

Stratford Playhouse Booster Club Meeting

Monday, Nov. 5, 2018

2018-19 Board Members Present:

Kathy Goss, President

Janelle Flores, Treasurer

Thuy Moon, Recording Secretary

Carolyn McCall, Historian

Jennifer Bates, Box Office

Janet Spann, VP Communications

Katherine Jones, VP Fundraising

Sue Bach/Thuy Moon, Thespian Liaisons

Kristin Hopper, Crew Liaison

Meeting began at 7:02 pm

Call to Order

Kathy Goss

Meeting started with a performance from some of the Comedy Sportz kids followed by the director's report.

Directors Report

Christian Holmes

Comedy Sportz is underway with rehearsals. There will be a match this Friday. Season passes are available for purchase. He is expecting to have some Alumni and Faculty matches this season. You can find the schedule on our website. LMAT/SKM went great. He was thrilled all shows were sold-out. He is planning to cut SKM for UIL. Thespian Festival is coming up and the kids will be presenting

different pieces which will also include tech performers. The kids will be performing their pieces at 3:45pm the day we leave for Thescon. Rehearsals for Newsies is going well and Mr. Holmes would like to thank the booster club for all their support.

Financial Report

Janelle Flores

Janelle Flores presented the financial report stating that the Playhouse was in a good cash position at the end of October and reported net income for the fiscal year-to-date period ended October 31 compared to a budgeted net loss for the year. She added that both the Fall play and Black Box shows had been completed. Both shows exceeded their ticket sales budgets and appeared to be under budget for expenditures. She urged everyone to turn in any outstanding reimbursement forms or invoices, so that we could determine how the shows really turned out. Janelle also requested that anyone turn in any money that they may have collected on behalf of the Playhouse. You can contact Janelle Flores at jflocpa@sbcglobal.net for a copy of the financial report.

Thespian Report

Sue Bach

Sue wanted to remind everyone who's attending Thescon to turn in medical/water safety forms. Also to pay \$10 for optional movie night and \$5 for bus tip. She talked about sign-up genius for Spartan Shares which is where the Playhouse will adopt a family at Christmas time. It's usually a Stratford family or a family where the parent works for the district. Holiday Thespian party will be on Dec. 7th.

Communications

Janet Spann

No report today from Janet.

Minutes of the Prior Meeting

Thuy Moon

Minutes from our Sept. meeting have been posted to our website, www.shsplayhouse.net. Sheila Leif made the motion to approve the minutes and Trina Morford seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Committees

Gala Katherine Jones, Michelle Majewski and Janet Spann

Michelle talked about the new auction software which should make things easier for gala. There will be student performances the evening of gala including grade level performances, a Newsies preview and seniors solos. They are asking for more volunteers for silent auction. Parents can sign up through QR code. They are needing grade level baskets donations. Donation forms can be found on our website at shsplayhouse.net which is new this year. There are also underwriting and sponsorship opportunities. They are asking for any donations including rodeo, concert, sports tickets. The theme this year is NY 1899, Party like it's 1899. Lorraine Alvey is in charge of auction parties. Please try and get all donations in by end of Dec.

Walk-ons Sharon Muschalik

Sharon talked about walk-ons opportunities for every performance except opening and closing nights. Walk-ons are \$150 and Backstage pass is \$50.

Crew Liaison/Publicity Kristin Hopper

Please let Kristin know if you are not receiving emails from her. All crew members need to fill out big form for Newsies. Kristin is hoping that posters and yard signs will be available by Christmas party. More info will be released this week for the Christmas party.

Posters Sheila Sage Leif

Newsies posters will be ready to hand out in December at holiday party and should be put up in early January.

Barnes and Noble

Kim Brown-Thompson/Kathy Goss

Kathy talked about the event taking place on Dec. 8th and the kids will be performing a Newsie number every half hour from 10-2pm. There will be a sign-up genius for parent volunteers to help with wrapping and the tips will go towards the Playhouse. Kathy passed out small flyers to help promote the event.

Comedy Sportz

Jean Tanner

First comedy sportz match will be this Friday at 7pm in the Black Box with Stratford vs Stratford. It will cost \$5 at the door. Season tickets will also be sold. \$35 for 7 matches or \$30 if bought early. In addition to entrees which will already be provided, there will be a sign-up genius to help bring sides, beverages, and chips to help feed the kids.

Fundraising

Amy Waltz

Amy is asking Playhouse parents to forward the link to friends and family to purchase the blanket for \$69. She is encouraging Playhouse parents to support the Playhouse by purchasing one because as of now, more non-Playhouse people are buying them. You can pay with a CC online or contact Amy at amylwaltz@yahoo.com if paying with check or cash. Janet Spann will send an email blast with link to order the blanket.

New Business

Kathy Goss

Kathy talked about needing volunteers for every show. Please consider helping with selling break-a-legs at the door. Students will be selling raffle tickets and it will also be sold at the door for the big show. We will need volunteers for the green room, donating snacks and help setting up before and breaking down after the show. All the green room items are stored in the paint room in the scene

shop. We will also need volunteers for cast and crew lunches to help serve and donate items. Jill Schein is in charge of C/C lunches. Please also consider volunteering for concessions and box office. It takes a village to make the Playhouse successful so please consider volunteering.

Dates to remember

November 9	Newsie Crew big form due
November 9	Comedy Sportz Match at Stratford
November 14	Thescon performance preview 3:45 in auditorium
November 14-17	Thescon
November 30	Comedy Sportz Match at Stratford
December 8	Barnes and Noble
December 12	Playbill Personal Ads are due
***We will have a Christmas Party in December!! Date to be released this week!!	
January 14	SUPER DUPER VERY IMPORTANT BOOSTER CLUB MEETING

Links to Remember

Playhouse website	www.shsplayhouse.net
Public Playhouse website	www.shsplayhouse.org
Playhouse Facebook Page	Search on FB for "Stratford Playhouse" in Groups

Meeting ended at 7:55 pm

Respectively submitted, Thuy Moon (Recording Secretary)