

**Fremont Community Theatre and Literary Society, Inc.
Board of Trustees Meeting: March 15, 2021**

Current Board (2020-2021)

xJim Posey, President	xRandy Brown, Trustee
xSarah Stamm, Vice President	xFloyd Collins, Trustee
xLynne Wagner, Secretary	xAshly Conley, Trustee *arrived a few minutes late
xMary Jo Foos, Treasurer	xCyrus Foos, Trustee
xDaleen Askins, Chairman of the Board	

Meeting location: Zoom

Meeting called to order: Daleen Askins called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

Guests

In attendance: Kyleigh Lash

Guest Comments or Concerns: Will speak during the Teen committee

Secretary's Report

Board Meeting: February 15, 2021 minutes

Corrections to minutes: None

Motion to accept: Floyd Collins, Randy Brown- 2nd

All approve, Motion carried

Treasurer's Report*

Treasurer's Report is only available by request.

*Motion to file for audit:

Motioned by: Cyrus Foos

Show In House Report: No show is currently in-house

Liaison (last show) Report: No report given due to COVID shutdown

Correspondence

Cheryle Wendt Key laminated the News-Messenger article and included a signed card wishing you a good 2021.

Committee Reports

Audit Report:

Becky White: As soon as I can get some information from Rick Holland, I should be able to take care of the audit.

Box Office:

Mary Jo Foos is reworking the seating chart to allow the 25% allowance, which would be 47 patrons. We will need to have the board look over the suggested ticket prices for the teen show in the future.

Building and Grounds:

Mike Batdorf and Brian Morland are still getting us quotes for the over build for a permanent replacement of the rubber roof. I checked in last week and they said they will get us a quote soon.

Constitution and By-Laws:

Nothing new to report.

Costumes:

Sue Stötz, Ashly Conley: Dresses donated by Steve Oberst. Mary Jo and I will sort, take what I think we might need; then Randy Brown will take the rejects to Share and Care. Phil Wylkanowitz needs to borrow a vest if we have one that suits him.

Covid-19 Spotlight Show:

The Covid-19 spotlight show committee proposes to produce a spotlight show of "A Virtual Whodunnit" by Flip Kobler and Cindy Marcus with an opener of "Post-its" (Notes on a Marriage) by Paul Dooley and Winnie Holzman for the weekend of 5/21 – 5/23/2021 for 3 performances with Saturday night's performance being streamed. Tim Bolton will be directing both of them. Auditions will need to be set. Rights were able to be secured for both shows. Dramatists have been contacted about cancelling our request for "Impromptu" since we were unable to hear back. Also, Playscripts was contacted to change dates for "Post Its" and we were granted the change.

Performance times will remain the same, ticket costs in-person will remain the same, and streaming tickets will be \$15 per person.

Floyd Collins makes a motion to produce the Covid-19 Spotlight Show suggested above barring any issues with performance dates. Ashley Conley accepted the motion, Randy Brown seconded. All approved, motion carried.

Director's Resource Manual:

Sarah Stamm - I am still working on the Covid Spotlight director's info. We have some changes coming up. That committee still needs to answer the board's questions from last time and then I'll be able to finish it up as we begin production.

Grants: Nothing new to report.

Graphics Designer:

Floyd Collins, Ryan Blechinger - Thank you Jim for asking Ryan and I our thoughts on the graphic you made for the membership meeting.

Historian:

Mary Jo Foos would like to meet with some older members who could help identify members in old photos.

House Managers:

Daleen Askins – Working on a report for cleaning for possible shows.

Membership:

Sarah Stamm - I've gotten in some dues and have everything up to date in the roster. If we're having a membership meeting, hopefully the last few will finish up their forms.

Murder Mystery Troupe: Nothing new to report

Newsletter Editor:

Jim Posey - will be sent out once things are finalized about our spotlight show and we get definitive audition dates and such.

North Lot Planning: has been tabled until further notice

OCTA Delegate: Nothing new to report

Patronage: Nothing new to report

Play Reading: Nothing new to report

Playbill and Program Editor: N/A

Props: Nothing new to report.

Publicity:

I attended Downtown Fremont's annual membership meeting. Very cool numbers and happenings even through the pandemic. Interspersed with statistics Kristie had included photos of some of the Farmer's Markets. One picture was the Rutherford B. Hayes Traveling Museum. Idea: Looking at Mary Jo's Facebook post of some of the archival things she's found, what if we were to build a traveling Fremont Community Theater museum to put up at Markets that fit? Such as Crop Circle which is supposed to highlight local artists?

We can hang Dollar Tree Framed Photos. Put out the Laurel books Tracy made a few years back. Put some of our homemade costumes on mannequins. And have television and player of archived performances??? Just another idea to keep the "We're Still Here" vibe while we wait for the doors to open. Floyd Collins book is missing. The board likes the idea of the traveling museum for FCT

If so, do we want to purchase a summer banner for Downtown Fremont? This is the month they are looking for banner sponsors. There are the planter signs as well. I currently cannot find my pricing brochure. If these are something the Board would like to go forward with, I'll contact Kristie Bilger to get the costs on those. The board will hold off for this year on banners and revisit the next time.

Record Retention: Nothing new to report

Season Tickets and Patronage: N/A

Social Committee: N/A

Social Media: Broadway trivia will be held on March 27, 2021 as a co-hosted event with the Birchard Public Library just to make sure our name is out there. We have a few members that have hosted Facebook birthday fundraisers.

Teen Theatre:

We surveyed the teens and held a separate committee group on Facebook and Zoom to help plan this summer's events. Kyleigh Lash presented the show idea for teens.

FCTT will like to do a show this summer, if possible. Kyleigh Lash would like to direct the show, the Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon. She has not determined an assistant director. The show is a one act, just 60 minutes, and will be limited to 20 teens to maintain social distancing. They would like to bump up ticket costs to \$15 each. They are planning on one weekend: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. \$200 for royalties, \$500 for scripts, \$250 for streaming and archival video, \$300 for costuming, \$250 for set for \$1500 total. They would like to charge a costuming fee of \$25 per person. They are looking at July 9, 10, and 11, 2021 for performance dates. Auditions would likely fall in mid to late-May.

Randy Brown makes a motion to accept the Fremont Community Teen Theatre proposal suggested by Kyleigh Lash for the Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon on July 9, 10, and 11, 2021. Ashly Conley seconded the motion. All approved, motion carried.

Teen Theatre Scholarships:

Randy Brown: Sent out two teen scholarship forms to eligible teens. Forms are due back to committee by April 4.

Webmasters and Technology:

The last board approved a dual projector system. This would save a lot of money in sets. I hope this board keeps that in mind and when the treasurer feels we can purchase and install we do so.

Youth Theatre:

FCYT would like to move Lion King Jr to 2022 since Disney titles are unable to be streamed and high cost. Floyd Collins and Ryan Randolph would co-direct the BBB press show, the Grunch, that is available for live, virtual, or pre-recorded streaming online. The show is 60 minutes, would be limited to just 20 members, and would have one weekend of performances. Production dates are July 13 through July 28 (9:30am-12:00pm) with dress rehearsal on the 29th. Performance dates will be held on July 30, 31, and August 1, 2021 and the Saturday performance would also be livestreamed. Camper cost would be \$50, nonrefundable and would need to commit by May 23, 2021 (\$1000 income with 20 campers total). Preference will be given to past campers and family before opening up to the public. \$299 for production kit, \$10 for music cd, \$60 for scripts, \$270 for royalties, \$90 for streaming, \$300 for costumes, and \$250 for set for a \$1279.00 total production cost. Parents are only able to reserve 2 seats in advance (total), then will open the rest up to public and family.

Floyd Collins made a motion to accept the proposal of the Grunch for July 30, 31, and August 1, 2021 as outlined in the FCYT proposal, Cyrus Foos accepted the motion. Ashly Conley seconded it. All approved, motion carried.

Business

Old Business:

Marilyn Missler and the Fremont Middle School Drama Club are will tour FCT on March 23 at 3 pm. Mary Jo (Auditioning), Randy (Prop/Dressing Room), Floyd (Teen Theatre), Bethany (costumes), and Daleen (Pit/Spotlight) will conduct the tour.

Membership Meeting – Saturday, March 20, 2021 at 6:00 pm. Don't forget to mark your calendars!

Daleen contacted Dramatists about postponing the licenses for Kalamazoo and Waiting for Godot. Unfortunately, we did not get Kalamazoo postponed in time, so have to pay for it. Godot has been postponed.

New Business:

Elections – these will be coming up in April. We must set a date! Get the word out. All officers and 2 2-year seats will be up for re-election.

Action Printing is now closed and the business was sold. The board is looking at Engler Printing or other options for playbills.

Prevention Partnership of Sandusky County is interested in using the theatre on Thursday, May 13, 2021 for 40 people from 9-10:30pm. **Floyd Collins makes a motion to approve the usage of the theatre by Prevention Partnership of Sandusky County on May 13, 2021 under the supervision of President Jim Posey. Randy Brown accepted the motion. Cyrus Foos seconded it. All approved, motion carried.** Randy Brown will give Director Tim Bolton a heads up.

Adjournment

Moved to adjourn: Floyd Collins

Time: 7:49pm

Next Meeting

Date: April 19, 2021

Time: 6:00pm

Location:

Send out a thinking of you card to Hank Povolny, 18731 SR 105, Elmore, 43416