

Visual & Performing Arts District Advisory Committee (VAPA DAC)

Wednesday, October 23, 2024 – 7 PM – in-person

Board Room, SMMUSD District Office, 1717 - 4th Street, Santa Monica 90401

AGENDA

VAPA DAC roster for 2024-25 and when terms expire:

Annie Azzariti – June 2025
Aimee Koeplin – June 2025
Elizabeth Manco – June 2025
Deborah Berek – June 2026
Janis Gabbert – June 2026
Domenic Piturro – June 2026
Zina Josephs – June 2027
Rebecca Terlizzi – June 2027

7:00 PM -- Call to order and welcome

7:05 PM -- Approve minutes from September meeting (page 3)

7:10 PM -- Calendar review

- Board of Ed meetings: October 24 and November 7
<https://www.smmusd.org/domain/2977>
- VAPA DAC meetings: November 27, January 22, February 19, April 23,
and May 21 -- <https://www.smmusd.org/Page/3815>

REPORTS

7:15 PM -- Staff Liaison and VAPA Coordinator -- Tom Whaley

7:30 PM -- Board of Education Liaisons – Maria Leon-Vazquez and
Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS (per the DAC Charge)

7:45 PM – VAPA DAC charge for 2024-25:

- *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. Election of Co-Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary

2. Prop 28 update

3. SMC's Broad Stage and SMMUSD – Aimee Koeplin

4. VAPA DAC vacancies

- a. Discuss strategies for recruiting new members
- b. DAC application form:

<https://www.smmusd.org/cms/lib/CA50000164/Centricity/Domain/304/DACappEngSP.pdf>

5. Media coverage

6. Calendar of upcoming performances and arts exhibits

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

8:45 PM – **Public comments regarding items not on the agenda** -- 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 November 27 meeting**

8:55 PM – Announcements

9:00 – Adjournment
