

Theatre Unlimited

Annual General – June 12, 2009

Welcome and Introductions

- Michael opened the meeting at 7:42 pm and welcomed everyone
- Michael extended his congratulations to everyone for their hard work and dedication on Fiddler. TU was awarded Subscribers Choice.
- Michael presented Jan with her award on behalf of the group.
- Ginny was voted the most supportive cast member from the cast for all her hard work on assisting with the choreography

Turtle Jacks

- In conjunction with Turtle Jacks and TU we have introduced a 10% receipt value. When you receive you bill, make sure to sign the back of it with “Theatre Unlimited” and put in box

TU Camping Trip

- A camping trip for TU members in being organized by Erin and Glenn. It will be held July 17-19. If anyone is interested in going they should let Erin or Glenn know. Cost for two nights is \$85.00. 6 people per site are allowed.

Minutes from last AGM – June 2008

- Moved by Glenn Pringle, Seconded by Maria DePalma – All in favour

Business Arising from the Minutes

- Sponsorship – have hired a company this year that will deal directly with following up on any of our leads in terms of sponsorship. Hopefully, when the economic times get better we will see an increase in our sponsorship

Financial Statements and Treasurers Report

- John reported that we are starting to receive donations now due to our charitable status. A thank you went out to those that arranged a donation thru their companies
- A review of our grant application thru Miss Arts Council has taken place and they have come back to us questioning if TU was a year round company. We have submitted our explanation and we are hoping that we will still be able to apply for grants in the future
- We were presented with an opportunity to purchase a pre-made set for Beauty in the Beast. This show is on TU’s schedule in 3 years and the board agreed that though we would have to store it for 3 years, the cost to build it would cost us a significant amount more and in the long run it would save us money. The Board decided to purchase it. Part of the grant money was used to cover this.

- Capital grant – 3 laptops have been purchased from the Capital grant money
- 40% of our show expenses are from Meadowvale Theatre. The city does get the money back even though we get a grant from them
- Jeff (a member of TU) has a concern that Meadowvale Theatre is over charging the groups that rent their space. He suggested that all the theatre groups get together and write Hazel a letter regarding this. Michael stated that Jeff's sentiments are shared with all the theatre groups across the board. There are several individuals investigating areas that could save money for all of the theatre groups. Michael reported that the groups are starting to work collaboratively with each other i.e. shared costume space, a lot of sharing between groups on props, costumes, etc., starting to build dynamically between the 4 groups, and trying to utilize our resources better. They are also looking at other ideas for collaboration – i.e. there is an Advisory Board working with the Peel Board to investigate the possibility of working out of the school that is attached to the theatre.
- Tickets prices – capital improvement fund – there is a fee embedded in our ticket prices that goes directly to Meadowvale Theatre. It was suggested that on behalf of this board that a letter be sent to the Advisory Board with the suggestion that instead of embedded the price into our tickets, that it should be a service fee on top of the ticket price. Membership agreed and requested that this be brought forward and reported back to the membership
- John asked for a motion to move on the financial statements – Moved by Jeff, Seconded by Stephen, All in favour

Nominations of Officers

- Vacant position – Michael announced that Aaron Smaller was stepping down from the Board due to some personal issues. It was put to the membership to see if there was any interest in anyone filling a position on the Board. No interest was expressed. Position will remain vacant and the Board will actively look to replace. In the interim, Kris Light will handle the website until we fill the position.
- Standing Members Year 2:
 - Gloria Buchert
 - Michael Buchert
 - Gillian Rodrigue
 - Stephen Froom
 - Paul Meisner
- Members For Re-election:
 - Roslyn Fortier
 - John Scholl
 - Lori Koenen
 - David Charchalis

- Glenn Pringle
- Susan Pringle

If not objections, the following members stand for another term. Motion by Joanne Finley (??????),
Seconded by Michael Sumbler (?????), All in favour

Correspondence

- No correspondence

New Business

- No new business

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm