



**OSHP Board Meeting Minutes  
April 18, 2009  
Elmer Residence  
10 a.m.**

Attendees: David Lawver, Theresa Fosbinder, Tom Elmer, Pam Crary, Sarah Karlen, Stephanie Rittenhouse, Karen Weber; Guest – Tina Root (Building Committee)

Called to order at 10:07 a.m.

**Secretary's Report**

- March minutes approved with one correction.

**Treasurer's Report and correspondence**

- Alliant Energy correspondence received; will be contacting ATC
- Received contact about Oregon Summerfest – we will be involved in the parade
- Reviewed Charlotte's Web budget
- Reviewed monthly budget

**Old Business**

**Charlotte's Web**

- We have an electronic survey out at this time to those involved to see how they found the experience.
- So far many positive comments feedback was that people supported the idea of mentoring the younger staff.
- Good feedback about the venue, especially the ability to have the kids close and sitting on the carpet.
- Steve says that the school is happy to have us come back – our staff found Rome Corners staff to be very consistently helpful.
- The junior staff also indicated that they enjoyed their experiences.
- We think it was a good experience to do a play this time – to give kids experiences with both plays and musicals.

**Once Upon a Mattress**

- There is a full design staff; some pieces of the design are done.
- Posters and publicity are underway.
- Audition notice will go out – will not be specific audition appointments – will do as blocks of time as we did with Charlotte.
- Strike is tentatively planned for Sunday, August 9; and the night of Monday August 10.

## **New Business**

Shows for Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Summer 2010

- There was discussion about considering workshops as activities in addition to/instead of shows.
- It was discussed that there should be consideration of the timing of shows if we want to do fundraising events that involve performances in that same timeframe. This may especially be a consideration this fall.
- There was discussion about how many shows we want to do in one season based on available resources, while also making sure that we offer enough for all our members to be involved in.
- Various specific shows, availability, viability, and people potentially interested in leading projects were discussed.
- We will start the informal process of soliciting input about shows from our membership.

## **Committee Reports**

### *Membership/Newsletter*

- The newsletter was discussed
- The annual membership meeting is scheduled for September 12, from 3-5 with a social event following – this will be included in the newsletter.
- We will also include a reminder to donate to Shining Stars/building fund.
- There was discussion about the definition of “membership” - the bylaws mention that members have been involved in “active participation” in the “past 2 years” and to whom the mailings need to go. We have so far, and will continue to keep this definition liberal.

### *Building Committee (Tina Root)*

Recap of committee meeting - minutes from this meeting are available.

- Commons of Foxboro; Burr Oaks sites still under discussion.
- The group's focus will be on fundraising at this time.
- Other updates:
  - Want to wait till after summer show to kick off a major campaign so that we don't divert from summer Shining Stars fundraising
  - Other ideas – newspaper articles, mailing list, do a fundraising event.
  - Will announce a goal of raising \$100,000 within 2 years and put this in the publicity

There are two motions the committee wants to bring before the board:

1) The building committee wants us to set aside an amount of the money in our accounts as dedicated to the building fund.

Steve made a motion that we designate the current Anchor Bank and other funds to be dedicated to the building fund and be restricted for those usages. This amount is currently \$19, 176.36. Second by Karen, motion approved.

2) The building committee wants to set up an event: This would be a dinner in May or June with entertainment for top supporters of OSHP to ask for more donations for the building fund.

After discussion, it was decided that Tina will take back to the committee that we would like a list of who are considered “top donors”, also consider contacting historical members and donors from the anniversary mailing list, consider adding potential donors as well. The board would like to request a list of who the committee would consider for this event. Also would like consideration of other ideas as discussed below). In addition we would request that this not occur this

spring so as not to contend with summer fundraising.

Other ideas were discussed: “Taste of the Arts”, collaborate with other arts entities, e.g. OHS individuals and/ or groups (OHS orchestra, drumline), getting a “big name” to come to an event (e.g. Tom Wopat), host a “dinner and a show” for top donors, silent auction.

*Properties*

A shed cleaning/organizing work day will be held on June 6. 10 am until done. Chris Phistry-Shed contact, Sarah Karlen-Costume contact

**Next Meeting**

Saturday May 16, 10am-12pm  
State Bank of Cross Plains – Oregon

Meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m..

Minutes respectfully submitted,  
Theresa Fosbinder

Corrected 5/16/09 psc