

TNT Membership Meeting

Monday, April 12, 2021

M I N U T E S

- **Call to order:** M. Lucas called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.
- **Approval of Agenda (additions/deletions):** L. Bennett moved to approve, R. Sinesio seconded. Motion carried.
- **Secretary's Report & Approval of Minutes:** L. Bennett moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept them as posted on the TNT website, R. Sinesio seconded. Motion carried.
- **Treasurer's Report:** L. Bennett reported our low checking account balance and shared that we did receive a \$200 donation; however, in order to have a cushion for the next few months, she has approached the endowment committee for money. M. Burnsworth reported the steps that need to be taken before the money is given from the endowment fund. Step 1 is the treasurer asking for a specific amount - in this case, \$2000. Step 2 is that $\frac{2}{3}$ of the endowment committee need to agree to that amount. Both steps have been taken care of at this time. Step 3 is that 8/10 board members need to vote in favor of the money going from endowment to the general fund, which occurred at the board meeting immediately prior to this meeting. Step 4 is the membership needing to vote as well, which is why this process waited until tonight. M. Burnsworth reported that the endowment committee has allocated \$5000 to be given to the general fund, because the membership meetings are not always convenient. L. Bennett made a motion that \$5000 be given from the endowment fund to carry the theatre through the end of the fiscal year. R. Sinesio seconded. Motion carried.
- **The World Goes Round:** D. Nuhfer reported that we had a successful production despite cast changes. The show was well received with positive reviews. The attendance count was 92 on Friday, 93 on Saturday, and 98 on Sunday; however, we didn't make a great deal of money. The exact numbers will be decided between L. Bennett and the Robins.

The shows we have chosen were discussed, as many of them did not/will not bring in the people that the Robins would expect. The future auxiliary shows we may do there will need to be discussed by the board to decide if it would be a worthwhile endeavor.

Our goal is to be back in our own theatre by September, but as we must follow the government's mandates, it may not be possible.
- **Summer Season:** L. Bennett reported that we have playwrights from the area who submitted shows for the summer season. We have a show or two that may require a director, and the membership was asked to let the board/playreading committee know if they are interested in directing. Because of the lack of royalties, we will be able to perform back in our own theatre for these shows.
- **Looking:** E. Wason reported that our final play, *Looking*, will be performed at the Robins theater the weekend of May 14th. Director Ben Gavitt has cast this show and is in rehearsals. Please let us know if you would like to usher.

- **Annual Meeting Announcement:** M. Lucas reported to the membership that we have set the date for our annual meeting, to be held Monday, June 21st at 7:00 PM.
- **Nominating Committee:** L. Bennett reported to the membership that there are 3 seats available on our board of trustees and 1 seat available on the endowment committee. If anyone is interested in running, please contact her, Patience Miles, or Brett Bunker.
- **Good of the Order:** None.
- **Adjournment:** L. Bennett moved to adjourn at 7:10 PM, R. Sinesio seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,
Emma Wason, Secretary
Trumbull New Theater Board of Trustees, 2021