

**Date: January 17th, 2018**

**Board Members Present:**

Rudi Timmerman  
Lamar Austin  
Jackie Biard  
Amanda Baker  
Alexa Night  
Robby Burt  
Jane Buttermilk  
Beth Coogan  
Julie Ulmer

**Guests:** Beth McMillan, Scotty Jenkins, Don Buttermilk

**Secretary's Report:** Jane made the motion to accept last month's minutes, Julie seconded.

<b>Treasurer's Report:</b>	Arvest	\$4,397.06
	Union Bank	\$12,156.90
	First Financial	\$1,804.73
	PayPal	\$1,675.10

(PayPal account and old box office are now joined.)

Don Buttermilk has been paid back for the new sound system.

SNL made \$846.32. These funds are going toward the upcoming lobby renovations.

**Committees:**

**Division Reports:**

Just For Fun Players

JOLT - Jackie reported that the JOLT lock-in January 4th was a great success. The kids had a lot of fun and participated in improv, games and a reader's theater.

Justin Richmond and Annie Baker will be doing a reading from "Company of Wayward Sons" before the feature at the upcoming movie night.

Lyric Players

Office - A good amount of people are ordering copies. Membership is also up. Rudi pointed out that OLT's presence on Main Street contributes to this.

**Production:** Scotty gave a good report on "Farce Of Nature". Set construction is close to being finished and tickets are now on sale. Opening night will be a dinner theatre at Mena Mountain Resort on Valentine's Day. Tickets for the dinner theatre are \$32 each (the price includes the show and dinner). Season ticket holders will receive a discount on this, though, and

will only have to pay for the meal portion of the ticket. Rehearsals are being held at OLT until the final week before the show, when they will be moved to the resort.

The Benson awards will be June 1st. Scotty spoke to Deni about using the resort for this night but nothing has been made official yet.

Auditions for "Annie" will be held March 4th. The show dates are May 17th, 18th, 19th, 24th, 25th, and 26th. The script is available at the Polk County Library for all who are interested. Rudi has already been working on the construction of set pieces.

Box Office :

Concessions:

Publicity: Julie has been having a lot of success with the Mena Star. There will be an article in the first part of February that will advertise everything OLT has planned for February and also will mention Annie auditions.

Play Selection: Lamar talked with Lana Coogan who confirmed the first two weekends of August for Patsy Cline, though we are still waiting to hear about whether the rights for the show are available right now.

The Chekhov one acts directed by John Puddington are tentatively set for October. John asked if it might be possible to do three weekends of this and the Board was favorable. Robby added that Chekhov has great literary value; these one acts hold the potential for a good student turnout.

John has also proposed doing a workshop for "Othello" preceding any auditions. Rudi suggested that this be done through the Just For Fun Players, in that the workshops could then be held at the resort. If it is decided that the show will go to production, then auditions will be held at the OLT.

NEW BUSINESS - We have 10 year batteries for our smoke detectors, per the assistant fire chief's request. The fire extinguishers still need maintenance. Jackie is the emergency contact for the Fire Marshall.

The Lobby Committee agreed to vote on the tile color following the meeting.

Jane submitted a Key Proposal that she worked on with Brad and Beth (see attached). All door locks will first be re-keyed. The deposit for anyone needing to borrow a key will be \$25, cash or check, but this exempts board members and office staff. Emergency spares will be kept in the Office with a directory in a binder, to be kept track of by the House Manager. The Board agreed that the purchasing of keys by anyone should be prohibited.

Jane suggested that we start asking for donations for costume rentals. She also suggested a volunteer program in which volunteers receive rewards for a certain amount of work, in that

costume rental may be worked off. Beth said that this would also be a good opportunity for National Honor Society members to log volunteer hours. The committee includes Jane, Beth, Jessica and Julie.

Rudi entertained the idea of having an audit done. Jane motioned that we should, Lamar seconded and the motion passed.

Beth and Justin will be hosting another SNL night on June 7th and 8th during Lum & Abner.

Don Buttermilk brought up the issue that stage mics are being hit and damaged. When sets are being done and when a show is not currently in production/performances, all mics should be up.

The February movie will be You've Got Mail. Napoleon Dynamite was a huge hit with a large teen turnout. Julie suggested the idea to do a Rodgers & Hammerstein festival with South Pacific and The King And I, precluded by an educational article in the paper, which is sure to draw in a big senior crowd. She suggested also that we also hold a themed costume night in October in which patrons dress as their favorite movie character, and also suggested we continue our tradition of showing a silent movie in May following the members' meeting.

Rudi brought up the idea for a new traveler curtain. The Board voted that the curtain should be 5 foot and reversible, with black on one side and grey on the other.

Lamar moved that to adjourn, Jane seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexa Night (filling in for Judy Kropp, Secretary.)