



**LOS ANGELES SECONDARY MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (LASMTA)**  
P.O. BOX 34666 Los Angeles, CA 90034-9998

**LASMTA MEETING**

**Date:** September 11, 2013

**Official Meeting Time: 5:30 pm**

**Bancroft MS**

- I. Called to Order** by Julie West at 5:56 pm.
- II.** pm.
- III. Attendance:** Julie West, Desiree Fowler, Dan Taguchi, Jennifer Elliott, Ariel Legaspi, James Rozsa, Mark Johnsen, Jonathan Hass, Erica Clewitt, Jim Lownes, Brian Hega, Dan McNamara, Julio Sequeira, Mark Wamhoff, Scott Martin, Margaret Asato, Robert Eisenhart, Christopher Rodriguez, Robin Sharp, Mio Hirako, Scott Harris, Sophia Lee, Robert Sexton, David Yakerson, Jose Medina and Rachel Lee
- IV. Reports**
  - A. Approval of the Minutes from May
    - 1. Motion to accept May's meeting minutes by Desiree Fowler and seconded by Mr. Harris.
  - B. Treasurer's Report
    - 1. Dan Taguchi reported that as September 11, 2013 there is a balance of \$10,558.
  - C. Secretary's Report
    - 1. The minutes were prepared by Jennifer Elliott and members were notified of tonight's meeting.
  - D. Vice President's Report
    - 1. Desiree Fowler reported that we have 3 members. Tonight there are 4 more.
    - 2. The Facebook account is a great way to connect with other music teachers.
    - 3. The Mentor and Mentee program for teachers to support each other.
  - E. President's Report
    - 1. Julie West gave some details of what LASMTA does, including the new Stew Rupp Scholarship for music students planning on becoming a music educator.
    - 2. Brochures went out to all schools.
    - 3. LASMTA sent letters to every board member regarding the Repair Shop Situation. A letter was sent out to have parents send letters too.
    - 4. At the board meeting, the year was planned out.

**Tricks of the Trade**

- A. Julie West presented on an idea to focus on composers and recordings. She does a "Musician of the Week." She gives them information all week long and plays a recording.

**Repair Shop and Arts Plan**

- A. Chris Rodriguez gave an update. M&O wants to take care of the backlog of instruments and are contracting out repairs right now. They need instrument repair techs and may be able to hire when the hiring freeze is over. There was then a question and answer discussion.
- B. Chris Rodriguez reported that the Arts Plan does not replace arts instruction. Go to [arts.lausd.net](http://arts.lausd.net) to read the plan. A discussion went on regarding scheduling and matrixes.

**New Business**

**Next meeting:** SOCES on October 14, 6-8 pm

**Adjournment**

Mark Johnsen moved to adjourn. David Yakerson seconds. Meeting Adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jennifer Elliott