

Visual & Performing Arts District Advisory Committee (VAPA DAC)

Wednesday, January 25, 2023 – 7 PM – via Zoom

Here is the zoom link for all VAPA DAC meetings this year:

<https://smmk12.zoom.us/j/86357364196>

AGENDA

DAC roster for 2022-23:

Janis Gabbert – term expires June 2023
Deborah Berek – June 2023
Domenic Piturro – 2023
Lydia Muraro – June 2024
Zina Josephs – June 2024
Annie Azzariti – June 2025
Aimee Koeplin – June 2025
Elizabeth Manco – June 2025

DAC application form:

https://ca50000164.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA50000164/Centricity/Domain/304/DAC_appEngSP.pdf

As per BP 1313 (adopted 11/18/21), the Board of Education and SMMUSD shall place this information at the top of their meeting agendas.

STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOR THAT PROMOTE CIVILITY AT ALL PUBLIC MEETINGS:

Treat everyone with respect and courtesy.	Keep an open mind and, if merited, allow yourself to be persuaded to change your opinion.
Listen to others respectfully.	Acknowledge dissension as a civic right and as a tool to use to reach the9 best decisions.
Agree to disagree, and don't make it personal; discuss the issue, not the person.	Accept responsibility and maintain self-control.

NORMAS DE CONDUCTA QUE PROMUEVEN LA CIVILIDAD EN TODAS LAS REUNIONES PÚBLICAS:

Tratar a todas las personas con respeto y cortesía.	Mantener la mente abierta, y si la ocasión lo amerita, permitir ser persuadido a cambiar de opinión.
Escuchar a los demás de manera respetuosa.	Reconocer el disenso como un derecho cívico y como una herramienta para tomar las mejores decisiones.
Aceptar las diferencias y no tomarlas de forma personal; debatir el asunto, no la persona.	Aceptar la responsabilidad y mantener el autocontrol.

7:00 PM – **Call to order and welcome**

7:05 PM – **Approve minutes** from November 2022 meeting (on page 5)

7:15 PM -- **Calendar review**

- DAC meetings -- Feb 22, April 26, May 10
- Board of Ed meetings – Feb 2, Feb 6 (special meeting), Feb 16
<https://www.smmusd.org/domain/2977>
- VAPA Calendar -- <https://smmarts.net>

REPORTS

7:20 PM -- **P.S. ARTS 2022-23 rotations and arts disciplines for TK-5**

- Each class meets once a week for in-person classes during regular school hours.
- TK-K classes are 30 minutes. 1st-5th grade classes are 50 minutes.

Edison: TK-5 – Bilingual Theater for 15 weeks

Franklin: TK-5 -- Visual Arts for 15 weeks

Grant: TK-2 -- Visual Art for 15 weeks

3-5 -- Visual Art for 12 weeks

K-2 -- Music for 12 weeks

McKinley: K-2 -- Visual Art for 15 weeks

3-5 -- Visual Art for 15 weeks

K-2 -- Theater for 15 weeks

3-5 -- Theater for 15 weeks

Rogers: K-2 -- Visual Art for 15 weeks

3-5 -- Visual Art for 15 weeks

Roosevelt: K-5 -- Visual Art for 15 weeks

SMASH: 4th-6th -- Theater for 15 weeks

K-3rd -- Visual Art for 15 weeks

7:25 PM -- **Administrator Co-Chairperson** -- Dr. Jacqueline Mora

7:35 PM – **Staff Liaison and VAPA Coordinator** -- Tom Whaley

7:50 PM -- **Board of Education Liaisons** – Maria Leon-Vazquez and
Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS (per the DAC Charge)

8:00 PM – **VAPA DAC charge for 2022-23** – Approved by the Board of Ed on 9/14/22

- *Support a comprehensive preK-12 arts education program as an integral part of the core curriculum offered to all SMMUSD students, with dance, media arts, music, theater, and visual arts taught as discrete disciplines and integrated into other subject areas; as we align with and promote the Excellence through Equity Plan, which includes teaching cross-cultural and socio-emotional skills.*
 - *Serve as a conduit for parents, teachers, students and community members to inform and make recommendations to the Board of Education on matters related to equitable access and successful participation in comprehensive, sequential, standards-based preK-12 arts education, while comparing the district's curriculum, scheduling, staffing, instructional materials, equipment, and facilities with National and State standards and frameworks; as we align with and promote the Excellence through Equity Plan.*
 - *Maintain the Board and District commitment to the adoption of a new 6-year SMMUSD Arts Education Strategic Plan. Review and advise this Plan to align with and promote the Excellence through Equity Plan.*
1. **DAC Mid-Year Report to the Board of Education** – Due by 2/2/23 for the 2/26/23 Board meeting agenda -- Review, amend, and approve the draft report.
 2. **Prop 28: “Arts and Music in Schools Funding Guarantee Accountability Act” and the 6-Year Strategic Arts Education Plan (2023-2029)**
 3. **VAPA DAC vacancies** – Flyer for VAPA teachers to share with parents – Update DAC Board Policy and Administrative Regulations:
<https://www.smmusd.org/domain/118>
 DAC application form:
<https://ca50000164.schoolwires.net/cms/lib/CA50000164/Centricity/Domain/304/DACappEngSP.pdf>
 4. **SMC concurrent enrollment classes** – Update
 5. **K-5 arts education funding** – update
 6. **Spring semester performances:**
 January 29 – Samohi Jazz Bands Winter Concert
 March 28 – Annual “Stairway of the Stars” district-wide band, orchestra, and choir concert
 May 2 – District-wide Art Show at the new Roberts Art Gallery at Samohi
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7. **Media coverage:**

- a. **“MHS Choir Performs for the Mele Kalikimaka Winter Gala”**
12/22/22 – *Malibu Times*
- b. **“Samohi Orchestra Performance”** (photo)
12/9/22 – *Santa Monica Daily Press*
<https://smdp.com/2022/12/09/music/>
- c. **“MHS Theatre Department ‘s ‘Noses Off’ Takes Audience on a Hilarious Romp”** (photo)
12/8/22 – *Malibu Times*
<https://malibutimes.com/mhs-theatre-departments-noses-off-takes-audience-on-a-hilarious-romp>
- d. **“Singing through the Chaos – the Shchedryk Children’s Choir of Kyiv”**
12/1/22 – *New York Times*
<https://www.nytimes.com/2022/12/01/arts/music/ukraine-shchedryk-childrens-choir.html> -- “Members of the Shchedryk Children’s choir of Kyiv have emerged from the war determined to perform, including at Carnegie Hall this weekend...They have lost friends and relatives in the fighting, watched as Russian bombs have devastated schools, churches, and city streets; and grappled with the anxiety and trauma of war. But the choristers have also forged a determination to use music as a way to heal Ukraine and promote their culture around the world....”
- e. **“46 Samohi Orchestra Students Chosen for CODA Honors Orchestras”**
11/30/22 – *Santa Monica Mirror*
<https://smmirror.com/2022/11/46-samohi-orchestra-students-chosen-for-coda-honors-orchestra/>

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

8:45 PM – **Public comments regarding items not on the agenda** -- Public Comments is the time when **members of the audience** may address the DAC on items not on the meeting’s agenda. The Brown Act states that Committee members may not engage in discussion of issues raised except to ask clarifying questions or to refer the matter to staff.

8:50 PM – **Agenda planning for February 22, 2023**

8:55 PM -- **Announcements**

9:00 PM – **Adjournment**