

**SUN LAKES COMMUNITY THEATRE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2019
OAKWOOD BRADFORD ROOM**

Present: Sandy Pallett, Mary Vandergriff, Bill Becker, Carol Horowitz, Rick Whitney, Cindy Decker (phone), Jack Mitchell (phone), Howard Hummel (Skype).
Attendees: MJ, and Greg P.

Call to Order: 10:05AM

Motion to approve MINUTES of July 8 meeting made by Bill and seconded by Mary. Slight change of wording: Replace “lights” with “tripods” and change wording to reflect 3 sets rather than 6 sets, with appropriate price reduction. Discussion. **Motion approved.**

Motion to approve the June 30th Financial Report (Cindy) made by Bill and seconded by Mary.
Motion approved.

Addendum to the Minutes: To lend brevity to the BOD meeting, the information that follows was prepared by each of the board directors ahead of the scheduled meeting:

Programs, Education:

Welcome Back Cool Down Social is on August 28th, 4 pm at Poolside (Oakwood).

December Holiday Party is December 10th at Palo Verde.

New: Karen Burns’ Storytelling and Advanced Acting classes.

Karen usually charges \$50/hr.; however, class fees will be based on the number of people who sign up. **Storytelling:** Oct 19 - Nov 9, on Saturdays, 2 hr. classes from 10am-noon

Advanced Acting: Jan 9 - Feb 13, Thursdays, 2 hr. classes from 10am – noon

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS ASKED AT MEETING:

Rick: “Are there any Technical courses being offered that would go under ‘Education’?”

Answer: None at the present, but if such courses are planned, the information should go to Mary V. so she can include it in her information section.

Carol H.: “Technical” and “grants” should be established as ongoing courses in SLCT.

Publicity:

Upcoming show is Plaza Suite at the Cottonwood Ballroom – Director: Merrie Crawford.

Shows: 10/23 Wed. through 10/26 Sat.: Evenings at 7 p.m. + 10/27 Sun.: Matinee at 1p.m.

Road signs go up: 9/23 Mon. 8 a.m. (Will need to hire outside help for this chore.)

Ticket sales begin **online** at www.slctinfo.com at 10 am on 9/30 Mon. Also, Jim Nielsen will sell tickets at Cottonwood CC (Room A3) 10am-Noon on Wednesdays, October 9, 16 & 23, and at Oakwood (in the Main Lobby) 10am-Noon on Thursdays, October 10, 17, & 24.

Load-in will be 10/21 Tues. 9 a.m. (Will need SLCT volunteers plus hire outside help for this.)

The risers will be set up: 10/22 Wed.: a.m. + Tech./dress rehearsal: Wed. 10/22: 4-7 p.m.

Strike set & load-out: 10/27 at appx. 4:30 pm. (Will need SLCT volunteers, plus hire help.)

Articles are being prepared for the September and October issues of *The Splash* and other area newspapers. Posters and flyers will be posted in clubhouses and will also be available for SLCT presentations at the **Fall “Open Houses”** at **Cottonwood on Saturday, October 12**, at **Sun Lakes Country Club on Saturday, October 19**, and at **Oakwood on Saturday, October 26**, so we will have a presence at all three open house to advertise SLCT.

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS ASKED AT MEETING: *none.*

Grants & fundraising: No new information at this time.

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS ASKED AT MEETING: Carol indicate that SLCT received an \$8,000 ACA state grant this year, but we may be eligible for a much larger ACA grant for next year, perhaps in the \$15,000 range.

Technical: No new information at this time.

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS ASKED AT MEETING:

Rick asked about marking all SLCT equipment; Jack replied that new equipment should be marked with stickers but not etchings. He will follow up when he returns in October.

Motion to liquidate “truss system” was passed at the July meeting. **Update:** There is a potential buyer for the trusses, but he says he cannot buy them until September, so we are waiting for that.

Financial/Treasurer:

Re: Possible rental space in the ACE Plaza. Michael Robson promised Sandy that he would forward a contract.

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS ASKED AT MEETING:

Carol: A “standard” contract was sent by Robson’s attorney to her and distributed to the Board members for review. Members were encouraged to create an SLCT version of the lease so our interests are voiced. Accordingly, the President appointed a subcommittee of the Board: Bill Becker, Howard Hummel and Mary Vandergriff, to do so and report back to the Board with a new document that spells out SLCT’s version of such a lease, if we were to sign one. This will be ready for discussion at the September 10 board meeting.

Shows updates:

No new updates on regular production shows: same information as last meeting for both the fall and spring shows; nothing organized yet for the summer show except the dates are established: Red Velvet Cake War. Director is Linda Caton with Asst. Director Sandy Bocynesky, show is at Cottonwood. Sun. 7/12 matinee at 1 pm, dark Mon. & Tues., plus shows Wed 7/15 –Sat.7/18: evenings at 7 pm

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS ASKED AT MEETING:

NEW INFORMATION: Sandy indicated that she will be presenting a small show of two or three short plays at Poolside May 6-10, 2019. Approximately 40 people per performance. Price to be determined. These May dates will not interfere with “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown” from April 4 -9.

OTHER THAN APPROVAL OF THE PAST MINUTES AND FINANCIALS, THERE WERE NO OTHER MOTIONS MADE AT THIS MEETING.

Tabled items: Increasing prices of upcoming ticket for shows, a possible membership dues increase, revisiting the issue of donations to the Chandler High Schools, and updating the descriptions of roles of Board members.

The meeting concluded at 11:50 AM with the next meeting scheduled for September 10 at 10AM in Oakwood’s Bradford room. General membership is always encouraged to attend.