

Hidden Hills Theater Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 3, 2022

In Attendance

Karleen, Stacey, Alison, Tamika, Erica (by phone), Swetha, Michelle (HOA representative)

Minutes recorded by Swetha

Meeting called to order at 10:10AM

Last month's meeting minutes are approved.

Motion to approve: Tamika

Second approval: Karleen

Jaxx:

- We are starting rehearsals this Thursday.
- There was an issue with a member of the Jaxx staff at auditions. They were showing off their tattoo on their stomach to people. They also said not very nice things about Karleen's daughter to Karleen. Karleen decided to e-mail Jaxx regarding this incident. Karleen received a sincere apology from Jaxx and they said they do not condone that kind of behavior. Jaxx said that the staff member's behavior was inappropriate. The staff member was also not very accommodating to new families during the auditions. If this happens again, we should be able to ask for a replacement.

Fiesta Float:

- Jaxx will rent flat bed and use their own truck. We need the flat bed before Saturday so we can decorate. We should rent it from the Agoura UHaul on Thursday.
- We have permission from the city to park the flatbed in the neighborhood. Karleen spoke with Natalie Blossom (former Theater Committee Chair) regarding what they used to do for the float. Kids used to decorate the float at Mary Barnhill's house (she lives past the bus stop).
- Karleen mentioned concerns regarding candy and fentanyl. We decided to get Dum Dum lollipops and Ring pops for the float. We decided not to pass out chocolate because it will melt. Michelle will order the candy we need.
- We will not use costumes for the float. Kids will wear items from the costume closet or things from home.

- We have \$400 for the fiesta float. Alison is on the sub committee for decorations. We are allocating \$100 for flat bed rental, \$200 for candy and \$100 for decorations.

Randall Wallace Show

- Randall Wallace showed up at 10:45AM for his 10:15AM presentation.
- His last show (pre-COVID) was in Malibu. He showed clips from his movies and discussed the process of how the scene was made with the music.
- He has been working with a group of 5-6 musicians and would like to work with them on the HH show. He would like to finish the show with live music with the band and have people dance and hang out. The show would be 90 minutes and he is open to an intermission. All ticket proceeds would go to Habitat For Humanity.
- The show dates are February 4th and 5th. He would like to get in the theater a few weeks before to prepare.
- Instead of having a ticket price, people could write checks out to Habitat for Humanity for whatever amount they want. People would need to register for the event.
- We will have a subcommittee to handle this event.
- Michelle will make posters for the event and HH can send out an e-mail blast.
- It is a family show with a suggested age of 8 or 9 years old and up.

Class Act Presentation with Jessica Alexander

- She does double casting where kids get one big part and one small part or she can do one part for each kid.
- Class Act is doing Matilda in the Spring but we do not have to do that.
- It is \$4000 to license a show.
- The last weekend in May and the first weekend in June are available for possible show dates. We would need to discuss with Jaxx what their dates are for the Spring show.

- Class Act has 2-3 people at every rehearsal for 12-14 weeks.
- Costumes, hair and make-up are included in the cost.
- They are not strict but they like to have fun and get their work done. They work chronologically through the script. They do not have a tech week. They do a tech day and a dress rehearsal.
- They like to have a minimum of 25 kids in the show.
- A less expensive option is a cabaret style show where they perform duets and in small groups. This is an option if we do not have enough kids.
- They typically charge \$20/ticket if they run ticket sales. If HH runs the ticket sales, then HH keeps the proceeds.
- Families can register through Class Act.
- Our budget is \$11K so we would need 20 kids to sign up.
- Alison spoke with Michael (Jessica's husband) who runs the business side and he seemed open to working with us based on what we can afford.
- We need to go to the board and ask for more money. Class Act is expensive and might not work.
- We should tell them what we can pay and see what they can do.
- A committee member should sit in on a rehearsal to get an idea of how Class Act runs their classes. If we like what we see then maybe we should move forward with submitting a proposal.
- Jaxx is no longer at Round Meadow and Bay Laurel. At RM there was a staff member that was mean and she was replaced. At BL the newer parents were not happy with the role assignments and decided to get Jaxx replaced.

Next meeting is November 7, 2022.

End Meeting: 12:50PM