

TAWAS BAY PLAYERS
BOARD MEETING
July 28, 2015

Members Present: Keith Frank, June Hudgins, Pat Casey, Judy Quarters,
Chris Mundy, Susan Duncan, Michal Jacot

Members Absent: Deb DeBois, Sharon Langley

Guests: none

I. Call to Order – 6:30 pm by President Keith Frank.

II. Comments from the Audience (Not already on the agenda: limited to 5 minutes)

III. Reports:

a. Secretary: Sue Duncan presented June minutes, one correction needed: add Judy Quarters to members who attended the meeting. Motion to accept by Michal, second by Pat. Accepted unanimously.

b. Treasurer: Pat Casey shared the financial report. Motion to accept by Michal, second by June Hudgins. No discussion. Unanimously approved.

c. Correspondence: Deb DeBois was at the Iosco County Fair selling TBP Raffle tickets. Judy reported for her that we'd received a thank you from the Iresa Intermediate School staff for the donation of bingo cards used in Queen of Bingo, another thank you from a winner of a turkey during Q of B and an apology from an audience member who became ill unexpectedly. The refreshment crew was praised for their help and consideration to s/he.

d. Membership: June Hudgins reports we continue to have 140 members. The updated membership form will be emailed to present members before the annual meeting in an effort to encourage more involvement and speed up the renewal process during the annual meeting.

e. Summer Raffle: Deb DeBois absent. No report, but word on the street is that snow blowers are not as popular as we thought, but \$ prizes are.

f. Queen of Bingo – seats were nearly 60% filled on average.

IV. New Business

a. Annual Meeting Plans – Sue has all tasks for annual meeting/picnic filled, mostly by past and present board and spouses. Keith reported only 25 rsvp at this time.

b. Car Club Letter- An unhappy response to the special showing of The Queen of Bingo for this family oriented group was received by Keith. The club wanted a partial refund. Discussion on how to correct this negative impact on our reputation resulted in a motion by Michal to “Repay the entire proceeds to the car club for the show.” Second from

- June. “Unanimously approved. Michal will write a letter of apology; Pat will issue a refund check.
- c. Paint donation – a small amount of paint was offered by a patron. Due to a recent large donation from Walmart, it was decided to pass on the offer with thanks to that person.

V. Old Business

- a. A Dozen Legends – Dates of October 30, 31 and Nov. 1 appear to be set with Dennis. He may want to do a second weekend. Confirmation on dates to come.
- b. Camp Cedar Ridge - Costumes and Props loaned out were all returned except for a brief case. Sue will check with Diane Ray.
- c. Mystery Dinner Theatre – a ‘teaser’ email to those who gave addresses will be sent to board members by Sue, then to interested parties. The event is 6 months away, but some anticipation for the January shows may increase ticket sales.
- d. Light cables – Chris is definitely aware that the board has not forgotten that he is taking care of this issue this fall.

VI. Last Minute Agenda Items

- a. Membership card and forms for 2015-2016 were approved. Discussion on using the card as proof of membership when attending dress rehearsals ensued due to some abuse. General consensus was to begin this fall requiring card and/or membership list being used to secure admission to dress rehearsals. Judy will want help with this, as it can be a delicate situation. Notification of this change will be relayed to members continuously in emails, newsletters and verbally at the annual meeting.
- b. Acting Workshop - plans with CTAM support, have been proposed by AAC Member Tara Western and board member Sue Duncan. The workshop would be held in the refreshment room, and possibly on stage on November 7 or October 24. More info to come at the next regular board meeting.
- c. Ticket pricing has now been clarified thanks to Judy. Extreme Tix will charge \$44 per season ticket for on-line purchases; individual on-line tickets will be \$13. Those tickets bought at the box office will remain at \$11. The additional cost of processing is to be born partly by the patron, partly by the theatre. This fee can vary depending on a number of factors: from \$.20 to \$.80 per purchase, but will be absorbed by TBP. The board recognizes the need to add some of this processing fee on to the patron as unwelcome, but necessary. Pat made the motion “To increase on line-ticket costs to cover the expense of issuing the ticket.” Unanimously approved.

- d. Happy Birthday, Dear Grandpa is replacing Messiah on the Frigidaire as our summer show for 2016 due to the director and board members' concerns over its less than family friendly content.
- e. The costume committee will use the pass code for each show to enter the building rather than having a separate code. Sue Duncan and Janie Mundy are the members active on this committee.
- f. Michal has volunteered to revive the 'Play Reading' process as part of play selection. Pat Casey made a motion that "his offer be accepted," Judy Quarters seconded. Unanimously approved.

VII. Adjournment – 7:35pm by unanimous consent!

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Duncan

NEXT MEETING August 9, 2015 Annual Meeting