

## IOWA COMMUNITY THEATRE ASSOCIATION

The Iowa Community Theatre Association board of directors met August 22, 2015, at the Webster City Community Theatre.

Present: President Rick Meyers, Vice President Jason Paull, Secretary Peg Brown, Treasurer Gerard Schwickerath, Carol Bellairs, Helen Beneke, Loween Getter, Molly Ketchum, Pam Ratliff, Christine Wolf and Cheryl Zieringer.

President Rick called the meeting to order at 12:20 P.M. Thank you to Loween who provided lunch for everyone.

The minutes of the April 11 board meeting were published in the Center Stage. Helen made a motion, second by Molly, to accept the minutes as published. The motion carried.

Treasurer Gerard distributed copies of the financial statement. Two new theatre members (Urbandale Community theatre & Grinnell Area Arts Council) have paid membership. There are now 37 theatre members and 24 individual memberships.

The report was reviewed and questions answered. Two applicants of the Boutin Grant have not submitted their final reports nor applied for the allocated funds. The due date is December 31, 2015. The Boutin fund shows a deficit due to current interest rates. Molly made a motion to ear-mark \$1,500 (3 Boutin grants of \$500 each) from the general fund to be used for grant applications that will be approved for funding at the October meeting, second by Jason, and the motion carried. Boutin grant information will be mailed out soon with a receipt deadline of October 15, 2015.

Discussion was held about awarding winners of State Festival up to \$500 to help defray expenses to continue on to the Regional Festival. This was last done in 2009. A statement regarding this payment is written in the ICTA Standing Rules Number 5 -f.

Molly made a motion, second by Loween, to approve the treasurer's report. The motion carried.

Loween reported the deadline for information to be included in Center Stage Fall Edition is September 11. News for the Winter Edition is December 11. Compliments from all board members were shared regarding the contents and professionalism of Center Stage. Theatres are encouraged to submit news and