

## **Highlands Theatre Boosters-SRO**

**November 10, 2015**

**Attendance:** Jason Burgess, Trisha Zimmerman, Rachel Eglan, Cathie Conniff, Sandy Nagel, Dave Theil. Taricia Lightfoot, Ren Dansbury, Janet Forbes, Tara Gabbard, Liz Retiman, Lou Schnier, Penny Stratton, Becky Manyet.

### **Director: Jason Burgess**

Jason was only to stay a few minutes in that both Amy and he were getting ready for their second child to be born. He reviewed the success of Little Shop of Horrors and thanked the parents for all they did to help through the process. Wizard of Oz parent meeting will be held Monday 11-23-15 at 7 pm.

### **Secretary's Report: Rachel Eglan**

Minutes from the Oct. 2015 meeting were reviewed and approved. Trisha moved to accept and Sandy gave the second motion.

Penny noted the Wizard of Oz audition dates that were listed in the minutes. She suggested a better method of notifying the parents of audition dates / times.

### **President's Report: Cathie Conniff**

Cathie reported that there continues to be ongoing improvements in the SRO website. Feedback from anyone is welcomed.

Review of Cappies Night / dinner was presented. The dinner and decorations were wonderful. Thanks to all who helped to plan and implement the event.

Little Shop of Horrors – pictures with the plant turned out to be very popular. This likely made a lot of \$ for the theatre dept. She will need to check with Jason on exact #s.

Cathie will be developing the parent packet on the website for the Wizard of Oz.

### **Vice President: Trisha Zimmerman**

Trisha reported there are now 58 members. There were a few more at the Producer level, an actor and another alumni membership.

Cathie posed the question: Were the T-shirts worth it? Did people like these? Have members been wearing them?

SRO members present suggested to design a SRO vest or a pin to wear when selling concessions for the show.

### **Amy Homer: Treasurer**

Treasurer's report presented by Cathie in that Amy was unable to be here.

Account balance as of beginning of Oct. 2015 = \$22,708.13

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Received: member dues = \$2992.05, Donations = \$540.00

Paid: annual audit = \$600.00, SRO T-shirts = \$1,073.25, LSOH programs = \$1,777.77

Theater Dept. Grant = \$2,280.11

Dave Theil moved to accept the report while Liz Reitman gave the second motion.

LSOH receipts are needed by the end of the month. You can scan or take a photo with your phone and send them to Amy. Her email is [homera66@gmail.com](mailto:homera66@gmail.com) She will send you a check once she receives the receipts.

Cathie stated there will be upcoming expenses to bring in guest artists for theatre workshops.

Becky Manyet had questions about the costume budget. She was referred to Jason for clarification on her questions.

### **Fundraising: Becky Manyet**

Becky reviewed ongoing ideas for next years' Taste of the Season. She still needs notes emailed to her from 2015 Taste Chairs so that planning techniques can be archived for future chairs.

### **New Business:**

Copies of the By-laws as well as the Conflict of Interest policy were distributed for review. Suggestions were made to update some of the wording in the By-laws to include the name change and the fact that SRO will encompass the middle school parents as well. Other changes can be emailed to Cathie for discussion at the next meeting.

Discussion was held regarding allowing jewelry designed by a theatre parent with a Wizard of Oz / Highlands Theatre motif to be sold at / during the production process of Wizard of Oz. Some members expressed concern that this would open the door to other people wanting to sell their items at shows. Some members cited the Conflict of Interest policy. Other members

were agreeable to allowing the jewelry to be sold. Discussion was held on how the Theatre Booster could accommodate everyone's interest. No decision made as of this night.

Sandy brought up the fact that the ticketing sight Showtix4u was compromised. Everyone that has used the sight received a letter in the mail today to warn them to watch their credit card statements.

Next meeting will likely be held 12-8-15. Dates will be checked with Jason.

Respectfully submitted:

Rachel Eglian