

**SUN LAKES COMMUNITY THEATRE**  
**VIRTUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**JULY 12, 2022**  
**VIA ZOOM** (Final Approval 8/9/22)

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

Absent Board Members: Jim Brown, MJ Clement

Other Participating SLCT Members: Sandy Pallett, Sandy Bocynesky, Barry Berger, John Zoeller, Jim Nielsen, Dave Stevens

Call to Order: 9:05 AM by President Greg Posniack

Check for Quorum: Five 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 June 14, 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 June 30, 2022 was presented by Greg, in Cindi's absence. Kate accepted the report and Robin seconded.

Membership report – Greg

Our current number of members is now at 102.

Grant Report: Greg

We were recently notified by the State of Arizona that a Grant has been approved but we are unsure of the timeline.

Starting in the new year, we might qualify for a National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) federal grant. A Unique Entity Identifier (UEI#) is required, and we would need to register at SAM.gov and Grants.gov. Kate volunteered to start on the lengthy process.

## Publicity Report: Kate

There are 4 articles in the August Splash. One outlining the auditions for the upcoming Fall Play. One giving an overview of the Board's approval of the Musical participation with Chandler High School. Another explaining that SLCT is returning to the elementary schools. And then a glowing review of THE LAST ROUND-UP OF THE GUACAMOLE QUEENS, the current play that recently ended. October articles are being planned. John Z asked for copies of the articles to be sent to him so he can add to the website.

## Summer show "Last Round-up of the Guacamole Queens"

Sandy B said the audiences seem to be pleased with the production.

As of today, at 8AM, there were 403 tickets sold, thus bringing in \$8060.

It was questioned if perhaps the summer shows should be decreased to 4 shows and Sandy B disagreed.

## Website Issues Jim Nielsen scheduled for 10:00AM

Jim Nielsen joined our meeting at 9:55AM.

He explained how the website went down with critical issues a week ago.

He spent a very long time to have the issues resolved. He spoke with several Tech Support staff members and finally requested to be connected with the Supervisor. He finally got a callback from the supervisor at 11:30PM. He was notified that there were several severe issues, one important one being there was no backup of our server.

Changes and upgrades were needed with GoDaddy and WordPress. Our PHP Code was outdated and we were charged \$80 to update it. Jim felt these issues always seem to occur during the time of ticket sales.

Jim outlined what was needed:

1. We need to purchase a Security License/SSL
2. We need massive Malware Protection
3. We need an easier way to update our website and easily reach help when needed
4. Automatic backups are a MUST

Jim gave a review of our options: We pay \$20 a year for our Domain Name and \$189 a year for rental space for our website. There are 4 different levels of support. Basic,

Select, Ultimate Support/Unlimited and Business. The suggested Hosting Plan is \$12.99 a month, which is roughly \$156 a year. After one year, it would increase to \$19.99 a month, which is roughly \$240 a year and when added to the other costs, it would be less than \$500 a year, to secure the website, which is very reasonable. Greg made a motion to approve this plan in going forward. Kate approved and Robin seconded and a unanimous voice vote was given as well. Upon this vote of acceptance, Jim N left the meeting.

Sound and Light issues: Dave Stevens left the Meeting @0943 after this discussion

Dave was invited to this meeting in order to explain some of the issues that are occurring with the sound equipment currently in use.

He stated that the Sound Budget was not being used.

Many materials need repair and/or replacement.

Microphones have no frequencies of their own.

It would be beneficial to go to digital mics.

Robin stated that running Lighting is much easier and perhaps it would be easier to rotate techs on Sound. Dave disagreed. He said you cannot split up sound techs. In addition to running the board you also need someone to run sound effects.

The other SLCT techs are good at what they do, but it's rough when they leave for an extended amount of time.

Sandy B stated that Dave Stevens came out of retirement to do her show.

There are few people in Sound and Lights. Robin said that is frustrating and The Bench needs to get built out.

A Directional Antenna was used but a different type is needed. Dave Stevens said an Omni Directional one is recommended. Dave said he and MJ will discuss what is necessary.

Greg said Sound is important and in addition to the grant, there are savings available to get what is essential.

It was suggested that it would be helpful to find someone with a Ham Radio background.

Barry was asked to send out an Eblast or put an article in Asides to recruit skilled volunteers.

Update of ticket sales policy: John Z.

John Z will work on this after the current play ends.

Update of Directors Guidelines

Sandy B and Sandy P will work on this after the current play ends.

Actors workshop

Robin has agreed to facilitate the two classes with Diana Nelinson and Merrie Crawford.

Fall Meeting programs

Newly proposed committee will meet later this week.

Fall show, Sex Please, We're Sixty

Jo Berlin, the Director, is not due back until August 13<sup>th</sup>.

Sandy P said 14 scrips were handed out. There are 2 male roles and 1 is very strong.

2023 March Dinner show – Sandy

Sandy P said auditions will start in early December and move then into rehearsals.

Sandy P also reported that Merrie C has a Summer 2023 show planned.

Update Production Guidelines

Further discussion is needed to determine who will do this.

## Any other business

Jim B is leaving for NC within the next few months. A replacement will be needed to finish up his term which ends Mar 2023. Kate's term for the position she took over for also ends March 2023. The remaining BOD have these time limits left on their terms: Greg and Robin have 1½ years remaining. Michael, MJ and Sharon have 2½ years remaining in their terms. Barry was asked to place an article in The Asides to look for interested members. Kate suggested John Z, the Ticket Sales Rep, since he's been attending the last few meetings.

Greg reminded everyone that he will not be attending the August meeting, since he will be out of the country.

Michael C also informed us that he will not be here for the next 2 meetings.

There was discussion about returning to in-person meetings, which would start at 10AM. No final decision was made.

Sharon has agreed to send out a Thank You to Marcia Greene for allowing SLCT to use her mobile number for ticket sales and other questions, until a final determination is made on the number previously used by SLCT.

Our next BOD meeting will be via Zoom on Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 9 am. Greg will be away and Jim B will facilitate.

With there being no further business, a motion to adjourn was proposed by Greg and approved by Robin and seconded by Michael.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:32am.