

Date : October 20, 2015

Board members present:

X	Rudi Timmerman	X	Robbie Burt
X	Brad Storey	X	Justin Fenwick
X	Judy Kropp	X	Bill Hays
X	Marilyn Brown	X	Linda Johnson
X	Lamar Austin	X	Judy Thompson
	Chris Benner	X	LaDonna Van Wolf
	Melanie Buck		

Guests: Barefoot Annie and Beth McMillan

Secretary's Report: Bill moved to accept the minutes and Judy Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passes

Treasurer's Report: We received \$250 for costume rental, \$95 for advance tickets, \$250 membership that was not accounted on the report. We will now be billed on a monthly rate for Centerpoint Energy (\$119.00) and Swepco (\$279.00). This will help our budget to be more consistant.

Committees:

Production: We are having a great production. Thanks to the actors and to Robbie Burt. We received \$1000. In box office first weekend. We need to remember to have our plays the weekend before the Colors CMA Rally. Many attended from CMA.

Box Office: Oct. 23-Judy Kropp; Oct 24-Marilyn Brown; Oct 25-Linda Johnson;

Concessions: Bill needs help for each night

Publicity:

Rudi brought up the idea of a newspaper for the arts, free to the public, or maybe even a newsletter sent out to all members of ARTS organizations. The Gallery has 1500 on their mailing list.

Judy K. brought up the idea of using the sides of our sign to advertise our plays and possibly getting a lighted Marquee sign for on top.

Mentioned that the Chamber did send out info on “the Foreigner”

Play Selection:

House: We still don't know what to do about the leak in the green room wall; the shed will be painted, Bill still has his unit for sale \$600.00, outside wall seems to be losing bond with the cement-Lamar will try to get the name of the people working on the stucco at Grace Bible, and see if they will give us a quote on patching our wall; we have a quantity of mice-we have set up traps, and will continue-Brad is going to look into the problem; Closet needs to be finished to get the janitorial supplies away from the food;

There was a question has to some of the jobs our janitor is doing. Scrubbing the tile in the lobby should be done a couple times a year, the bathrooms in the green room need to be cleaned better-the floors have not been done in there. Brad will talk with our janitor.

Costumes:

Programs: There were 575 programs run at RMCC; some people were invited to attend the dress rehearsal, and one of those people ended up letting over 100 others know about the play. Keep this in mind-directors!

Finance: We will review the budget at the next meeting.

Membership: sent out the initial membership . We will have a kick-off on November 14 from 4-6pm with music and balloons outside; attendees will get to pay \$1.00 for a chance, and we will draw for \$100.00. In the future we should consider electronic membership and we will definitely use PayPal. Follow ups will be sent by email and text.

Outreach: Chris Benner is in charge of having stuff for the ARTs festival. We hope to have tours of the OLT, and possibly face painting. Organizers have asked to use electricity from the OLT and will reimburse us.

Social:

The Guild: nothing to report

JOLT: No one seemed interested in JOLT handing out candy so they will not. *The Lion, the witch, and the Wardrobe* is the Christmas play and will be directed by Brad Story, Lorraine Timmerman, and Katie O'Rear. The cast has been set and they have begun practices.

New Business:

- Suite B will need to be cleaned. Cleaning supplies need to go into Suite B until the closet is ready.
- Judy Thompson made a motion to split \$1000.00 from the restroom project between Brad and Scotty and thank them for their hard labor. Both men had put in over 235 hours. Lamar seconded. Board passed the motion.
- We need to be thinking about an alternative use for the Dragon Room. It cannot be used for practicing when people are on stage-it is too noisy. Suggestions included being a tool room, or storing the props that are currently stored on top of the costume room. The house committee of Brad, Lamar, Justin, and Burt will bring a decision to the board for their approval.
- During the Arts festival, we will have a table for our raffle and a membership table.
- In the green room, it was suggested we cut off a portion of the legs on the church pews and set up on the step level. Others suggested that we make cubbies for props. This will be discussed by the house committee.

Adjourn: Bill Hays made the motion to adjourn and Lamar seconded it.

Respectfully submitted:

Judy kropp