

**Arena Theater Board of Directors**

**Wednesday, March 29, 2023**

**6:00 pm**

1. Call to Order Michael B not in attendance, Mitch called meeting to order
2. Roll Call – Paul, Shauna, Harm, Dagmar and Phil, Lisa, Mitch, Mark, Rod, Blake, Sundance
3. Privilege of the Floor/Correspondence/Suggestion Box – Jess Raphael – possible candidate for Board, introduced himself and gave a taste of his biography
4. Approval of Minutes from February 22, 2023 board meeting – Harm moved, Blake, seconded – approved by majority vote

**REPORTS:**

5. President's Report – Pres. not in attendance
6. Treasurer's Report - \$1330 loss in February, \$11438 to date for year, we need to find ways to stop ongoing losses, even though we have events that make money we have programs that continue to lose money monthly
7. Standing Committee Reports
  - a. Membership Committee

Annual membership meeting and board election update

    1. \$834 in membership income
    2. Membership down overall, talk of targeting specific groups in the community instead of blanket coverage with letters etc.
    3. Board mtg combined with election information, six candidates
    4. Dagmar suggests deadline of 4/10 for online voting to start, so we need candidate statements ASAP so she can get the word out.
    5. Candidates
      1. Tim McMurtry
      2. Blake More
      3. Jono More
      4. Jeff Rafael
      5. Mark Venderwoude
      6. Kat Gleason
  - b. Fund Development Committee
    - \$2654 total donations
    - Paul and Mitch have a draft of the Spring Letter will distribute soon to Board

Art Auction and Cocktail Party fundraiser update

- 4/15 date, on track
- Adv poster – blake, completed and distributed
- Cock/Mocktails menu
- Artwork and photos to roll out soon
- B Pratt volunteered to help with decorations
- Mitch and blake – auctioneers
- Beer and wine in the concession stand, drinks from bar, still looking into bar service downstairs
- **Needed** – wait staff, greeters, and auction runners

c. Programming Committee (includes cinema, live, SoS, telecasts, publicity, and film club)

- Issue with the projector, Tim Balambao(?) working on it
- Creed III in two weeks

Live:

- Two successful events, Latin Banda show and Blues show
  - Tim felt we opened theater as a party place, quite a bit of maintenance after the Banda show, others feel we need to address this with more security and limitation of in and out access
  - Blake says lots of Latino community praising the event

Upcoming

- April, One man show to coincide with Fringe Fest
- May – PAHS band concert
- Tommy Castro, ticket sales already brisk

Telecasts

- April – 3 operas (no more CoVid restrictions)
- April 23 – Exhibition on Screen, Vemeer
- May – 1 opera
- May 6 – NTL Crucible

SoF – great turn out for Everything, Everywhere, All AT Once

Publicity – busy, busy, busy

Film Club – 3/27 did well, one more film in season then hiatus and decision to be made about going forward

d. Facilities Committee

- Sewer line repair done, expenses shared with other business on Front St.
- Satellite dish adjusted
- Banda recovery- fix toilet and shampoo carpet, scrub balcony floor (needs doing)
- Deep cleaning, Tim feels staff are doing a great job, Cobwebs doens and overall effort by all is working

e. Personnel Committee – no meeting

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

6. Discussion and vote regarding Bryn Harris proposed rental, Shauna –
  - Classes each Tuesday (theater dark)
  - \$100 per Tuesday in rental fee to theater
  - Discussion of acces, heating, etc.
  - Issue will be put to vote of Board
  
7. Next meeting date—Wednesday, April 26