



**OSHP Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
December 16, 2007
Karlen residence**

Attendees: David Lawver, Sarah Karlen, Karen Weber, Pam Crary, Theresa Fosbinder, Tom Elmer, Dana Stein. Not present: Chris Phistry

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Secretary's Report

.November minutes approved with one spelling change.

Treasurer's Report

- Correspondence was discussed
- Recent Shining Stars donations were discussed
- Reviewed the Treasurer's report
- Reviewed the operating budget
- There was discussion about the definition of the fiscal year – it runs from fall to fall. That means that those who donate early in the year will get mention in the winter/spring program and the summer program, and those who donate in the summer will get mention in the summer program only. We will mention the time period of donations in the program (as we did for Mulan), and will clarify this in our Shining Star letters.

OLD BUSINESS

DCCAC Grant

- 3 evaluators attended Mulan.
- We will apply for DCCAC and Alliant grants for Finian's rainbow.

OHS Pit Cover

Dan is continuing to work on this – we will have someone from the insurance company look at it before we proceed.

Mulan

Pam solicited feedback from participants via various sources, including an online survey. The board discussed the feedback, and improvements that could be made to the process, including better scheduling of rehearsals, scheduled parent meetings, better understanding/communication of "child wrangler" duties, having a social event earlier in the process so people get to know each other. There

was also discussion about the timing of a kid's show in the fall vs. other times. It was noted that the feedback included many good comments about this show and about OSHP.

It was agreed that reserving seating for large groups in the Little Theatre did not work well, although we are glad we tried it.

There was discussion about the best way to handle requests for costume rental – several groups are doing Disney's Mulan Jr. and are interested in renting our beautiful costumes.

NEW BUSINESS

Our Town

There was discussion of the possibility of using Brown Paper Tickets for Our Town.

Finian's Rainbow

- We will apply for a grant from DCCAC.
- Greg Brumfield – a professional actor - will be in the cast.
- Producers are Theresa Fosbinder, Dana Stein and Pam Crary.

Web Site Forum

- We need to make sure that people use the discussion forum threads from the website - so that we know what shows members are interested in.
- There was mention the issue that came up on the forum about sponsoring worthy causes with our shows – we will discuss at a future meeting.
- There was discussion about what else we could use the forum to talk about – ideas include a place for our “junior” members, what shows have you seen (positive feedback), future direction of the group – where do you see us in 10 more.

Newsletter

The newsletter will go out the last week in January – will include info about Our Town auditions. There will be a newsletter in the spring that includes info about Finian.

January meeting

Sunday, January 20th, 4pm, Subach residence

Minutes respectfully submitted,
Theresa Fosbinder