



Meeting Minutes
August 25, 2009
OSHP Building 201 Market St.

Attendees: Steve Zach, Tom Elmer, Chris Phistry, Theresa Fosbinder, Stephanie Rittenhouse, David Lawver, Sarah Karlen, Pam Crary, Karen Weber. Guests Duane Draper, Wade Crary

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm

Secretary's Report

July and August minutes were reviewed. Stephanie moved, Chris seconded to accept with typo corrections in each.

Treasurer's Report

Correspondence was distributed/discussed.

The treasurer's report for 8/4/09-8/25/09 was distributed and discussed.

Old Business

Once Upon a Mattress

- The budget was reviewed.
- The ticket sales process was discussed.
- The project as a whole was discussed – artistic value, help at work days, quality, learning that occurred.
- School issues were discussed. Same issues as previous years tended to occur – some were resolved more easily because of Steve's connection. Problems with air conditioning continued.
- For the future: Air conditioning, not enough microphones/sound equipment, pressure to be out on Sunday strike night that we did not expect, broken seats (if un-fixable, could they remove them?), scheduling (this year we had a lot of Friday rehearsals – could that have impact Saturday work day?, longer rehearsal period (either earlier or later has issues). Earlier vs. later show weekends – need to think about this in terms of attracting participants and audience.
- Need to attract more men on stage!!
- To make more money look for more revenue from ticket sales – hard to trim the budget.

Building transition report

- Sarah and Wade presented a plan and a diagram with the primary goal of getting stuff out of the shed, and then adding additional features later.
- David moved to let the transition committee spend \$2700 with more to spend later if needed. Chris seconded, motion passed unanimously.
- In the future we could try to leverage DCCAC Capital grant funding for some of the building activities.

- There was discussion of trash and recycling
- There was discussion about mailing address

Open House/Ribbon Cutting/Dedication

- There was discussion and planning of the event on September 12.
- David will send out an invitation to the membership.
- Karen will invite business donors, chamber, etc.
- We will have business cards, pens, brochures to distribute.
- Chris made a motion to give the planning committee \$300.00 for the event David seconded, motion passed.

Membership Meeting

There was discussion and planning for this event.

New Business

Oregon Arts Festival

- October 9-11; Duane will coordinate our participation.
- David moved to authorize \$60 for the registration fee, Karen seconded, motion approved.
- We will have our building open and will have art available from some of our younger members to sell

Fantasy in Lights

- We will do this as we did last year
- We will again share with Sarah's church
- Steve Zach will coordinate

Edgewood Theatre Arts Program

This event is September 23; Chris will coordinate attendees.

Discussion of shows for next year

There was discussion about what to do as next season's shows, including:

- Spelling Bee – Stoughton has the rights; Armory is doing as well
- Summer – need to attract men and children
- Two main ideas have come up – South Pacific and Music Man
- For the fall we should focus on the building
- Other ideas: holiday production as fundraiser, play reading sessions
- There has been a youth project pitched – Dear Edwina Jr.
- We also want to consider the script Duane has mentioned - Leaving Iowa
- We will decide on shows at the October shared board meeting.

Sarah made a motion to adjourn at 9:56 pm, Pam seconded, motion approved.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Theresa Fosbinder