

February 17,2015

## Ouachita Little Theatre Board Minutes

Present: Rudi's, Judy K, Wayne Johnson, TJ, Marilyn Brown, LaDonna, Robbie, Lamar. Guests included: Barefoot Annie, Jeffrey Matthews, Judy Thompson.

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm.

Minutes have been emailed and online on the website. Wayne made a motion to approve the minutes and Marilyn seconded and they were approved.

Financial report for Arvest. \$1103.00 deposit for DixieSwimClub. So we have enough to pay our monthly bills. Dixie Swim Club second weekend will help with the Bensons. Then we will be broke again.

Building Committee -reported that the exit lights, emergency lighting, termite damage on suite A and B need to be checked into. We still need to move the wall upstairs, still need cabinetry, and fire escape. Jeffrey reported it is nice to be able to walk thru and help with cleanups. Fire extinguishers need to be looked at and we need a new one in back porch. We do have pests and critters. A Motion that Jeffrey check into exterminator issue-was made by Judy k, Ladonna second, so moved. Jeffrey will check about the fire extinguishers and emergency exits. Wayne made the motion and Marilyn seconded. Jeffrey will get light covers moved on house lights to the front of the auditorium. Wayne is looking into replacement covers for the other lights.

Membership-marilyn emailed us a chart concerning membership and we need to get on it and get those members back. Maybe personal calls will need to be made in April. Get rid of ad pages out of the program was discussed. Who buys because of the cards?

Thanks to Marilyn for her hard work. Wayne made the motion to table it till next month—all in favor except one. Motion passed.

Judy Thompson reported that the Guild has not met since November. Karen Mosier has been out of pocket. . Next meeting will be 2weeks from tomorrow (March 4). They hope to get a spring fundraiser together for us.

Funding request—Nate Bell was asked to make an official request for funding. They are debating in this legislative session, but probably no money.

Hot dog fundraiser at Atwoods will be held July 18.

Arts celebration will be the 1st weekend in November. We need to start thinking about what we will do to recognize our theatre this year.

Publicity for Dixie Swim Club consisted of articles and pictures in paper, radio ads and giveaways, sent out cards to 150, emails, and on the web. Thanks to Judy Thompson for a great job!

Theatre cleanup—again thank the folks for their hard work.

Everything is labeled, Jeffrey will get the outside storage area organized before the set is removed for Dixie Swim Club . Property manager will be Jeffrey Matthews.

Suite A has been rented to Renee Alcon and she has paid 300.00. The business will be an artistic store with Jeff and Tim.

Grant for A&P commission was filled out by Rudi. He filled it out asking for \$1500. No answer yet.

Readers theatre is up and going. Hope to make a presentation soon as a fundraiser. They meet the first Sat. of each month at 2:30 pm. Eyes of apostles possibly for summer, let's not give up on this.

Phone line costs \$49 a month. Financially it does not make sense. . Wayne makes a motion to suspend the phone, Ladonna seconded. Passed.

Lou and Sandy had laminate flooring that has been redone so they offered it to us . They replaced a vacuum cleaner that we now have. As we think of a future remodel of the front area we should go back to Tim hesse's design.

All in favor for playwright to send his material.  
Possibly think about Godspell for the future musical.

Benson awards– desserts will be served, set is made, readers theatre and community choir will have skits prepared. Ballots are put together. Paper ballots will be sent out. Short clips on website will be noted on ballots. Tech awards will be given. No voted child awards–medallions will be given. Also added best in musical/no musical.

Judy will get info to Rudi about the presidential service award?

Lamar made motion to adjourn.

Submitted  
Judy Kropp