



**OSHP Board Meeting Minutes
June 16, 2008
Weber residence**

Attendees: David Lawver, Theresa Fosbinder, Chris Phistry, Tom Elmer, Dan Subach, Dana Stein, Pam Crary, Karen Weber, Sarah Karlen

Called to order: 7:11

Secretary's Report

- Minutes approved with several typo corrections

Treasurer's Report

- Correspondence was distributed and discussed
- Returned mail was discussed
- Treasurer's Report was discussed
- Donations for building fund were discussed

Old Business

Finian

- Grants – working on getting ATC grant to help make up what we did not get from DCCAC. Will apply for budget lines for sound and light. Also applying for Alliant grant.
- Motion made and seconded: Production team can spend budgeted amount in the original budget, even though there is not as much in the grant line. With the understanding that appropriate budgeting procedures be used The grant money that was originally requested has not all come through ...
- Still working on getting men for the cast

Parade

- Discussed parade arrangements

Membership meeting/party

- Need to get the word out about the September event – meeting and party on September 20th at Hawthorne's. Issue to be decided before we advertise – when should we do the Hats Off Awards? Idea: have a sponsored cast party after the last show and invite other friends and members; or could do this at the membership meeting on the 20th.

New Business

Committee Reports

Properties

Shed work/cleaning – Friday June 28th

Costumes

Shed work/cleaning – Friday June 20th

Tickets/Brown Paper Tickets

We will start selling tickets via BPT in early July, will offer cast and crew the opportunity to purchase tickets in advance.

Publicity

Brochure looks great and is available

Branson on the Road – fundraiser was discussed – they are coming to Stoughton and Beaver Dam. We will go to check those out and see if this might be viable.

Membership/Newsletter/Mailing List/Yahoo List

David proposed that we use a new service that he has found called Discusrock.org to manage our email lists and electronic correspondence. A motion was made and passed to pay the minimal amount that this service costs, and transition from the yahoo group we are using now.

Newsletter – do we really need two mailings? We spend a lot on postage, we get many returned, we are trying to get people to look at an electronic version. Decision – continue the mailed newsletter when there is a lot of news, consider postcards for as needed smaller info Consider doing bulk mailing, also make sure to put them out as PDFs on the website.

Artistic Policies: Discuss upcoming season

There was discussion about how we make sure we have gotten all the input we need to make show decisions – the forum has been successful, but it may be that we need more input, and it seems that people are coming up with more ideas. Also – it may be that the summer may be a good time to get input from more kids about the kid's projects than we have been able to get so far.

We feel it is important to get the fall show information into the Finian program, but may need to give ourselves and our membership more time to gather input about the other shows. And we could at least announce in the Finian program that we will be doing a kids show in the spring and a summer musical – so that people know in general what we are planning.

Ideas for producing “Harvey” were discussed as a more intimate, period based approach.

Building Committee

Dana is contacting various landowners, there will be advertising to promote to the public that this is an effort we are undertaking – to build awareness.

Other Discussion

We agreed to split the staffing of the Holiday Fantasy in Lights fundraising event (discussed at last month's meeting) with Sarah's church.

Next Meeting

Sunday July 13, 3pm at OHS

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Theresa Fosbinder