



Oregon STRAW HAT PLAYERS

Meeting Minutes - July 21, 2021

Stephanie Drahozal (President) [X]	Mark Daspit [X]
Jen Nichols Kapusta (Vice President) [X]	Will Karls [X]
Sandy Briski (Treasurer) [X]	Helena Pope [Absent]
Sierra Rottier (Secretary) [X]	Mark Wegner [X]
Sami Elmer Kapusta [X]	

Meeting was held virtually, over Zoom. Called to order at 7:00pm.

Treasurer's Report

Received a check for \$100 from St. Ambrose for costumes. \$1250 has been collected so far for workshops; we paid \$10.70 in PayPal fees. Cabaret expenses were \$127.60 for sheet music, \$269 for royalties, and \$250 for lighting.

Building

The board will take over the painting project - Mark Daspit will now lead this project (power washing, painting, moving lumber behind building). Will probably combine this with a shed clean out day, likely in September.

Workshops

First workshop went very well. Will offer the chance to sign up for just one of the two monologue workshop dates. Jen reached out to the Boys and Girls Club to offer a few free workshop spots - no response. She will try to reach out to One City Schools. If workshops are offered in future years, we could reach out to United Way.

Cabaret

Sound editing is in process, the file will then be sent to OCA to be linked with the video. Most major video recording is finished. The recording can then be uploaded to showtix4u (Nate or OCA may be able to help with this). A facebook ad targeting Dane County can be put out, should not be very expensive. Jen can ask OCA to add a slide at the end of the recording in case of buffering issues. OCA will be making DVDs for the staff and cast. Mark Daspit makes a motion for the board to cover that cost, Stephanie seconds.

Upcoming Season

Fall/Winter Ideas - Stephanie could direct, but not produce. A few small musicals and plays were discussed, but it was ultimately decided that Stephanie will possibly direct a live, holiday-themed cabaret in late fall/early winter. Jen and Will can co-produce. We can reach out to local businesses as potential performance spaces.

June - Still looking into bringing back Sweeney Todd. Jen will send out a poll to gauge interest. If the interest is there, the show will potentially be performed mid-late June.

August - Looking at smaller, adult shows for late summer. Possible directors - Sarah Karlen, Will K, Duane Draper.

Membership - OSHP membership typically lasts for three years after the most recent show someone has participated in. Mark Daspit will draft a temporary amendment to extend this due to the pandemic. Potential bylaw change needs to be sent out prior to the annual meeting.

Scholarships

Scholarships approved for Beau Jacobs and Audra Dyer. Sierra will update spreadsheet, contact recipients, and get this information to Sandy.

Arts Spotlight Event

OSHP was invited to have a booth at a local Arts Spotlight event. The board agreed that OSHP should take part. Could bring the logo banner from the building. Sierra will sign the group up and email the board more information.

The Annual Meeting will be virtual again due to the pandemic. It will be held September 19th at 7pm.

Next monthly meeting will be held August 25th at 7pm over Zoom.

Sierra Rottier - OSHP Secretary