

POSSUM POINT PLAYERS ARTISTIC COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – OCTOBER 10, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER – Chairwoman Marsha Shull called the meeting to order at 5:40. Members present were Marsha Shull, Jim Hartzell, Chase Schirmer, Ron Pakula for PPP Radio Theater, Fred Dean, Lorraine Steinhoff and Rosanne Pack. Members absent were: Claudius Bowden, Richard Huffman, Nina Galerstein, Donna Flomp, Beth Howlett, Cindy Cinnamon, Abbey Ruark, Scott Cinnamon, Ashlie Workman and Chuck Cutsail. Also present were Dawn Conaway, Executive Administrator and H. Barlow, director of California Suite.

II. PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES – After a correction of the spelling of Hello, Dolly!, the minutes of September 7, 2017 were approved unanimously on motion by Rosanne, second by Ron.

IIa. CONFIRMATION OF E-VOTE ON EXTRA PERFORMANCE OF BEAUTY AND THE BEAST. On motion by Rosanne, second by Ron Pakula, the Committee unanimously ratified the E-mail vote on adding the extra performance of Beauty and the Beast.

III. REPORTS

A. SHOW DIRECTORS –

1. *Beauty and the Beast* – Jim Hartzell stated that, in his opinion, this show was an event instead of a show. He explained that the coming together of virtually all elements of the production was of such quality that Beauty and the Beast transcended the definition of a show.

2. *Fruitcakes* - John Hulse said auditions and other efforts had produced about 95%+ of the cast. He is still looking for one more character.

3. *California Suite* – H. Barlow announced that auditions would be November 5, 6 and 7 at 6:30. She is currently working on a directorial staff.

B. EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR – Dawn Conaway

1. The total # of tickets sold for Beauty and the Beast to date is 1248.

2. Dawn had submitted a grant application to The Longwood Foundation for the roof repair. A representative from the foundation visited with her and Fundraising Co-Chair Kenney Workman. They reported that the meeting went well and we have been asked to compile a list of plans or objectives which includes further needs.

3. The grant which Dawn had submitted to M&T bank for the roof repair has been turned down.

C. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES – Rosanne reported The Executive Committee has recommended that Claudius consider one night and one matinee of his fund-raising proposal. Since no Performance

Approval and Usage Agreement has been submitted, no action could be taken by the Artistic Committee.

D. OTHER AC MEMBERS AND AFFILIATES

- 1. Publicity – Rosanne reported that it will probably be the middle of November until we get artwork for the 2018 season. She stated that our graphic artist, Erin Schechtman had decided to stop freelancing, but failed to notify her in a timely fashion and was instructed to work them up ASAP.**
- 2. PJ's - Lorraine reported that next Monday (October 16) would be the PJ's costume and makeup workshop. She stated that meetings are going very well.**
- 3. Marsha reported that several PJ's have been assisting with culling costumes.**
- 3. Lights – Chase reported that a number of new LED lights and equipment had been purchased and were up and running.**
- 4. PPP Radio Theater – Ron reported for Bernie that they have been invited to perform at the Rehoboth Beach Sea Witch festival and that the First Town Club (Lewes) has asked them to perform on November 21.**
- 5. New Faces of Shakespeare: Marsha reported for Richard that the Lewes library performances went well and they have been invited back next year.**

IV. OLD BUSINESS –

- A. PJ Affiliate performance requirements – Chase – No action taken**
- B. Director and show for NFS – No action taken**
- C. Director for OTE performance of A Doll's House – On motion by Chase, Second by Ron, Jim Debastiani was unanimously approved as director.**
- D. Resignation – The resignation of Donna Flomp was accepted with regret unanimously on motion by Rosanne, second by Chase.**

V. NEW BUSINESS – There was no new business to be taken up.

VI. CURRENT ITEMS FOR EC APPROVAL, NOTIFICATION OR INFORMATION

- A. Approval – Motion to accept Jim Debastiani as director for A Doll's House. Dates already approved. (February 16, 17 and 18)**
- B. Information – Acceptance of resignation of Donna Flomp.**

VII. NEXT MEETING DATE –November 2, 2017 at 5:30.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 on motion by Chase, second by Fred.

Respectfully submitted

Jim Hartzell, Secretary