

SUN LAKES COMMUNITY THEATRE
VIRTUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2024
VIA ZOOM **(Final Approval 2/13/2024)**

Participating Board Members: Greg Posniack, Kate King-Turner, MJ Clement, John Zoeller, Sharon Gerdik, and Robin Murray. Nancy Patterson arrived late due to Horton.

Absent Board Members: None

Other Participating SLCT Members: Barry Berger, Brian Haynie, Sandy Bocynsky

Call to Order: Greg P. called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM.

Check for Quorum: Quorum was met with six (6) members in attendance for minutes approval.

Proposal of Accepting Meeting Minutes of Last Meeting: Kate made a motion to approve and John Z seconded. No one opposed.

Treasurer's Report: Cindi was not in attendance, due to Horton, but sent the report out to members for review prior. Kate made a motion to approve and MJ seconded. No one opposed.

Rex's Exes Final Financial: Updated financial report was reviewed and all seemed appropriate.

Membership Report: Currently we have 106 members with the newest addition of Marilyn Holt's husband, Earl Holt, joining, since he now is participating in Horton. Checks for annual dues are being confirmed.

Grant Report: Still pending.

Holiday Party: Kate reported that the holiday party was fun but over budget. A total of \$903 was spent. Food was \$303 over budget. It was felt that the original budget of \$250 was just not realistic and higher costs will be planned for next year. Kate said she paid the Duo entertainment \$400 since she couldn't find anyone to accept less. All in all, guests seemed to enjoy the evening.

Variety Show: Nancy/Kate There are 13 acts scheduled for the variety show. There will be an MC meeting this week. The tickets were sold out within hours. Unfortunately, there were no other nights to add shows with what was available. John Z asked if there would be other acts available going forward and that is the hope and expectation.

Children's Theater: Sandy P was not in attendance due to Horton. Greg reported that rehearsals went well and the first performance was today. He mentioned that children are easy to entertain. There will be a follow-up on these activities at Thursday's meeting.

Fox on the Fairway: Sandy B It was announced that 9 guys took scrips. Auditions will take place on the 11th. Only one female auditioned for a role. Sandy will announce the need for females to audition for this play at this Thursday's meeting. If no others audition then the play would need to be cancelled.

Murder at the Café' Noir: Sandy P was not in attendance and since it is way too early for needed info, this will be revisited at a later date.

Publicity Report: Kate updated that articles were submitted to The Splash and San Tan News in regards to the Variety Show and auditions for *Fox on the Fairway*. At least 3 publicity articles will appear in February print, including the February ImproVables show on Feb. 21st. Also, cute pix of Children's Theatre costumes will be shared and possibly an article on Adam Guinn, our guest speaker from Hale Centre Theatre at this Thursday evening GMM. Barry asked if he was needed to bring his camera and Kate responded that she didn't want to impose on him and she would be able to take some photos.

Website Issues Report: Webmaster, Brian Haynie, reported there were no website issues.

Sound and Light Issues: MJ reported that the Lighting Console still needs to be checked and will be brought to ClearWing since the lights worked intermittently during the last show. If it turns out not to be the console, then it would be a Cottonwood issue.

Cottonwood Issues / Meeting: Greg announced that Dave Patterson mentioned that GM, Steve Hardesty, had asked for some possible dates to meet with the SLCT President. Dates were provided and one will be chosen soon. MJ reminded everyone that the FunLakers get their bar sales included in their total food income. We should get the same. It was also stated that Mandy, who managed Food and Beverage Services, and one of the Joshes are no longer at Cottonwood.

Play Reading Committee Refresh Roger Edmonds provided the current list of the PRC members to Greg. Kathy Miller has been a member since 2021. Merrie Crawford since 2022. Phyllis Novy since 2022. Jess Alberts was just added in 2024. Roger Edmond has been the Chairman for 3 years or more. Two members had submitted requests to become a PRC member. Sally Holberg sent an email saying she would be interested in there was a need. Maria Blanding submitted an impressive resume'. There was a brief discussion as to whether the BOD should have an Ad Hoc committee to approve PRC members. At this time, the BOD voted on Maria Blanding getting the spot. Greg asked Kate to kindly notify Maria of the BOD's decision.

Greg will notify Roger of the added member. Barry had volunteered to send out the PRC Protocol to this meeting's attendees but then Brian Haynie discovered them on the website and read the description.

Sandy B said that the interaction of the Play Director of plays being considered by the Play Reading Committee is key and previously was sought should the Committee have concerns regarding the play. It appears that following COVID, changes were made but now the previous protocol needs to be revisited.

Improvables: Phyllis was not able to attend and provided this short report to Sharon for inclusion to the minutes.

I will not be able to attend the BOD meeting this month. Please submit the following update:

The ImproVables have returned to our Monday morning practices, following our holiday break. We are working hard on our upcoming dinner show at SLCC. This will be on Feb. 21, and will have a Valentines theme.

We are also excited to announce that we have booked a dinner show at Oakwood! That date is April 9.

Any Other Business

Greg P announced that our insurance premium renews on Jan 17th, for \$2367. The new amount increased by \$277 a year, which was deemed inline with insurance increases. Greg asked for a motion to approve, which was so moved by Kate and seconded by MJ. No one opposed.

Further discussion took place in regards to the proposed Makeup Class. Uncertain if teacher would provide supplies or those attending would bring their own makeup materials. Nancy brought up a possible fee of \$300 for the instructor. Students could possibly pay \$10 each. Robin brought up that her dance group does their own makeup and might be interested, as well. Currently, Nancy has a High School Drama Teacher and a Drama Teacher from Chandler-Gilbert Community College who might be able to instruct a class. Sandy B reminded everyone that SLCT has their own kit which Tenni Annen has. Kate said she would send out an Eblast via Barry to determine if there's an interest in this type of class. She suggested she could announce this as well at Thursday's GMM to gauge interest.

Robin will announce at Thursday's GMM the BOD openings of 2. There is no guarantee to a specific title or duty. After the vote, the BOD meets in an Executive Session to iron out the positions.

Now with the needed spot filled on the PRC, Greg will meet with Roger E and notify him that he would remain as Chairman for one year max only. According to the PRC Committee Protocol, there should be seven members and One Non-voting BOD Liaison. Three-year terms are specified.

John Z brought up that the Policy Book, Production Guidelines, were being updated in Jan 2023. There was to be a vote of approval but the guidelines still needed updating by MJ. MJ committed to get this done. Once John Z receives the changes, he will send out to the BOD members so an approval can be recorded.

Sharon had questioned why MJ's BOD title was changed to Technology and Publicity. It seemed that no one knew where that change came from. Brian Haynie, Webmaster, confirmed that was still being shown at the website, but he changed it back to Tech Liaison.

MJ reminded everyone that SLCC had offered a room for the 18 scheduled rehearsals at \$30 each, for *Fox on the Fairway*. A check was already available when and if this need arose.

With no further business to discuss, Greg entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was so moved by Kate and seconded by Robin. All responded in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:54 AM.

Next Zoom BOD meeting is February 13th, 2024.