

SUN LAKES COMMUNITY THEATRE
VIRTUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OCTOBER 6, 2020
Via Zoom

Participating Board Members: Bill Becker, Jim Brown, MJ Clement, Jack Mitchell, Sandy Pallett, Mary Vandergriff.

Other participating SLCT members: Barbie Bergerson, Sandy Bocynesky, Mario Carranza, Cindi Decker, Jim Nielsen, Phyllis Novy, Greg Posniack, Kathy Tomaszewski.

Call to order: 8:31am by President Bill Becker

Motion to approve September 8 Executive Session minutes made by MJ and seconded by Mary. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion to approve September Open Board minutes made by Sandy and seconded by Mary. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Budget Update – Cindi

A new AZ Organizational Relief Grant (AZ ORG COVID RELIEF) Program application has been sent in. Results are expected the week of Oct. 26.

Question about the costs of storage units was answered.

Discussion about a grant we made to Hamilton High School that the check we sent has not yet been cashed. A decision was made to have Cindi call Roger, who is the liaison to the high schools, to call the Drama Director at Hamilton and ask her to follow up. Maybe the pandemic slowed their progress.

The new fiscal year for SLCT dues is February of 2021. Some members haven't paid this year's 2020 dues and we need to find out whether or not they want to remain members. Sandy sent letters to them, but with no response at this point. Recommendation made to have Jim Nielsen follow up by separating the list into an active and an inactive list. Also, a suggestion was made to include a reminder about unpaid dues in a brief article in the next Asides.

Election of a new Vice President; redistribution of some current assignments.

Sandy agreed to take Howard's vacant Vice President position. A motion to approve Sandy as Vice President was made by MJ and seconded by Mary. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Jack will chair the Fund-raising Committee, formerly co-chaired by Howard and Jack, and he will also take on the responsibility for GRANTS as part of that committee.

MJ will become the Tech Team Coordinator/liaison.

Sandy, Mary, Jim N. and Greg gave an update about the upcoming show “Laughter is the Best Medicine”, to be presented October 29, 30, 31 and November 1, 2 & 3 outdoors at Oakwood CC. They all gave positive reviews about using Zoom for rehearsals and they are anxious to rehearse outside when the temperatures cool a bit, and they are eager to put on a great show.

MJ talked about the tech challenges for this show. Lights and sound must be taken down after each performance and set up again before each next performance. Her team is ready and she plans to work with as few people as are necessary due to COVID-19.

Jim Nielsen talked about ticket sales. We won't be using online sales or accepting credit cards this time, so tickets must be purchased with cash or check only.

Ticket sales dates and times are:

At Cottonwood on Tuesdays October 13, 20, & 27 in Room A4 (next to the library) from 10 am-Noon.

At Oakwood on Wednesdays, October 14, 21, & 28 in the clubhouse main lobby from 10 am-Noon.

At Sun Lakes Country Club on Thursdays October 15 & 22 in the clubhouse main lobby from 10 am-Noon.

Members' SurveyMonkey results: The primary conclusion from the survey was that only 30% said they would not attend a live performance by SLCT before a COVID vaccine was available; 70% said they would. More than half said they would attend an indoor show next spring. Based on a sample of 40 responses.

Action item: A vote on the proposed updated revisions to the Board of Directors' job descriptions was deferred to the November 10 Board of Directors meeting.

NOTICES:

November ZOOM **Board of Directors** meeting will be on Tuesday, November 10 at 9 am. Mary is planning a ZOOM “Happy Hour” in December; when details are finalized, they will be emailed to the membership.

After this Thursday's **General Membership Meeting** the next one will be in January 2021 when we will have a better picture about the 2021 season.

Meeting adjourned at 9:43am.