



# Oregon Straw Hat Players



## OSHP Board Meeting Minutes April 25, 2007 Fosbinder residence

Attendees: Dana Stein, Tom Elmer, Stan Hill, David Lawver, Theresa Fosbinder, Erin Dammen, Chris Phistry; Guest Duane Draper

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m.

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

March minutes approved with one change.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

- Report handed out and discussed – financial success of Honk, Jr. noted!!
- Discussion: \$5000.00 CD recently matured and was automatically renewed. The board agrees that the renewal until an October date is acceptable. There was discussion about the fact that we have 2 CDs and will have to make renewal decisions periodically about them.
- There was discussion about properties – it was noted that both Main Street properties are taken. Board members are monitoring the situation with the church building at 172 N. Main in case that ever may become a viable option.
- It was noted that Pat Hetland is still taking care of Bill's receipts for us.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### Honk Jr. Final report

- Chris stated he is still getting feedback and comments from those involved about the positive experiences.
- There was discussion that we will be renting some of the set to a group in Menominee Falls
- Dana will follow up with a staff questionnaire like we did with Tom Sawyer, so that we can get a better picture of people's experiences, and continue to improve our processes.

#### Grants

We received \$2,000 of a possible \$2350 from DCCAC. There was discussion about the fact that to receive this grant we need project evaluators – the Oklahoma production team is working on obtaining these.

#### Decision on future shows

- After some discussion, a motion was made and seconded to do Finian's Rainbow as the summer 2008 production. The motion was carried. Finian's Rainbow will be the 2008 summer production – information will be added to the website ASAP.

- After some discussion, a motion was made and seconded to ask David Lawver to direct the summer 2008 show. The motion was approved. David Lawver accepted.
- After some discussion, a motion was made and seconded to table the decision about other 2007/2008 project(s) until a later time. The motion was approved.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Oklahoma**

- There was discussion about video rules and regulations and merchandising. We need to get permission to do t-shirts.
- Personnel: There is need for a marketing/publicity person, t-shirt coordinator. Erin Dammen volunteered to fill the marketing/publicity role at least until someone else is found (Stan may have a person who will do this and will let Erin know). Tom Elmer volunteered to be the t-shirt coordinator. Erin will write to Rogers & Hammerstein to request permission to do the t-shirts.
- Auditions: Will be at Prairie View at the Little Theatre May 29, 30, 31. There will be ½ hour slots available as appointments 7-9:30 Tuesday & Wednesday. Thursday night will be callbacks.
- Rehearsals will start Monday June 18<sup>th</sup>.
- The budget was handed out and discussed.
- There was discussion about comp tickets as the producer's decision.

### **Newsletter**

Newsletter will be out by the second week in May

### **Web Duties**

Erin Dammen indicated she would like a successor for her website and related duties. David indicated he would work with Erin to transition these duties, Theresa indicated willingness to assist also.

### **Anniversary Committee Report**

Duane Draper was in attendance to discuss progress on the anniversary activities.

- Parade: there will be a float entry with people costumed from various shows we have done. Some will be on the float, some will walk. It is hoped to have the Lauries from both Oklahoma productions. Carol Shirk has agreed to assist with costuming. The show will be responsible for getting cast and crew there to hand out fliers and etc. as they usually do.
- Anniversary banquet: The committee's proposal is to have entertainment, charge \$10 per adult, \$6 per child, or maybe to let members in for free. After some discussion about cost vs. benefits to our members, a motion was made and approved. This motion states that we agree to provide the membership banquet free of charge to all who are or ever have been member (as long as they reserve in a timely manner); at a cost to the organization not to exceed \$3000.00.
- There was discussion about adding more lobby display boards and fixing up the 2 we have that have photos and programs from previous productions. Pam and Theresa will work with Duane on this, and may also look for resources from the Oklahoma cast/crew over the summer.
- Commemorative booklet: The committee is still working on this idea in terms of cost and printing and content. There will be a group working on this the weekend of June 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Other business**

- Next month we will discuss this issue that came up at the March meeting:  
*The issue of Shining Stars recognition in the program was discussed. There is some confusion, especially about ads, e.g. if a sponsor donates early in the year prior to the winter show, do they get an ad in both the winter and summer programs? At a future meeting we will discuss this and clarify.*
- There were no inbound phone/mail issues or situations to discuss

**Meeting Adjourned at 10:15****NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday May 22, 1pm at Dammen residence, 5571 Ralph Rd.

Respectfully submitted,  
Theresa Fosbinder