Vagabond Players General Meeting

Bernie Legge Theatre

7:00pm February 18, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:04pm.

Executive Members present: Jeremy Heynen, Alex Ross, Ashley Chodat, Roger Monk, Elizabeth Drummond, Warren Johnson and Alison Main.

Regrets: Adam Beggs

1. **Welcome.**

2. **Reading and Approval of Minutes**.

3. **Correspondences:** Shane Rochan from Langley Players, inquired about creating a brochure where community theatres under the CTC umbrella can have their season promoted. Alison Main will follow up with Patty about the CTC's involvement in this project.

4. **Production Reports**
   a. **Rabbit Hole:** The production is going well. We have been receiving positive audience feedback.
   b. **Detroit:** The production is cast and has a crew. Rehearsals will begin on February 24th. There was discussion amongst the membership about the removal of Ken Fynn. A number of members voiced disapproval of this action.

5. **Box Office Report:** 715 tickets have been sold for Rabbit Hole so far. The Paypal account issue has been fixed, and Elizabeth Drummond has transferred the funds into the club's chequing account. Jeremy Heynen has also created a box office breakdown.

6. **Treasurer Report:** Alison Main is setting up a meeting with Paula Barclay in regards to bookkeeping.

7. **House Management Report:**
   a. **Thank You**: Lots of FOH help for Rabbit Hole.
   b. **Carpeting:** We will move forward with carpeting after Rabbit Hole closes.
   c. **Disability Ramp:** Warren and George fixed the loose post on the ramp.
   d. **Washer and Dryer:** The washer and dryer is installed and being put to use.
   e. **Fridge**: A lock will be put on the new fridge behind coffee bar.

8. **Stage Management:** Nothing to report.

9. **Technical Report:** Alex Ross, Faith Hurd, Roger Monk and Miles Lavkulich will meet to discuss moving forward with sound and lights.

10. **Publicity Committee:**
    a. **Reviews:** Tickets should be sent out to Vancouver reviewers, who can see our shows.
    b. **Radio Suggestion:** Contact Dave Radio UBC for interview purposes. He often interviews upcoming theatre in the Lower Mainland.

11. **Playreading Committee**: We will be meeting next on Saturday, February 23rd to read *Mothers and Sons*.

12. **Old Business:**
a. Executive Laptop: Executive laptop will be purchased by the March general meeting.
b. Co-Production: The Board is in the process of going through the Page Theatre's summer show contract.
c. Youth Theatre: We will put advertisements in the newspaper and look for local New Westminster kids ages 11-13. We may have kids interested who are unable to pay the fee, and must consider if we will supply bursaries or scholarships. We will have a program leader and assistant leader. We will get rid of hourly rates and add honorariums instead. The Board will look into any restrictions that may interfere. We will also make participants in the program members of our club, but not charge membership fees. We can look into junior memberships, since they were an option in the past for members under sixteen.

13. **New Business:**
a. Costumes: Bev Pride is sorting through costumes. She has contacted the costumer for Beach House Theatre, to see if they are interested in borrowing our costumes for *Romeo and Juliet*.
b. Next Season: We will return to fifteen performances next season, closing on a Saturday night and getting rid of Saturday matinees. This will exclude the pantomime or Christmas show. Isabel Mendenhall motioned to approve and Alison Main seconded.

c. Dates: The proposed dates for the upcoming season are as follows:

    i. Show #1: October 3rd- 26th 2019

    ii. Show #2: December 5th – 22nd 2019

    iii. Show #3: February 6th – 29th 2020

    iv. Show #4: April 2nd- 25th 2020

    v. Show #5: June 4th- 27th 2020

    Elizabeth Elwood made a motion to accept the dates, Nancy Ebert seconded.

d. Volunteers: Jeremy Heynen will contact North Vancouver regarding their volunteer coordination.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Ashley Chodat