP)**
 - **Robin Murez: Venice Flying Carousel**
Robin provided a detailed description of her proposed Venice Flying Carousel, responded to questions, and indicated that she will provide a revised motion for consideration at the October 5, 2020 meeting.
 - **Mehrnoosh Mojallali: Slow Streets Program**
Mehrnoosh indicated willingness to work on the Slow Streets Program and will contact Alek Bartrosouf (Councilperson Mike Bonin DOT representative) to explore options.
 - **Regan Kibbee: Venice Moms**
Regan indicated willingness to use Venice Moms to support these efforts.
 - **Sandy Bleifer: LACMA Online Activities for Kids, Learning Pods, etc.**
- 6:00** ***Discussion: What's 'doable', & who will investigate 'doable items' & report back to the committee?***
- 7:00** ***Adjourn. Next meeting will be 5:30pm Monday, October 5, 2020***
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