

Washington High School Patrons of the Performing Arts

Meeting Minutes

February 9, 2016

Call to Order by Heidi Becker, President at 7:05 PM.

Meeting minutes from 1/5/16 meeting unanimously approved. (Suzie Coleman/Gwen Engen)

Treasurer's Report: Pending at this time-formal report for next month's meeting. State speech will be hosted by Washington next year; have reserved \$5000 for the next competition. We are still receiving new member registrations. The Caraway family has graciously named the PPA organization as beneficiaries of memorials in honor of Neal.

Membership: (Received 2 additional memberships today, not counted in totals) Current membership is 117 families, up from 112. \$19,945 total membership.

Program:

Bill Lammers-Performing Arts Technicians

Formally recognized as a club at Washington. 20 regular attendees; 30 or so inclusive of all members. This group works on sets, scenery. Includes students that also participate in band, orchestra, sports. This group receives good support from PPA and the district. All construction in the auditorium has been completed, except replacement of the doors. Seats in the auditorium will be replaced in 2018-2019. Rigging and curtains are 3 years old; lighting is much improved after fundraiser 3 years ago. The light board that the students use is industry standard; equal to the light board used at TCR and Paramount. Scene shop is fully stocked. Bill has worked 23 years at Washington, has fantastic directors and supportive staff. Neither the Little Theatre or Auditorium are ADA compliant; there has been some grandfathering of all requirements, but some modifications will still need to be done.

New Business:

MoShow-this weekend! Still need lots of volunteers, primarily in Parent Hosts/Cashiers/Parking.

TCR Event: Darcy Caraway has volunteered to work with TCR to secure an event as we have done in years past as a fundraiser. There were two options: 1) We buy the house, and sell seats, we take the risk (this is what we have done in the past) and 2) We are provided a code that we push out to friends and family; we receive a percentage of ticket sales. (this is what we will do for this year). Considering either The Little Mermaid or American Idiot as the show we will select. More details to come.

Open Floor: 2016 State Speech will be held at Washington; this will be held the week prior to MoShow. Heidi has provided some suggestions for committee members to start this work. May want to consider discussing a partnership with Cedar Valley Christian School to assist.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:35 PM; unanimous approval.