

IOWA COMMUNITY THEATRE ASSOCIATION

The Iowa Community Theatre Association (ICTA) board of directors met at the theatre in Rowan, November 10, 2012.

Present: President Loween Getter, Vice President Rick Meyers, Secretary Peg Brown, Treasurer Gerard Schwickerath, Carol Bellairs, Helen Beneke, Molly Ketchum, Austin Kopsia, Melanie Mayberry, Pamela Ratliff, Kathy Schnell, Donna Smithson and Cheryl Zieringer.

President Loween called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. The agenda was distributed. Introductions were made.

Minutes of the September 22 meeting were not read as they were previously published in the recent newsletter. Gerard made a motion, second by Rick, to approve the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

The treasurer's written report was distributed and reviewed. All questions were answered. Rick made a motion, second by Helen, to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Funds available for the L.K. Boutin grant awards are \$834.98. Gerard stated that \$200 could be transferred from the general checking account to add to the funding for the grant requests. Requests were received from Ankeny Community theatre in the amount of \$443 for flats, storage containers, garment racks for children's theatre, Ames Children's Theatre in the amount of \$500 for "Play with Words" workshop with Ames Public Library and Iowa State Center to create 3 productions, Audubon Country Players in the amount of \$500 to replace muslin flats, New Minowa Players in the amount of \$250 for two workshops for high school-aged and adults, and the Windsor Theatre for \$500 to purchase a spot light. Each application was discussed in detail. The board representative from the Windsor Theatre was asked to leave the meeting during discussion and voting. Rick made a motion, second by Molly, to move funds from the checking account to the Boutin account, and fund the Ankeny request for \$443 and the Windsor request for \$500. Upon vote, the motion carried. Gerard will follow up with appropriate notifications.

Pam reported the 2013 Festival to be held in Newton April 4-6, will use the Holiday Inn Express for guest reservations. The festival will begin Thursday night with a welcome party and end on Saturday after the Gala. Adjudicator names were shared.

It was reported that State Convention in 2014 is scheduled for Wilson's Performing Arts in Red Oak.

Rick reported a Facebook page is up. Kathy has a group. Members were encouraged to use Facebook.

The website was discussed. After considerable discussion, Austin made a motion that Melanie research the best alternative Website, determine costs and make a recommendation to the board. A second was given by Pam and upon vote, the motion carried.

Due to a time constraint, the draft copy of the Standing Rules was not discussed. Peg was asked to send an e-mail copy to each member so they may respond with additions and/or corrections. Approval will be made at the February meeting.

Rick presented a copy of a membership certificate. All agreed it looked professional. Upon membership renewal beginning January 2013, theatres will receive a membership certificate signed by the President and Treasurer.

The Awards of Excellence was discussed. After considerable discussion, Gerard made a motion "the intent for a production to be reviewed MUST be received by the ICTA designate (the Treasurer) 30 days prior to the show, a nomination form outlining the portion of the production to be reviewed will be submitted to the ICTA designate 2 weeks prior to the opening night. In the event no ICTA board member is available for the review, the nominating individual will be notified. The motion was given a second by Austin. Upon vote, the motion carried. There were 2 Nay votes and 1 abstaining vote.

Center stage is published 4 times a year - January, April, July and October. The deadline for information to be received for the January issue is December 2012.

Clarification discussion was held regarding the Boutin applications. Austin made a motion, second by Helen, the application should stand as submitted. There should be no telephone calls, no representative to discuss the application. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be at the Sioux City Community Theatre, 1401 Riverside Bldg. on February 9, 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Peg Brown, Secretary