

Date : January 26, 2023

Board members present:

X	Alex Night	X	Jered Biard
X	Brad Story	X	Robby Burt
X	Judy Kropp	X	Ann Glenn
X	Bill Hays	X	Jessica Kropp
		X	Makayla Kenyon-Ortiz
X	Lamar Austin	X	Rudi Timmerman
X	Amanda Baker	x	Julie Ulmer

Amazing! Everyone was here! So glad to see everyone. We also had two visitors-Sarah and Marvin!

Secretary's Report: The secretary's report was approved by Jessica and seconded by Ann and the board approved the minutes of the last meeting.

Treasurer's Report: as of 12/31/2022

Arvest (general fund) \$4482.25
Union Bank (Building) \$14,874.87
First Financial (concessions) \$5173.78

3. Office Report—Alex

The first bit of business is that Alex has work to do, and she will be very busy until June 2nd (after the Bensons). **Please** try to remember and not plan on spending time just chit chatting. Thanks everyone!

The wifi has to be worked on. It is taking way to long and then people just stay in the office and again time is money.

Alex will have all the addresses so she can send out SAVE the DATE to Benson nominees by the next Benson meeting (FEB 8 @ 5:30)

Alex also thanked Bill for getting some new memberships. He told us you just got to go into the places and talk to people.

4. Artistic Director Report—Judy

A. logos – Judy was very adamant on the use of logos and how the contracts have changed. We cannot just put up anything, most usually it has to be approved. The authors names always have to be on publicity and sometimes who the production agency is. Let's not be in a hurry to do something because Judy's name is on the contracts and she would rather not be sued and none of the board wants to be sued either.

B. royalties – to do a year plan we must lock down the shows by having a deposit or something. The royalties for Little Shop of Horror will be \$3250.00 and this needs to be paid now. Royalties for The Fantasticks will be around \$3000. And we need to pay a deposit on that now. We will also need to do that for our fall show.

C. LYRIC sign – Judy checked with the local sign place and they gave her an option with printouts which she showed to the board. It would cost approximately \$35,000.00. Bill thinks he has a cheaper place in Hot Springs. He's to get us info.

D. thoughts on play selection committee Judy handed Lamar some thoughts concerning a timetable for the Play Selection committee. If we want to advertise a year in advance that might be the timetable to follow. Lamar is doing a great job by starting in January.

E. Orbison show – Was well attended by the older crowd. He did not do an intermission for the second show (sad-especially since Bill had popped corn and was waiting for the intermission before cleaning up) The 2:00 show was well received and we should consider that again. We made about \$1200 to go to our \$4000 Burn the Mortgage Debt. Judy apologized to all those that had to do extra work and she had not personally contacted. (a BIG thankyou to Robbi and Gini, Bill and Kristie, Brad and Scotty, Box office) Judy has made notes so that this will not happen in the future.

F. Lana Judy has been in contact with Lana and we are looking at the dates of Mar 31/April 1 for a ladies of country show. More details to come. I will sign contract with her, make sure she has done the royalty part, and she should have her own liability insurance.

G. Insurance- Judy explained to everyone that when they pay a membership they can get insurance if they are a volunteer but we do not insure all of our members. Insurance is due Jan to Jan so if you pay your membership in May, you could have insurance till Dec. Then the following January you would need to pay approximately \$4.00. Insurance is separate from Membership and has always been this way.

5. House—Brad

Brad is checking to see who all has keys and which key each person has.

He will be getting with Jered to drill a hole for a cable so that the wifi will work faster.

Thank you to Robbie and Gini for scheduling a work day and all the work that got done.!

All the paint has now been moved to the green room area. Thanks Brad!

The floor is sinking in the office and in the bathrooms. Someone very slim needs to get down there and crawl around and see what is going on. We may have to fix our foundation some- “not use it on a LYRIC sign!”

6. Play Selection—Lamar

We had a meeting and have the following schedule

FEB-You Can't Take It with You
MAY- Little Shop of Horrors
JULY/Aug – Fantasticks
October- looks like Clue will be approved
DECEMBER- we are looking at a Readers Theatre with the Ouachita Roasters. It is in the beginning stages but looks very promising!
Rudi asked whether we were planning a 100th Celebration this year. No response! (Maybe if we get the mortgage debt gone!)

7. IT Report—Jered

Jered has the thumb drive with the clips for nominations of the Bensons. He will be working to get that set up!

He will get the wifi to the office completed

It would be awesome if we could get a couple of tablets donated to us (not necessarily brand new) so we could use it with box office and concessions.

Jered mentioned that he will be having spinal surgery in March and will probably be in Dallas and unavailable for about 6 weeks. We wish him the best!

8. Box office—Amanda

None to report

9. Publicity—Julie

A. Movie night-not sure of a date for the next movie until Makayla has her schedule. We will probably do an old musical rather than something new. We need to be careful about showing movies.

B. Publicity Very happy that we had articles in both papers for the upcoming play. Please be sure that Julie has all the correct information so she doesn't need to go back to them with corrections. Only the director should be telling Julie what needs to go into the paper. If you have questions, go to the director about corrections, etc.

C. Chamber of Commerce -also has a magazine that goes to all the hotels, b&bs, vbos, etc as well as their newsletter. It costs \$125.00 for a much bigger ad than the Mountain Frontier magazine. Julie feels we would get much more benefit from our local Chamber than the other. **Rudi made a motion that we pay for this, Amanda seconded and motion passed.**

10. Readers Theatre-Ann

They will be having their monthly meeting on January 28 at 2:30 pm

They have been asked to perform at the Sociable Senior meeting in February. She is looking for something appropriate for Valentines Days

She is also looking for a Christmas Readers Theatre for use at the Ouachita Roasters in December. Possibly Gift of the Magi might be selected!

11. Adjourn

Makayla made a motion to adjourn, Lamar seconded and the meeting was closed.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Kropp, secretary