

2019 ICTA Membership Meeting

President Jason Paull convened the Iowa Community Theater Association meeting at the 2019 AACT/Fest-sponsored Iowa Festival in Newton at 1:12 P.M. on March 30, 2019. He proceeded to call the roll by naming all of the theater members and individual members and asking them to announce their presence.

The minutes of the 2018 membership meeting from the Convention in Webster City were read by secretary, Donna Smithson. Mel Wilson moved acceptance; Tracy Rhodes seconded; carried.

Treasurer Gerard Schwickerath presented the financial report. For the 2019 calendar year there has been an income of \$1,689.00 basically from theater and individual membership plus interest. Expenditures have been \$21.87 to Pal Pay and \$950.15 for Festival. These numbers are all subject to change as the Festival records are compiled. The L.K. Boutin fund contains a net value of \$34,236.65 with \$950.00 set aside for Great River Players and New Minowa Players for their grants awarded in 2018. Cheryl Clark moved the report be accepted; David Kilpatrick seconded; carried.

Jason listed good things that are happening in the organization:

- 18 different theaters had submitted shows for review with a total of 48 shows.
- The web has been updated with a self-service calendar. Theatre members add their own shows.
- New or renewing members may conduct their applications on line.
- 501(c)3 has been brought up-to-date.
- The institutional rules have been reviewed and updated.
- Loween Getter, even though she did not rerun for the board, is willing to produce "Center Stage", and she is always encouraging people to supply her with news.

Awards Committee - Mel Wilson - Requests for reviews and scoring are now online. In case of a tie in a category, the computer makes the decision. Musicals and dramas are separate; children's plays are separate; the categories of sound and light were separated.

Institutional Review Committee - Norman Ussery - Copies were distributed and suggested changes were formatted so they were very obvious: term limits, one board member per theater, category for business

membership. For future consideration a suggestion from the floor as to whether there was only a maximum number on the board or if there should also be a minimum.

Because these items came from a committee, a second was not needed.

Events Committee - Cheryl Clark - A survey will be provided to attendees as input for any improvements that can be made. The 2020 ICTA Convention will be March 27-29 at the Des Moines Playhouse.

Membership Committee - Loween Getter - Brochures and business cards were distributed, and people were asked to share them with theaters who are not members. A new theater may receive its first year of membership free. "Center Stage" is now available electronically. It is published quarterly with a special edition after the annual Festival and Convention.

Nominations Committee - Helen Beneke - Three current board members have either resigned or decided not to run again: Loween Getter, Rick Myers, Christal Lewiston. Five candidates were asked to introduce themselves and explain what strengths they thought they could bring to the board.

Gerard Schwickerath - financial training and experience

David Kilpatrick - information regarding a different region's activities and institution rules

Aaron Kvale - youth experience and challenging the community

John Olson - experience in all aspects of theater and with multiple theaters

Norman Ussery - performed in both professional and community plays; involved since a child

No nominations or volunteering was offered from the floor. Loween Getter moved nominations cease; Pam Ratliff seconded; carried. Gerard Schwickerath moved that Tammy Sposeto be elected to the empty seat on the board; Cheryl Clark seconded; carried. Gerard Schwickerath moved that nominations be closed; Sue Beukema seconded; carried. Norman Ussery moved election of all six by acclamation; John Olson seconded; carried.

At 1:55 P.M. Pam Ratliff moved adjournment; Cheryl Zieringer seconded; carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Smithson, Secretary