



City of Mountain View

Minutes

Performing Arts Committee

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

6:15 PM

Atrium Conference room

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kumar called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present 4 - Committee Member Carol Donahue, Committee Member David Garcia, Vice Chair John McAlister, and Chair Sukanya Kuma,

Committee Member Yao Yao arrived 6:29 PM

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

3.1 Approval of Minutes

Motion M/S McAlister/ Donahue – To approve the minutes from the September 20, 2023 meeting with one correction to spell out TheatreWorks Silicon Valley. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion M/S Garcia/Donahue – To approve the minutes from the October 18, 2023 meeting with one correction to add the question asked of Peninsula Youth Theatre – Which programs utilize the Mainstage? Unanimous. Motion carried.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. None

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Upstage Theater Annual Home Company Review

Staff provided a background overview and financial analysis of Upstage for the year ending December 31, 2023.

Bonnie Fought and Emma Rensin, Artistic Director for Upstage Theater provided an overview of the previous season of performances at the MVCPA. Committee asked about cost recovery of the program, to which Bonnie responded that the mission is really centered around providing programs for the students as long as they cover their costs. They are not doing this to make a profit, just support the next production.

Emma answered questions around their mission statement and what the program means for the participating students.

No action taken.

6. COMMITTEE/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, REQUESTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

7. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:45 p.m., Chair Kumar adjourned the meeting to the next Performing Arts Committee meeting to be held on January 17, 2024 in the Performing Arts Center Conference Room, 500 Castro Street.