Minutes for May 12, 2015 Theatre Boosters Meeting

In attendance: Darcy Carberry, Phil Walker, Becky Colbert, Mary Stith

Meeting called to order at 7:44 pm

Treasurer's report: New bank balance as of 3/31/15 Not all receipts and invoices are in yet but Becky will prepare final report and suggestion for next year's budget when all the numbers are in. Darcy will call for a budget meeting this summer.

Old Business:

Phil motioned to approve minutes from April9th meeting, Becky seconded, all approve.

Viking Revue - discussed why attendance might have been lower than usual

Banquet -

Voting: Phil reported that about half the kids participated, and 75% of those who voted did so from smart phones. He will investigate adding photos to the roster for next year. Most surveys were completed within 15 minutes. Suggested additions to voting categories: Best costume, actor/actress most willing to do anything, funniest, most improved at his/her craft. Next year the codes will be sent directly to the kids so they won't have to stop in the office to get a voting code. Phil thinks we can get a non-profit organization discount on the software next year.

The slideshow was a compilation of photos from all the shows with a senior section at the end.

Venue – will reserve Riverside Banquets again for next year. There was not much feedback on the menu or awards.

Overall, the banquet was simpler than last year and although attendance was reduced, it worked well and made it easier for volunteers to present a nice evening during a very busy time of year. We will continue to budget for the banquet as a nocost event to the organization.

Scholarship – Our first scholarship winner is Emily Brown. We had three very qualified applicants and expect more next year. The scoring system worked well and kept the discussion impartial and fair. Since offering a scholarship was one of the original goals set for our organization, we are proud and excited to see it come to fruition.

New Board -

Darcy reported that Debbie Mickelsen is stepping down as VP/next year's president, and that she is not having much luck getting new people to take on board

positions. Carol Rich and Becky Colbert have volunteered to stay on for another year. Lisa Dinning has agreed to serve as VP. Therefore, the new board for 2015-16 will be:

President – Darcy Carberry VP – Lisa Dinning Treasurer – Rebecca Colbert Secretary – Carol Rich

We did not have quorum to approve the new board, so it was suggested that we send out an email notice to current members and ask for an email vote.

Committee Chairs -

T-shirt Chairs – Kris Nims and Doreen Kubiak Cast/Crew Appreciation – Dawn Clemens Publicity – Bev Nickelson Still open: Front of House, Banquet, Ad sales, Display case

Of the open committees, we are most concerned about ad sales as that funds the printing of the programs. We discussed how to handle ad sales with no chairperson and will divide up the list of potential advertisers and ask everyone to take a couple. There are three volunteers who will help, but do not want to chair. We could ask the VEI teacher if there is a student who might run ad sales as an unpaid internship.

Consider a "food night" fundraiser, such as Chipotle, to make up for potential loss in ad sales due to not having a chairperson.

New Business:

We have a new twitter account "gtboosters". Darcy reported that this summer she would look into GAF grants.

Tentative first meeting for 2015-2016 will be September 10, 2015.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.