

COMMUNITY PLAYERS OF SALISBURY

BOARD MINUTES

NOVEMBER 4, 2020

BOARD MEMBERS PERESENT: S. Benchoff, presiding, M. Dasher, K. Nagel, C. Linton, D. Mullins (via teleconference), N. Drehmer, T. Robinson, M. Hatfield, D. Allen, S. Barnes

MEMBERS PRESENT: B. Ilczuk, B. Bosies, S. Robinson, T. Broadbent. Via teleconference: T. Welsh, L. Bratten

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved. (Motion, Hatfield, second, Robinson)

Treasurer's report: We are currently in a good cash position, largely due to patron donations. Also, we have received our SWAC grant in the amount of two thousand dollars. Expense for replacing surveillance cameras was \$1,237

Committee reports:

Facilities: Many items need to be put away since use in the Lawn series of shows. We are getting new lights in the warehouse. No cost due to energy saving credits. Outdoor outlet fixed as well.

Membership: List is being updated and membership cards will be mailed shortly.

Newsletter: is now being done by Minuteman.

Patrons: Two new patrons have been added this month with donations adding up to \$500.

Social Media: Shelbie is working with Facebook to get donations via PayPal. Two members have recently had birthday fundraisers on Facebook, with over a thousand dollars being pledged, but we have not received the money yet.

Tickets: A report was distributed to the board regarding the search so far. It will be attached to these minutes. One further vendor is being researched.

OLD BUSINESS:

David is having some problems getting PayPal to link to the membership page on the website. Still working on it.

We are still exploring the possibilities of doing radio theater with Delmarva Public Radio. We would be responsible for royalties. Nate will ask Matt Bogdan to try to find corporate sponsorship for the programs. Also, we will look for scripts that may be in the public domain.

St. Peter's fundraiser is still being planned. Rusty investigated royalties for any songs we might perform. According to ASCAP, St Peter's is responsible for paying any royalties, which they are not prepared to take on.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lynne Bratten inquired of the board as to whether scholarships were restricted only to those students who planned to major in theater. After discussion, there was consensus that the current bylaws give us wide latitude in making awards. Melissa suggested that a question could be added to the application asking how the applicants planned to study theater in the future. This suggested was adopted.

Sharon and Kenny have proposed producing a streaming version of Almost Maine. It is a series of vignettes in which only two characters appear at a time, so it would be fairly easy to rehearse and perform safely. Royalties would be \$120. We would have SU students video and edit. Streaming dates would be announced, and audience charged ten dollars. The plan was approved. Motion, Robinson, Second, Hatfield.

Kate Adkins wishes to use our facility on Dec. 5. Tom Robinson will handle the paperwork

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Submitted by Kel Nagel, Recording Secretary.

