

IOWA COMMUNITY THEATRE ASSOCIATION

The Iowa Community Theatre Association Board of Directors met February 9, 2013, at the Sioux City Community Theatre.

Present: President Loween Getter, Vice President Rick Meyers, Secretary Peg Brown, Carol Bellairs, Molly Ketchum, Austin Kopsa, Jason Paull, Pam Ratliff, Donna Smithson, Mel Wilson and Cheryl Zieringer.

President Loween called the meeting to order at 12:22 P.M.

Molly made a motion, second by Mel, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

The minutes of the November 10, 2012 meeting were read by Secretary Brown. They will stand as read.

In Gerard's absence, Jason gave the financial report.

Jason reported on paid memberships to date. Rick has theatre certificates to be signed by the president and secretary. He will mail them upon notification from Gerard that the theatre membership has been paid for 2013.

Pam reported on the Festival to be held in Newton April 4-6, 2013. Adjudicators named are John Viars, Nancy Eppert and Allen Elbert. production entries may come from Marshalltown, Waterloo, Newton, Wilson's Art Center, Sioux City and Webster City. All are not confirmed to date. The Gala Awards event will be held Saturday evening. Goody Bags will be given to all registrants which will contain a copy of the survey form developed by Kathy, a copy of nominees for the Gala awards, and a copy of nominees for board positions. It was also reported that all who attend festival will pay the registration fee. Considerable discussion was held about the awards review sheet. There appears to be confusion regarding the definition of an ensemble, and how many actors should be reviewed in the "best actor", "best actress", "supporting actor" and "supporting actress" category. Austin made a motion, second by Jason that a committee be formed to develop explanations for the concerns. Motion carried. Cheryl volunteered to chair this committee made up of Rick, Austin and Carol.

A motion was made for Jason to contact Evan Hillscheck of Spencer for consultation on a Web site, second by Austin, and the motion carried.

Rick reported on the Facebook account. The number of "likes" were reported. Rick stated he would be posting information about Festival and upcoming events. He encouraged everyone to use the site. Information can be forwarded to Rick to post.

The Draft of the Standing Rules was reviewed with changes being made. Peg was asked to e-mail the rules with today's revisions to the board for approval at the next meeting.

Discussion was held about getting information to the Wilson's Art Center in Red Oak regarding convention 2014. Carol reported Red Oak will be presenting "Guys and Dolls" June 13-15 and the following week-end. Loween will send them convention information, and let them know they can select the date.

It was reported that Ames will not be able to host the 2015 Festival. Spencer may be interested. Newton will host the Region V Festival in April of 2015.

Discussion was held about how requests for production reviews were handled, as well as checks being deposited while Gerard is away. Loween appointed Mel Wilson to work closely with Gerard and his family to help with some of the treasurer's responsibility.

The due date for information for the Center Stage is March 25. Jason stated he could use colored pictures for articles. He asked about electronic distribution as that would cut costs considerably. The board agreed Center Stage should be mailed out as a hard copy. Some have trouble receiving attachments.

Board members were given an opportunity to share their theatre activities. All were encouraged to use and watch the calendar for productions.

The next board meeting will be held during festival in April at Newton at a time after the annual membership meeting.

The meeting was closed by Loween at 2:40 P.M.

Peg Brown, Secretary