POSSUM POINT PLAYERS ARTISTIC COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 7, 2017

- I. CALL TO ORDER Chairwoman Marsha Shull called the meeting to order at 5:40. Members present were Marsha Shull, Bernie Noeller, Fred Dean, Nina Galerstein, Lorraine Steinhoff, Beth Howlett, Abbey Ruark, Chuck Cutsail, Richard Huffman, and Claudius Bowden Members absent were: Jim Hartzell, Rosanne Pack, Donna Flomp, Cindy Cinnamon, Scott Cinnamon, Ashlie Workman and Chase Schirmer.
- II. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES After a correction of the spelling of Richard Huffman's name, the minutes of August 3, 2017 approved unanimously on motion by Beth, second by Lorraine.
- IIa. CERTIFICATION OF E-MAIL VOTE On motion by Beth, second by Lorraine, E-mail vote on the slate of 2018 main stage directors was unanimously approved. They are: Helen Barlow, California Suite; Jim Hartzell, Hello, Dolly!; Steven Dow, Lend Me A Tenor; Russell Stiles, Our Town and Jerry Gietka, It's A Wonderful Life.

III. REPORTS

A. SHOW DIRECTORS –

- 1. Our Town Russell Stiles attended so he could meet everyone, show us his set design, preliminary budget and tentative rehearsal schedule. He said he met with Jim Hartzell and was given the New Director Packet.
- 2. Fruitcakes John Hulse said auditions are next week, and that he has some people already in backstage roles (Glen Pruitt, Stage Manager, Annie Southmayd, Set Designer, and possibly Jan Glasscock as Music Director). John discussed his vision for the show and hoped to have a large cast, hopefully with some families involved.
- B. EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR Marsha gave the report in Dawn's absence
 - 1. The total # of tickets sold for Beauty and the Beast to date are 530.
 - 2. Due to the resignation of Richard Hudson, PPP is looking for a Bar Manager
 - 3. Dawn has submitted a grant application to Longwood for the roof repair.
 - 4. Additions to the 2018 calendar will be finalized next week.
 - C. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES Beth
 - 1. A grant has been submitted to M&T bank for the roof repair and that we are supposed to hear back from them this week.
 - 2. The Items for Executive Committee Approval, Notification were noted (Abbey Ruark, PJ's president; Lorraine and Ashlie, PJ's advisors; Beth was

selected as EC rep. #1 with Chuck as alternate; or approved (dinner theater recommendations).

D. OTHER AC MEMBERS AND AFFILIATES

- 1. Make-Up: Beth said she purchased some more supplies.
- 2. Reading Committee: Nina reported that the meeting to pick the season for 2019 will occur in October.
- 3. Light and Sound: Chuck reported that they got a 3rd mic for the stage for B&B and he thinks it will enhance the show. They are also using special mics/sounds for just the Beast. Chuck got some new speakers for the stage that he feels really improve the sound, and he and Chase have started putting together the new LED lights (but they are not in use yet).
- 4. Costumes: Marsha has been working on Sundays with the PJ's to clean out the costume room. They are going to have a costume yard sale before Halloween. Proceeds will go to prizes for the PJ Monologue Competition.
- 5. Set Construction: Fred said they still need lots of help for B&B.
- 6. PJ's: Abbey and Lorraine talked about the summer 2018 show. They will likely pick the show at their Nov 19 meeting, so PJ members are being encouraged to submit ideas. Abbey said she will not be directing. They are considering not doing a big musical, possibly a play. There was discussion about how the play and it's Director are chosen at PJ's, and it was explained that it comes from discussion and brainstorming (there is no formal process).
- 7. Dreamers United: Claudius said the title for their fundraiser is "Classical Soul A Night of Motown Hits". DU is meeting Tuesday night to discuss the show, and Claudius is also meeting with 2 bands. The chosen dates are October 19, 20, 21 2018.
- 8. On The Edge: Fred said they are still planning to do "A Doll's House" in February. It will be a workshop production so there will be no formal auditions. Fred did discuss the dates with the main stage director, and wants the show to be the following dates: Feb 16, 17 and 18 2018. Bernie moved that OTE do their show these dates. Beth seconded. All in favor (with one abstention).
- 9. New Faces of Shakespeare: Richard talked about the upcoming event at the Lewes library. He also talked about the 2018 production they are planning (play not chosen yet), but they would like the dates of June 29, 30 and July 1. This was discussed at this meeting with the PJ's and they agreed the dates would work. Fred moved we accept these dates for NFS. Beth seconded. All in favor.
- IV. OLD BUSINESS Marsha asked for a motion for the AC to accept the AARP proposal sent out by President Jon Sharp, actual date still pending. Nina moved we accept the proposal. Richard seconded. All in favor.
- V. NEW BUSINESS Nina said she has met with Jon Sharp and they have begun to work on the Cinema Arts Theater ad. She asked for help coming up with ideas.

VI. CURRENT ITEMS FOR EC APPROVAL, NOTIFICATION OR INFORMATION

- A. Approval Motion for OTE production February 16, 17 and 18.
- B. Approval Motion for NFS production June 29, 30 and July 1.
- C. Information Approval of AARP proposal.

VII. NEXT MEETING DATE -October 10, 2017 at 5:30.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 on motion by Richard, second by Bernie. Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

Respectfully submitted

Nina Galerstein, Acting Secretary