

TAWAS BAY PLAYERS
General Membership Meeting
August 11, 2017

Members Present: Keith Frank, Pat Casey, Judy Quarters, Chris Mundy, Susan Duncan, Sharon Langley, Michal Jacot, Dennis Szatkowski, Penny Zacharias

General Members and Guests: Approximately 40

I. Call to Order, Welcome and Volunteer Recognition–
7:03pm pm by President Keith Frank.

II. Reports

a. Secretary: Sue Duncan read minutes from August 12, 2016. Motion by Dennis Szatkowski, second by Tim Haskin to accept. Motion carried.

b. Treasurer: Pat Casey presented a report covering finances from August 2016 through July 2017, including a breakdown of performance info going back to 2002. Motion to accept by Chris Mundy, second by Kay Robson. Motion carried.

c. Correspondence: Judy Quarters reported that there'd been lots of mail both in and out! Many people sent donations in memory of Deb DeBois and George Robson. She'd be happy for people to remind her to send cards, of whatever kind are needed, please.

d. Membership: Pat Casey report in June's absence that we now have 47 adult and 4 youth renewals tonight. Tim said June would be sending out reminders, once she returns from her birthday trip to Chicago.

e. Singer's Report –Pat Casey says the group has been busy, some free performances, especially locally, but also doing well for bowler who also like music. Another alto and a soprano would be welcome to try out and perhaps join in!

III. Old Business

a. Murder Mystery, “Murder at Roswell: w/ Knights of Columbus and Perchville Event – Earned \$2,147.58 for two performances. The freebie that was done for Perchville was very well received

- and a full house within minutes of opening the doors. Feedback forms continue to be very positive.
- b. Refreshment Room Naming – Hudgins Hall, Coat of Arms and Plaque ready to go! A presentation is planned for dress rehearsal of Snow White” as June is director. Big THANK YOU to artist Carol Kushion for her fine and generous work.
 - c. Newsletter – Pam Frank continues to crank these out, but only with our help. She puts it together, members write it! Tries to have it out just before or after a performance, it works both ways! Send her stuff anytime. She’ll use it!
 - d. From Annual Meeting 2016
 - i. Founder’s Plaque – Not going up for display until further research on names to include is completed.
 - ii. Memorial Bench – No input sent to Keith after he made a newsletter request, but lots of ideas talked about tonight. Motion by Janey Mundy that two benches be purchased, one for the south side of the building, one on the north. Second by Ray. Motion overwhelmingly defeated.
 - iii. Modular Curtain System- No information has come forth. Tabled.

IV. New Business

- a. 2018 Annual Meeting – Knights of Columbus will welcome us back. Motion by Judy Quarters; that TBP return on August 10, 2018 for our annual meeting. Second by Pat Casey. Motion passed.
- b. 2016-17 Items of Interest
 - i. Camp Cedar Ridge Production of “Queen E”: \$264.80 – Not a great fortune, but a lot of good will and support of the arts.
 - ii. ”Psychic Cabaret”: Michael Jon’s, Sold out giving us \$1,505.00 .The show was very popular and entertaining. Mr. Jons is interested in a return visit with a possibility of two performances. Lucky us! Stay tuned!
 - iii. Bike Rack at Theater – A proposal to have Alan Dalton create a unique bike rack that would allow safe parking at

the theater has been put forth and will be brought to fruition at Alan's convenience.

iv. Free Tickets w/Ad: the board has reinstated two (2) free season's tickets with full-page ad in all 4 programs this year.

v. High School Dress Rehearsal Attendance: Continue last year's policy (10 per school) with signed parental approval and adult accompaniment either by the teacher/ assigned by the teacher.

vi. Stage Lights: Pat Casey, Nick Lojeck and Chris Mundy have the new stage lights (4) ready to go and they are awesome!!

vii. New Doors: Keith shared the boards decision to authorize the purchase of four new doors to be installed; one on Lincoln, one on Newman, the kitchen door and one on the wardrobe room. Barry Schley will do the work at a cost of \$2,450.00 (two thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.)

viii. CCTV: Pat Casey is researching a closed circuit TV system for backstage viewing. This would be in memory of George Robson, at his request, and using money donated in his name.

ix. Background Checks – The Board is working on having a background check policy for all adults working with youth under 16. More research needed.

- c. Deb DeBois Memorial Scholarship: Pat/Keith (Add money from Vincent Weiler Educational Fund?) Motion by Frank Brewer that the board be authorized to add funds from the educational fund as they see fit to finance a scholarship in memory of Deb DeBois. Second by Barb Hunter. Motion carried.
- d. Donna Thomas resignation from the board due to moving out of the area explained and accepted in May, with regret.
- e. Election of Board Members: Incumbents: Chris Mundy, Michal Jacot, and Dennis Szatkowski (replaced Donna at boards appointment). Also on the ballot – Rodger McElveen, Craig Sayer and Eric Perrot. The top four will be the new board members, with Dennis requesting only one year, as he'd then be finishing Donna's term precisely.

f. 2017-2018 Program Schedule

- i. “Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs” (musical);
October 13-15, 19-22 Directors Pat Casey, June
Hudgins
 - ii. Christmas Songs & Stories: December 12 Singer’s
Program
 - iii. “Weekend Comedy” (Comedy) February 9-11; 15-
18, 2018 Rodger McElveen, director
 - iv. “And Then There Were None” (Drama) May 22-23,
17-20 Michal Jacot, director
 - v. “Revival at Possum Kingdom Community Church”
(Comedy) July 13-15, 19-22 Beth Borowski,
director
 - vi. “Bye Bye Birdie” (Musical/Comedy) October 19-
21, 25-28 Directors Barb Hunter, Craig Sayer
- g. Announcement of Board Seats – Congratulations to Michal
Jacot, Chris Mundy, Craig Sayer and Dennis Szatkowski.
- h. Presentation of “Founders Award”- Bob O’Meara who is
last year’s recipient made the announcement short and
sweet, exactly tailored to the new recipient; a man of many
talents Mike Merluzzi. Congratulations to Mike, with many
thanks for all the amazing artwork he has done that has
graced TBP.

V. Business from the Floor

- a. WE Players – “Jungle Book” Opening night, also having
shows on Saturday night and Sunday afternoon at the old Tawas City
Middle School gym on 2nd Avenue, Tawas City.

VII. Adjournment – Motion by Tim Haskin, Second Frank
Brewer. Unanimous acceptance. 8:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Duncan

NEXT REGULAR MEETING September 26, 2017 6:30PM