

Hidden Hills
Theater Committee Meeting
November 4, 2019

The Theater Committee meeting was attended by Kedra Gottlieb, Tamika Watkins, Farnaz Fardad-Finn, Karleen Basch, Courtney Newman, Marika Foley, Carrie Levis, Natalie Blossom, Lauren Meyers and Board liaison Debbie Seror.

October Meeting Minutes- A motion to approve the October 2019 minutes was made by David Stanley and seconded by Courtney Newman.

Theater Vendor Background Checks- Karleen Basch reported that she has met with Shannon and currently there is no rule that requires the Association to ask vendors for background checks. David suggested the Committee contact other HOA's or community centers to see what their rules are. Tamika said that Jaxx will submit background clearance transfers for their staff. A sample of the form was included in the meeting packets. Davis also said that there may be costs involved with getting the background check so the Committee may want to add those funds to the budget.

Jaxx Matilda Production- Farnaz reported that next week is tech week/hot set. Jackie said she has already informed Palmer that she will have to rehearse in the rec room. Tamika confirmed that for Matilda rehearsal start times will continue at 4:15 pm, but moving forward rehearsals will begin at 4:30 pm. Farnaz reported the Spring show will be "Willy Wonka and The Chocolate Factory" with performance dates on May 8th and 9th. Tamika said the tech group would like to meet with David when they load in on Sunday at 11:00 am. David agreed.

Palmer Davis Kids' Works- David reported that Palmers father was deceased in a car accident so he and Nathalie will be helping her with the production as needed. Carrie said that she has not yet told the parents and is planning to at Tuesday's rehearsal. Carrie also reported that there have been a few hiccups with the production of "Alice In Wonderland", some disorganization, but Palmer has been responsive and fixing problems they arise. Carrie continued to say that the kids are enjoying her and she prefers to wait to ask for feedback from the parents until after the show. The Committee discussed enforcing a dress code due to a student wearing an inappropriate t-shirt. Lauren said that there has been extensive down time for the kids who are not rehearsing their parts at that time. At last week's reversal Lauren spent an hour and forty five minutes with the kids playing outside. Lauren continued to say that there are a lot of positives, but some issues do need to be addressed. She feels Palmer should have a sign in/out sheet so she knows who actually attended rehearsal and when they were picked up. Carrie said since she has built a relationship with Palmer she will have a conversation with her on Tuesday to discuss the Committees concerns.

Triple Talent- Karleen and Kedra reported that they have been in several meetings with Neisha and they still have not found a way to fit her production of "Annie" in the budget. When they

make her an offer she comes back with a negotiation. The Committee discussed having Neisha teach a weekly “boot camp” program if the production of “Alice” doesn’t work out. The Committee agreed that they will no longer negotiate and will offer a firm contract of \$479.00 cost per child, the parents pay \$329.00, the HOA subsidizes \$90.00 with a remainder of \$60.00 where Neisha absorbs \$30.00 and the last \$30.00 will come out of the Theater children’s production budget. Courtney made a motion to offer Neisha from Triple Talent the prices mentioned above, Carrie seconded the motion; the Committee was all in favor.

Valentine Musicale- David announced that the Valentine Musicale is on February 7th and 8th. The show is “Once Upon A Time in Hidden Hills”. So far he has 20 actors from the previous shows and if there are more people interested he needs to know right away since they will actually have roles that need to be assigned and costumes that need to be ordered and fitted, because this year we will be renting costumes and instruments for the “band.” David also suggested we try to hire Tommy Tassi to sing oldies during the party in the Rec Room for which the Committee is now responsible. The Committee discussed limiting bar drinks to 2 per person per show and trying to keep the music/noise level low enough to encourage conversation. It seems that some guests have been taking advantage of the free bar and coming to the show intoxicated. Jackie said she will send a notification to the community with information about signing up to be in the show and to submit their choice of charity for the Committee to review.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 pm.