

MCP Board Minutes September 7, 2016

Attending: Darren Lee, Perry Gary, Lauren Catlin, Eric Grimm, Jason Gonzalez, Lara Gonzalez, Matt Lisa, Tess Catlin

Excused: Julie Poux, Peyton Hahn, Jon Eckman

Call to order: Lara called to order at 7:47pm

Approval of August Minutes: Perry moves to accept the minutes as is and Darren seconded. Motion carried 4-0-4

Approval of August Treasurer Report: We have \$1381.57 in the bank, there will be some small revenue additions including the Kings Island fundraiser and collecting rent from other groups using Theatre 42. LM&M check has still not come but we need that check to pay September rent. Tess motioned to accept the report as is, Eric seconded, and motion passed 8-0-0

Committee Reports

Communications - They met, there were notes, and they are doing exactly what they need to be doing.

Finance - Matt reported about the Murder Train; he volunteered MCP to act on the LM&M train. There is the potential for this to be a significant fundraiser. There will be 9 actors involved. Matt will be the point person for this event. Matt may need some assistance in a week or two from those with experience with improvisation. Eric brought up that MCP might benefit from working selling Italian Ice next summer. This will be something to investigate more at a later date.

Liaison - DRS received very balanced reviews. Nothing additional to report.

Membership - Perry reported that the committee is working on banquet stuff. It will be at the same location as last year. The date will be January 7 for 2017. Perry is still finalizing the banquet checklist for others to use a reference.

Production/Facilities - They met and reviewed the priority list. There has been a lot of rearranging of stuff within Theatre 42. MCP has a lot of trim, DO NOT BUY TRIM FOR SETS! There will be a lot of stuff that MCP does not need and these items will be sold to make \$ for MCP.

Performance - They met! There is a list of things that could be improved upon for future shows, based on the feedback of DRS. There is a basic structure in place for each position in a show. One issue brought up was whether or not to include a volunteer requirement in order to audition for MCP shows. The board will develop in writing future volunteer requirements for those who are involved in MCP shows. Darren suggested that membership draft this type of a document and bring it back to the board.

DRS Final - There was some \$ made. Lauren brought up that the summer musicals are more expensive all around to produce so income should be estimated low. The profit was \$5,000. Lauren also pointed out that the finance committee has been considering raising ticket prices during the summer musical next year, but nothing has been finalized yet as to when that will begin. The performance committee will draft a document stating that overages not approved by the producer of a show will not be reimbursed. This is a work in progress.

Murder is Bad but Monday Can Kill You update - Laureen brought a proposed budget. Based on the proposed budget, there will be a profit. Matt pointed out that the reputation of this show should drive many people to come out and see it. Jason moved to approve the budget, Eric seconded, and motion passed 8-0-0

Thomas update - The Thomas fundraiser was a success. We made over \$6700! It further cemented MCP's relationship with the LM&M. Lara commented that the individual approach works best for smaller fundraisers, such as the LM&M North Pole event.

Cemetery Walk - This is coming along, Laureen is in need of three more male actors. The female actors are in place. Matt volunteered to fill the role for one of the male roles.

Inspecting Carol auditions - These will be on 24 & 25 of September. Communications is on for that. Darren will get a few people to help out during auditions. Will help on the 25th 7-9pm

2018 Season discussion

- Does MCP ask for show proposals too far in advance? The decision was to keep the time frame as is for the time being.
- September 26th will be the cutoff for submissions before the September 28 meeting.
- Season ticket price - next year, the musical will increase ticket prices by \$2 for each ticket price. Laureen moved that season ticket holders who have previously purchased season tickets at \$42 will remain at that price, new season ticket holders will get a season ticket for \$50, Eric seconded this motion, motion passed 8-0-0. The finance committee will put this in writing.