

Present: Monica, Patrick A, John, Kim MacMillan, James, Susan, Patrick B, Tracy, Julia, Cathy, Jake, Marion

Approval of Agenda,
MSC: Patrick, Tracy

Approval of Minutes from previous meeting:
MSC: Tracy, Cathy

Website, Membership, Volunteers: Patrick, Kim

- **Please fill out Form online.....**no one on the board with the exception of Ellen has done this...
Action : promises all around
The intention of the people managing membership is to hit the project hard in the fall and get many more than the present 3 volunteer members into the directory.
Monica will include the online form in media releases
Kim intends to use guilt to sign up many volunteers
Patrick will be suitably adorned and very present at the backstage bash
- The previous problem in which information from the form was deleted when the member clicked a box to investigate an option has been repaired
- **Website Committee**
Susan and Patrick suggested that a website committee would be helpful in terms of keeping the site updated and being a single voice to communicate with Ryan (our website guy)
Action: New website committee James, Kim, Patrick and Susan (???)

Public Relations: Monica

- **2nd Act Garage Sale August 29**
Looking for “treasures” to auction off
Need Volunteers for Fri afternoon/eve and Saturday (none so far)
That evening there is a farewell party at Birch’s
Monica requests \$100.00 budget for advertising
MSC: Tracy, Patrick
- **Fall Fair Parade Sept 12**
We will keep it simple this year – no float
Dressed up children and adults handing out invitations to the Backstage Bash
Cathy and Monica to plan/coordinate
- **Backstage Pass (?Bash) Sept 19**
Ron Langridge to host,
Other presenters:
Directors of shows, Cilla reOZone, Jake re: building, Danielle dunn-Morris re workshop, Patrick to round up volunteers and members
Need a stage manager
Action: James will ask Sherry if she is willing stage manage the evening

Publicity/Backstage Pass (cont)

Q: can we increase our liquor prices? A: yes, Monica can set liquor prices as she sees fit.

MSC Patrick, Marion

Monica requests a budget of \$ 500.00 for the Backstage Pass event.

MSC Cathy, Tracy

Monica would like to give away 5 seasons passes for publicity

MSC Marion, Cathy

- **Social and Fundraising Event Oct 16**

Date TBC

Monica is making preparations

Theme for food / wine will be local harvest celebration

James (and Peter) will lead theatre games

...a round of applause for Monica's hard work and brilliant attention to detail.....

- **Artistic Ctte James**

Contract with Danielle is in place

Auditions set for 25th and 26th of Aug for One Acts

******WE ARE IN SERIOUS NEED OF PRODUCERS*******

All will consider this problem and try to find people/solutions

- **Ozone: Cilla unable to attend**

Cilla requests \$200.00 to hold Seniors Centre Rental for Ozone banquet

MSC: Patrick, Tracy to advance \$200.00 ahead of budget for this request

Don from Ozone newsletter says that he will feature Shuswap Theatre in the next newsletter.

Discussion re what is required for this

Action: Julia will discuss with Cilla as she may already be aware of this and preparing info for Don

- **Building and Rentals**

Report Submitted by Cilla.

More rentals coming for Fall

Potential rental for Oct 11 Sunday Q is it doable? If Cilla feels it is doable then we should go ahead – no objections to squeezing it in.

Costume rentals to Haney, individuals

Fall building maintenance including fire inspection, furnace, lighting, carpet maintenance is underway.

- **Grants: Cathy**

Marion gleefully waved a \$1000.00 cheque from Scotiabank for a grant request that Rebecca M submitted through their volunteer program. Thanks Rebecca and Scotiabank!! This will help offset the cost of Danielle's workshop.

A grant of \$1000.00 was also received from the Shuswap Community

Foundation for the purchase of a new sign. Tracy will attend the meeting Sept 17 to pick up the cheque and give our thanks.

- **Treasurer**

Efforts to find a new treasurer are ongoing.

Denise has not yet had time to meet, Marion is unsure if she has time to take on the task.

Lori is very tentative about her ability as she is very new to accounting.

Marion has done a great deal of catch – up and preparation work in order to make the transfer to a new bookkeeper as easy as possible

Final Final #'s now in for Emily

MSC to accept Treasurers report: Marion, Cathy

- **Building Ctte: Jake and James**

Written report submitted

Plans continue for a new building and site.

Discussion about the possibility of a “Friends of Shuswap Theatre Vision” membership category or account to make it possible for people who do not want to become theatre members to be able to financially contribute to a new building. Board members expressed concern about how this might actually work in practical terms and who would do the record keeping. Building ctte will discuss further at their mtg on Thursday.

- **Scene Shop: John**

John has begun cleanup of the dumpster pad, has spent \$385 and will submit receipts.

- **Prompter: Susan**

Next Prompter will be published Sept 1/09

Need info on Youth theatre, Improv nights, Grants, Fall Fair and AGM.

Mtg Adjourned 8:50 pm