# Tawas Bay Players Regular Board Meeting October 22, 2019

Present: Keith Frank, Pam Koepke, Pat Casey, Laurie Jacot, Judy Quarters, Penny Zacharias, Stacy Perrot, Jolene Grusecki, Chris Mundy arrived at 6:37pm.
Absent: none
Guests: Ray Skiver, Beth Borowski

I. Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Keith Frank.

#### II. Comments From the Audience: None

#### III. Reports:

#### A.Secretary's Report:

- 1. Approval of minutes from the July meeting. An Addendum to these minutes was made under Old Business. There was no fall meeting planned for Readers theater due to lack of interest. With this addendum, Pat motioned to accept the minutes with a second from Jolene. Motion passed.
- 2. After reading the September meeting minutes, 2 corrections needed to be made. Judy will correct them. First, Penny requested the comments section needed to include Penny Payea's last name to prevent confusion in the future. Second, the number of members should be 108 not 122. With these corrections, a motion was made by Jolene to accept the minutes with a second by Pat. Motion carried.

#### B. Treasurer's Report:

Judy motioned to accept the Treasurer's report with a second by Jolene. Motion passed.

- C. <u>Correspondence</u>: Stacy had nothing to report at this time.
- D. Membership: 108 currently
- E. <u>Church Basement Ladies:</u> Show is going well. Large crowds are attending.

#### IV. Old Business:

- A. <u>Perchville Murder Mystery</u>: This will not be happening this year due to a lack of a venue.
- B. <u>TBP/ High School Collaboration</u>: Attached is the Outline that Jolene submitted to all board members. A lengthy discussion was held about this endeavor. Key points are below.
  - 1. Jolene stated the show <u>, Virgil's Wedding</u>, would be using the theater from March 9-15th for rehearsals and shows. Susan Nemeth has been hired by the school to

direct it and Stacy/Jolene are the producers. 15 cast members and a 15 member rotating dance cast each night.

- 2. The city had approached Keith awhile back and asked why we didn't collaborate with high school drama department. Keith explained that theater was in use year round with our productions.
- 3. Concerns discussed included: interference with Beth Borowski's production, Set being built and painted at the theater, Suzan Nemeth not affiliating this show with the WE players as she has been hired by the school, and who would pay upfront costs for the show. Beth B. did not see a problem with show being held during her show. She will make sure costumes/props for her show will be put out of the way that week. Jolene will have set built and painted at high school and also discuss the WE Players issue with Suzan. The school will pay the upfront costs and then that will be deducted from profits and the rest of the profits will be divided between TBP and High school drama department.

Chris motioned that TBP collaborate with high school for <u>Virgil's Wedding</u> in March. Seconded by Penny. Motion carried.

C. <u>Play Reading</u>: Stacy had nothing new at this time. A suggestion of Deer Camp the Musical was given by Tara Western. Committee will look into availability and perusal script.

D. <u>Publicity and Marketing:</u> Stacy P. and Ray Skiver will pursue ads at Family Theater with J.D. Hock as soon as they receive a quote or other information it should be passed onto Keith to share with board members. Stacy asked about doing business cards for TBP. It will have website and theater information on them. Distribute among board to give to interested people.

E. <u>Tech Booth:</u> Chris suggested that a second spot light be purchased.

### V. New Business : none

#### VI. Last Minute Agenda Items:

- A. Laurie was asked if TBP would like a size 14 victorian dress and petticoat by Diane Bushman. Donation accepted.
- B. Stacy wondered if name tags that said" board member"should be worn at productions so community members could give suggestions or ask questions about the group. Board would rather have a suggestion box.
- C. <u>CTAM Update:</u> Chris attended a non-weapon combat workshop . He said it was excellent and got the instructor's information in case we want to hold a class or need help with a future show.

Stacy attended a makeup artistry class on aging people. It was by someone in Bay City Players. She also got the contact information for future use. She also attended a <u>Butts in the Seat</u> session. It suggested that during rehearsal time groups bring in comedians and other events to fill the seats and fundraise.

- D. <u>Ticket Booth:</u> Pam stated that people working on the shows have been asking to have free reserved seats during an actual production, not during dress rehearsal. Ticket people would like clarification on policy. Members and people working on the show may see dress rehearsal free. On production nights they need to pay for the ticket.
- VII. Pat motioned to adjourn at 7:40 pm with a second by Penny. Motion passed.

## Next meeting : November 26, 2019 at 6:30 pm at the theater.