

TAWAS BAY PLAYERS
Regular Board Meeting
February 27, 2018

Members Present: Keith Frank, Michal Jacot, Pat Casey, Judy Quarters, Susan Duncan, Craig Sayer, Dennis Szatkowski, Sr., Penny Zacharias

Members Absent: Chris Mundy

Guests: Beth Borowski, Stacy Perrot, Ray Skiver, June Hudgins, Sharon Langley and Rodger McElveen

I. Call to Order – 6:32 pm by President Keith Frank.

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

June Hudgins, producer of “Weekend Comedy” and Queen Mum of TBP awarded Rodger McElveen a Director’s chair in honor of having directed his first production for TBP. Congrats to Rodger for a very successful show and special thanks for a great set and tear down experience.

Stacy shared concerns about (and purchasing info) for a new lobby board due to the poor condition of present ones.

III. Reports:

a. Secretary: January minutes submitted by Sue were reviewed.

Motion to accept from Judy, second by Pat. All in favor, passed.

b. Treasurer: January 16 to February 27 financial report made by Pat. Motion to accept by Craig, second by Dennis. Unanimously passed.

c. Correspondence: Judy reported additional money sent for Deb DeBois memorial fund by her sister and brother who approve the idea of purchasing of stage curtains for the theater as her memorial. No other significant mail.

- d. Membership: June Hudgins and Pat agree, again, that we have 117 members.
- e. “Weekend Comedy” Report: Pat has no new bills, only royalty fees for Weekend Comedy. It was a very frugally run play. She thanked Diane Brewer for donating some of the refreshment supplies. Members also donated cookies.
- f. “Then There Were None” Report: Michal has tryouts scheduled for March 5 and 6 at 6:30 pm. He said pre-play production is going well and he and his AD (Laurie Jacot) are having interesting discussions in preparation.
- g. AAC Play Reading Report: Tara sent info. See New Business below, letter b.

IV. New Business

- a. Lobby Board: Stacy Perrot – Table decision on new lobby board for March meeting. See Comments from Audience.
- b. Play Reading Committee: Tara’s proposal -A play reading committee proposal is attached. Board Members received it prior to the meeting. Discussion of the proposal resulted in a consensus that the guidelines suggested aren’t necessary and the committee will remain, as is, a standing committee. The Board wants to continue to allow individuals to approach the Board directly with script suggestions.
 - i. Stacy presented a play reading committee evaluation form for consideration. There was agreement to use it and change it as needed.
- c. AAC Play Suggestions: Craig wanted an explanation of what role the AAC plays in the selection and production of plays. Keith complied.
- d. Adjudicator Tickets – When an adjudicator is requested how can tickets be provided, consistently? Agreement on a process was made. The adjudicator may bring one companion for free, unless the show is sold out. The box office needs to be informed by the producer on all pertinent info well in advance of the date. This info will also need to be shared with producers and directors. It can be added to the production packets.

e. Bank of Stage Lights Out: Can Nick or St. James Electric fix it? Pat is going to check with Nick, as there may no longer be an issue with those lights.

f. Box Office– Pat said the teams dispensing tickets would like a bigger space for welcoming people and dispensing tickets. A window could replace the middle section of that wall. Pat will oversee the restructuring of the space.

g. Box Office Hours – Presently there is little to no use of the hours spent by the box office teams during the week. Starting next season they would like to only be open for one hour of sales before each show, and 1 hour before dress rehearsal.

h. 'In Memory of' Plaque – Pat finds that our plaque space is full. Full approval is given to create a new one. She'll attend to it.

i. Term Switch – Michal would like to end his service on the Board in August 2018. Craig who had a one-year term would assume the rest of his term. As our by-laws don't prohibit this and Craig is in agreement, that's what they'll do.

j. Michael Jons Performances – Agreement on times has been reached. Michael Jons will handle on-line ticketing and their costs for us, but wants the price to be our decision. The Board decided on \$15.00 prior to the show, walk-in cost \$20.00 cash at the door. Pat will so inform Mr. Jons and confirm that the show be strictly a FAMILY SHOW.

V. Old Business

a. Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre – update by Sue

i. An afternoon Perchville Saturday show, although a good dress rehearsal and enjoyed by the 30 or so attendees will not be repeated. All involved felt it was not worth the time and effort.

ii. Upcoming plans for an April murder mystery dinner will be cancelled due to four other shows being available in the next two months. January and February 2019 will be the next efforts at murder mystery shows. It is scheduled with the Knights for the last weekend in January, Friday and Saturday, as a TBP fundraiser. Then for Perchville, one evening show will be done as a community service. The evening Perchville shows continue to be

very well attended, with a few turned away beyond the 100-seating limit.

b. Modular Curtain System: Update by Judy – New info arrived and after discussion the motion by Craig and second by Penny was made to hire Tobins Lakes Sales to install the curtains and track at a cost of \$9,100.00 (nine thousand one hundred dollars) This price was negotiated down by Judy if our men assemble the scaffolding that will be needed. Judy predicts the month of June to be installation time.

c. Background Checks – Keith; Tabled, nothing new.

d. CCTV: Pat- She now has confirmed that Nick Lojack will run the wires to set up a camera and monitor for backstage viewing of on stage activity. Yeah Pat, YEAH Nick!

VI. Last Minute Agenda Items

a. Chairs - More director's chairs need to be ordered. Pat will attend to that. A suggestion to have a photo of many directors taken and posted with an empty chair inviting people to 'fill the seat was made. No action on that.

b. Set of Meeting date for play presentations by individuals and the Play Reading Committee is set for March 27. Individual members with script suggestions arrive 6pm, Play Reading Committee present during the regular meeting.

c. Reminder – Allergy warning cards are available in the kitchen. Refreshment teams need to place those out with the food for intermissions. People donating food could help by leaving a note on the food of ingredients; especially known allergens such as nuts, it would be especially appreciated. And perhaps prevent a serious incident that would be upsetting and potentially dangerous.

VII. Adjournment -8:15pm by mutual agreement!

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Duncan

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

March 27, 2018 6:30pm