

Streetcar Company
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
July 12, 2022

Location: Fellowship Hall, Laconia Congregational Church, Laconia, NH

Call to Order: 6:00pm

Attendance: Brendan Berube, David Nelson, Carey Hough, Becky Guyer, Peter Ayer, Samm Johnson, Oriana Filiault, Ray Feola, Jennifer Nelson, J Alward, Jordyn Gagnon, Kristi Laurendeau

Public Comment:

- **Public comment open at 6:00pm**
 - ***Conclude public comment at 6:03 pm with option to reopen***

Secretary Report:

- 06/14/2022 Minutes Approval
 - Brendan Fix discussion fees to production fees.
 - Oriana - Treasurer's Report change to "Once receipts are received it will close out Wizard of Oz Production"
 - Becky G updated her email with Carey to receive communications.
 - Becky G motions to accept; Samm seconds
 - ***MOTION: Accept the draft 06/14/2022 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes***
 - ***Unanimous vote: The motion passes.***
- Correspondence
 - None

Treasurer's Report:

- Financial Statement
 - Busy month. Lion King Jr. happened and accounts for the financial activity..
 - About \$1500 in outstanding checks not cashed.
 - Oriana - questioned the cost on shirts. Jenn Nelson stated that production fees paid for shirts and the cost of shirts for kids were \$12. Oriana thinks it's a good idea for shirts but up the price of production fees in the future, because only \$8 went to production cost. David stated we also had the \$2000 grant which came from the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction which they intended to use to buy shirts for the cast, so the \$20 in production fees did go to production costs.
 - Carey motions to accept; Oriana seconds.
 - ***MOTION: Accept the Treasurer's Report***
 - ***Unanimous vote: The motion passes***

Old Business:

- Directors and Officers Insurance
 - Paperwork is underway, Brendan will have an appointment later this week.



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- Applies to elected Board of Directors
- Motion Carey Motions; Samm seconds
- **MOTION: Brendan will obtain a Directors and Officers Insurance to cover all elected officials of the Streetcar Board.**
- **Unanimous vote: The motion passes**
- Tilton School Update
 - Kate Saunders' last discussion was that the MOU agreement needed to be drawn up and signed. Rates from CFO needed to be included and should be in the email by tomorrow if not Thursday.
 - Carey emailed Kate a list of names to begin getting background checks and clearance on individuals that would likely be in contact or around students.
 - Kate was renting a dumpster to clean out Hamilton Theatre.
 - Brighton Beach is close to an agreement being drawn up this week
 - Will update as soon as we know more.
- Wizard of Oz
 - Books formally closed.
 - Profit of \$320 after Jody's turn in of receipts.
- Lion King Jr. Post Show
 - Don't have 100% budget numbers on that
 - Looking like a loss. Brendan operating on 2020 budget approval. Factoring in increases such as rental fee and tech director. Loss of just over \$1000. Not factoring in donation to church for rehearsal space
 - Oriana - we have never lost on a kids show. Brendan it's mainly because of the cost of Moultonboro Auditorium.
 - Oriana observes that when you have little kids you have lots of family and friends that come. She didn't see a lot of extended and big groups. She wonders if it is because the group was aged older. David said it was hard, we could only cast who showed up for auditions.
 - Friday \$1280, Sat \$700, Sun \$950. Oriana asked what traditionally has been the breakdown - has it been similar? David stated no it is lower than what has come in, in the past.
 - Oriana wants to be clear that the show was amazing - and a really good cast. The lack of ticket sales had nothing to do with the product. That's why she was asking if it was an age group reason.
 - Becky G consistently heard people didn't want to travel.
 - Carey - did we have posters? Yes.
 - J Alward stated that she and husband Scott have been to everything Streetcar has done the last few years but didn't go to Lion King because of distance; Samm also didn't go because of distance.
 - Carey asked if time in June contributed - could end of school/graduations/vacations contributed to lack of participation or attendance?
 - Oriana asked if there is a significant cost difference between LHS or Tilton School or Moultonboro. David said if we could've had it at LHS or Tilton we most likely would've been in the black.



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- Brendan wanted to give credit to Jenn Nelson for keeping good track of box office ticket sales.
- 293 tickets sold across all performances including online and at the door.
- Will get a full numbers report at the next meeting.
- Brighton Beach Memoirs
 - On the fence right now.
 - Show has been postponed twice
 - Tentative dates Sept 9-11 at Tilton School
 - Verbal 90% that dates will work.
 - Need to recast Nora - Oriana was reached out to by Michaela Costa, former music teacher at Franklin Middle School. She can start on 7/24. She is on vacation David has a call scheduled for tomorrow evening to discuss the role. Rehearsals are Sunday, Tues, Thurs at Church. About 20 rehearsals before tech week. Would like to get into Tilton School as early as we can.
- Steamboat
 - It's out, too many postponements. Shows are getting stacked. Too many other factors causing it to not be a possibility. Didn't want to have to rush the show.
 - Becky G - Steamboat in this day and age it would need to be rewritten for content. Oriana - need to have music and script and we don't have it.
 - David apologized for not making time to do it. Oriana stated it shouldn't be on one person. Becky G volunteered to look into transcriber for written music.
- Children's Auction Show
 - August 17th 6pm
 - 3 numbers - one children's number (Circle of Life), one miscast men's number (I Feel Pretty) and one miscast women's number (Jersey Boys Medley)
- Streetcar 50th Anniversary Update
 - End of July for an organizational meeting and letting performers know. Have a preliminary list of songs and performers.
 - Partial costumes.
 - October 8th 7pm Colonial Putnam Sponsor - free to the public.
- Passage Into Fear
 - Jody is anxious to get started. Wants ducks in a row has been reaching out to David.
 - Original idea was a dinner theater show. After looking deeper at the show he feels it should be a traditional show on a traditional stage.
 - Becky F will produce the show with David assisting.
 - Thinking early to mid November at the latest, but determined by Tilton availability.
 - No date yet for auditions - end of August early September.
- Update on pitched shows
 - Confirmations on: Death of a Salesman, Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolfe, Jungle Book KIDS, Rudolph, Press Start, Wedding Singer, 25th Annual County Spelling Bee
- Belmont is having a parade and invited us.
 - August 13th 1pm - Theme is Magic Starts With Us
 - They may have a Talent Show
 - Contact is Nicole Sturgeon - Samm knows her and will reach out with questions.



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- Ideas for a parade entry?
- Gilford Old Home Day - A Night at the Movies
 - No booth.
 - Parade - Oriana will reach out to Katie Dawson about her trailer.
 - Chris Fernandez donated the trailer. Carey will reach out to him.
 - Becky G - maybe we could reach out to Lyman - Oriana knows Lyman wife Lindsey
 - Deadline is August 19th.

New Business:

- Oriana talked with Jordyn Tankard about skills/workshops for sound and lights for members of our company so that we can have a better base for future productions. Talked about hiring him to do workshops/camps. Carey likes the idea but can it be generalized enough to apply to multiple venues that may have different equipment? Becky G - lots of venues are going to only let their own tech people use the equipment. Oriana feels we are a community theater and we should have further opportunities outside performing/set building. Oriana will put together a proposal and present it to the board.
- Becky G would like to start posting about the 50th Gala but wants control on what information and answers are discussed.
- David would like our company to have a bigger and more positive presence on Social Media and wants a big blast about information. Monthly spotlight.
- Becky G - social media is doing awesome.

Adjournment:

- Ray motioned to adjourn, Samm seconded
 - **MOTION: Adjourn the meeting**
 - **Unanimous vote: The motion passes**
- **The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 pm**

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday August 9, 2022 6:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Carey Hough
Secretary

