## Hidden Hills Theater Committee Meeting August 5, 2019

The Theater Committee meeting was attended by Nathalie Blossom, Marsha Weidman, Kedra Gottlieb, Courtney Newman, Karleen Basch, Farnaz Fardad-Finn, Pamela Boothe and Board Liaison Debbie Seror.

**June Meeting Minutes**- A motion to approve the June minutes was made by Nathalie Blossom and seconded by Pamela Boothe. Nathalie asked that the phone instructions be printed in bigger font and that Palmer did attend the last BBQ, but she did not meet and greet the children. Nathalie also added that Lauren Myers will start attending meetings next month. Nathalie asked to have Lauren's email added to the Committee list.

**New Committee Chairperson-** Kedra Gottlieb and Karleen Basch have volunteered to co-chair the Committee once Nathalie and Pamela step down. Before the ladies take over they would like to know the protocols. Jackie said the Committee has a mission statement on the website, but no Committee Charter. Debbie told the Committee that a few Committees are working on revising their charters and suggested the Theater Committee work on one as well. Marsha said that she and David are still working on rules and policies for theater use. The committee also discussed updating the Committee member list.

**Summer Report-** Nathalie reported that Gloria's final production of "Witches of Oz" was a fine farewell party. The show was emotional and wonderful with the full 7 member cast and Samara was sensational. There were children from past generations and it was a great sendoff.

**Theater Works (Palmer Davis) Fall Production-** Nathalie reported that rehearsals will now be on Tuesday's from 4:30 to 6:60 pm. Rehearsals start on Tuesday September  $3^{rd}$  (auditions are not mentioned on the flyer) with tech week December  $3^{rd} - 6^{th}$  and show dates on December  $6^{th}$  at 7:00 pm and December  $7^{th}$  at 2:00 pm. The show is "Alice in Wonderland" and tuition is \$240.00 per child.

**Jaxx Fall Production-** Farnaz reported that the fall production is "Matilda" with auditions on Thursday August 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:15 pm. Rehearsals are on Thursdays at 4:15 pm and show dates are November 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm and there will be an extra show if there is a cast of 25 or more on November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

**David's Tech Report-** David was not able to attend, so he sent Nathalie an email of his report that has been included in the meeting packets. His email read; To the best of my knowledge, technology-wise, movie nights have been going smoothly, and there were no major technical problems during Gloria's last show(s) or celebration. Since our last meeting we replaced and repaired a damaged overhead stage mic, purchased two (2) "backup" overhead mics to keep "in reserve," and purchased windscreens for all the stage and audience mics to cut down on the air conditioning noise that still need to be installed (they are currently in an open box in the booth). The audio system Mixer and patch bay

have been completely reconfigured and relabeled to make them easier to understand and operate and there are 3 new manuals in the booth that are being updated to reflect the most recent changes:

- 1. HHCA Theatre A/V Manual (Complete)
- 2. Movies ONLY (as short as possible); and
- 3. Lighting ONLY

There is some work remaining to be done on the audio/video recording system, but I hope to complete that before the meeting.

**Fiesta Parade-** The Committee will meet the Friday before at Nary Barnhill's home to work on the float.

**Triple Talent-** Nathalie reported that show dates have been scheduled for May 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> and rehearsals will start in January. The Committee discussed clarification on Triple Talents tuition. They would like to keep the costs the same as it were a Gloria show. Courtney said it cost about \$8,000.00 just for the labor for Gloria's productions. The Committee decided to have a separate budget meeting to discuss the matter. Courtney asked Jackie to have Shannon email her the actual expenses for Gloria's productions for the past 3 years.

## **Items Not On The Agenda**

- 1. Courtney said the camp kids are going in the theater with their wet bathing suits. Jackie said she will let the camp know.
- 2. Farnaz told the Committee that absorbing the Valentine Musical reception and the Magic Show to theater Committee inflates the budget and other residents already feel too much money is spent on theater so maybe there should be a Community Events budget for certain events.

The Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.