

**SUN LAKES COMMUNITY THEATRE
VIRTUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MAY 10, 2022**

VIA ZOOM (Final Approval 6/14/22)

Participating Board Members: Greg Posniack, Jim Brown, MJ Clement, Kate King-Turner, Michael Carter, Sharon Gerdik, Robin Murray

Other Participating SLCT Members: Sandy Pallett, Sandy Bocynesky, Barry Berger, Cindi Decker @0922

Call to Order: 9:03 AM by President Greg Posniack

Check for Quorum: Seven members were in attendance, so quorum was met.

Proposal of Accepting Meeting Minutes of Last Meeting:

Greg proposed a motion to accept the minutes of the April 12, 2022 Board Meeting, which was approved by Robin and seconded by Michael. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Cindi

The monthly Treasurer's report of April 30, 2022 was presented. Michael approved the report and Robin seconded.

Membership Report: Greg

The number for current members remained at 99, however, Michael stated that there are new applications pending for membership.

Greg received an application mailed to his home with a \$20 bill. From the address, it appeared that the applicant did not live in Sun Lakes. Sharon will follow up with him to confirm residency.

Grant Report: Greg

Greg along with Kate's input, stated that a second grant is expected from Arizona Commission on The Arts. This one would be an \$8000 AZ Organizational Relief Grant and would be expected later in the year, possibly November or December. It can not be used for production costs. It could be used for rent, insurance and other non-production related costs.

Back on April 21st, the state sent out a Grant check but it was not received. State is resending.

Publicity: Kate

There will be four articles in the June Splash. Articles include Promo for Show, Teaser Auditions, Wrap-up for "Catch Me if You Can" and upcoming new shows.

Since there are four articles from Publicity, Sharon was asked to withhold her next article on a SLCT Member until July.

Spring Show April 27 – May 1st 2022 / Diana Nelinson's "Catch Me if You Can" Final Report:

Diana was not in attendance but there were members who were able to provide information. A total of 548 tickets were sold and brought in \$8,768. Since Diana purchased furniture for the show, there could be additional revenue from the sale of that furniture.

Diana also needs to submit her receipts for reimbursement.

Summer Show July 8-12, 2022 / Sandy Bocynsky's "Last Round-Up of the Guacamole Queens"

Director, Sandy B, was in attendance and provided info for this show.

The initial rehearsal kickoff will be May 17th with the read-thru of all cast members.

Dave Stevens has committed to being in charge of Sound.

Robin Murray will do Lighting.

Kathy Miller will be House Manager.

Patsy Krueger will do Props.

Backstage Managers will be Barbie Bergerson on Right and Ricki O'Keeffe on Left.

Sandy B. said everything was progressing well and the show was in great shape.

Fall Show is "Sex Please, We're 60" and Director is Jo Berlin.

Sandy P gave an update on this show, since Jo is out of town until August. Twelve people had picked up scripts for role needs of four females and two males. Auditions will be held either in the Cottonwood Ballroom or Dance Room (TBD) on August 23rd and 27th.

2023 March Dinner Show / Sandy Pallett scheduled for Mar 19-23rd, 2023

Sandy P gave some info on this 2023 production. It's called "The Case of the Malted Falcon", aka Dead Bird. Performances will be at the Oakwood Ballroom in March 2023.

New General Manager at Cottonwood – Greg

Greg said the GM at Cottonwood is retiring and a replacement will start in August.

There was discussion as to whether or not there should be a review of agreements.

There also was some discussion as to the ownership of the lights that SLCT purchased for the Cottonwood Ballroom. MJ stated that Merrie Crawford said nothing is in writing. Jim B said he would clarify. It was decided by all that there should be no meeting set up at this time. It's best to let the new GM get settled in and then further discussion could take place at a future BOD meeting, likely Sept / Oct.

Other Business: Greg

With the allocation of moving props and décor boxes to additional locations, there is now more storage space.

Robin has volunteered to help mark boxes and assist in moving them. Sandy P has offered to help Robin organize the boxes.

*MJ needs a dolly to move props and equipment.

*We will also need to rent two trucks for the next play since Bill Becker and his truck are not available in July. One with a liftgate and one standard. They are needed for transport of production equipment and for dump trips which will incur dump fees.

*Doors and wood need to be purchased for set building. Batteries are needed for power tools.

It was suggested that a ceiling of up to \$1000 be allowed for the above needs {*}. Approved by MJ and seconded by Jim B. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

There is still a desire and need to have an Acting Class set up for members.

Phyllis Novy will continue The ImproVables thru the summer.

MJ looked into getting bids on new sound equipment. The Body Packs are old and not worth repairing. There were issues in the last performances with voices cutting in and out intermittently. Dave Stevens met with Sandy B to discuss the issue. It was determined that the incorrect frequency was used during the last play for transmission but Body Packs would still be needed going forward. MJ presented two bids, one from Sweetwater and another from Clearwing Productions, with Clearwing offering the better quote. MJ asked for the Clearwing Bid to be accepted. Approved by Robin and seconded by Kate with a motion carried by unanimous voice vote. MJ will contact them to see what our payment options are since our available budget at this time is not sufficient.

MJ mentioned that we need to make sure the next couple of plays go smoothly, in order to maintain a good relationship with Cottonwood. There were a couple of issues with the last play and it's important not to repeat those issues again.

The new computer that MJ requested last month was put on hold.

Michael Carter has created a spreadsheet to track the new members' skills and interests. Some felt that Michael's sheet combined topics where the application has them separated. The spreadsheet will be refined as needed. A sub-committee was created to include Kate, Robin, Michael and the Hospitality Member, Marcia Greene, to follow up with applicants.

Greg stated that the SLCT Production Guidelines showed ticket prices were \$15. Ticket prices for the Summer Show is now \$20. A motion was made to update the Guidelines to show ticket prices are now a minimum of \$20. Michael said the increase in ticket pricing helps with labor costs. MJ also stated that the printing costs have increased from \$250 to now >\$400. Motion was approved by MJ and Jim B seconded. The motion was carried with a unanimous voice vote.

MJ to revise payment vouchers so they are standardized. Helpers are now paid \$30 an hour thus having sufficient workers.

Barry Berger requested approval to purchase a splitter cable for his home computer monitor to help with The Asides. Price is only \$20 and was approved by President Greg.

Sandy B would like to be notified when she is on the agenda.

Entertainment ideas are needed for the Cool Down Party, August 14th at Oakwood Poolside.

Greg suggested we make our reservation now for our Annual Holiday Party, December 13th.

Open Houses are scheduled for October to recruit new members. SLCC will be October 1st, CW/PV will be October 8th at Cottonwood, and IronOaks will be October 29th at Oakwood.

Sandy B said Horton Shows will resume in the Fall. Michael Carter said he will forward the new members' names who are interested.

Our next BOD meeting will be via Zoom on Tuesday, June 14th, 2022, at 9 am. Greg will be away and Jim B will facilitate. Jim B will be away in July. Greg will be away in August.

With there being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Jim B and seconded by MJ.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:44am.