



Oregon

STRAW HAT PLAYERS

May 21, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes

Julie Wood (President)	x	Susan Milleville (Secretary)	x	Becky Rosenow	x
Sarah Karlen (Vice President)	x	Duane Draper	x	Brian Mixtacki	x
Evan Fitzgerald (Treasurer)	x	John Unertl III	x	Stephanie Drahozal	X

The President called the meeting to order at 9:00.

We adopted the agenda.

The minutes were approved after a correction was made from OSH to OHS (Oregon High School).

A Big Fish production staff meeting was discussed as well as budget concerns.

2016-2017 shows were discussed. Stephanie will be producing the December 2016 show. April show dates will be April 7 – 9, 2017. There was interest by one person to possibly direct an upcoming show.

Scholarships were discussed. There were seven qualified applicants including five college scholarships and two camp/workshop scholarships.

The Dane Arts grant was discussed. We are to receive \$834.60. Theatre grants from Dane Arts in general were discussed as well as what it may take to receive these grants in the future.

Shining Stars letters were to be sent out to regular donors. Stephanie will get log in information to database to Julie. Corporate sponsors were discussed and the method that other groups have had success using which include a letter followed up by a phone call.

John gave a sign ordinance update. It was discussed that Julie would send a letter to other nonprofits to help coordinate efforts to allow for continued signs to support our productions.

The treasurer gave an update regarding balance sheet information which is at \$23,402.36.

Information was shared from the building committee meeting. Some discussion was had regarding having Cody work on taking trees down. The remaining mortgage was discussed. Performance space at either a new senior center or a new Academy of Sound location were discussed.

Duane gave a school stage update and discussed that the floor would be replaced starting June 13th. Also, the church will not be using the school this summer. The school district will not be holding summer school at the high school.

An August 7, 2016, strike and show party were discussed as well as an August 29, 2016 (7:00 p.m.) annual meeting date.

Ticket prices were discussed, and it was decided that fees should be paid by customers when ordering online rather than by us. The motion was presented by Becky and seconded by Stephanie. It passed by a unanimous voice vote to be effective immediately.

The parade is Sunday, June 26, 2016. John planned to enter the group in the parade. The \$15 fee will be paid.

John mentioned that the Bucky Book free books would be assigned by June 3, 2016.

The new lawnmower was discussed and a mowing schedule is to be prepared.

Discussion was had involving involvement in the scholarship fundraiser to be held at the high school and how the dates may impact Big Fish rehearsals.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 26, 2016 at 2:00. A board meeting was also scheduled for July 30, 2016 to discuss Hats Off Awards.

The agenda being complete and no further business being proposed, the meeting adjourned and was followed by a work day at the building.

Susan Milleville, Secretary