



**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Dream Builders Studio/Old Canal Theatre
October 17, 2016.
7:00 p.m.**

Present: Lise Richer, Mike Petrynka, Conrad Gonthier, Andy Davidson, Matt Latimer, Christiane Taylor, Tony Gross, Grant Reso, Alicja Francis, Cathy Durham , Dave Barnes, Marion Barnes, Paul Aubin, Brian McCartney, Lesley Ellam, Rosemary Petrynka .

Absent: Sandra Latreille

1. Call to Order

Lise Richer called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Paul Aubin made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. **Seconded by Rosemary Petrynka. Carried.**

3. Approval of the Minutes

Cathy Durham made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2015 meeting as presented, with the addition of Paul Aubin's name in attendance. **Seconded by Marion Barnes. Carried.**

4. Chairman's Report

Lise Richer's report is attached to the minutes.

In her report she

- thanks the volunteers for countless hours,
- The 5 very successful shows- No Tell Motel, Alice in Wonderland Jr., Into the Woods, Blithe Spirit, Rumors.
- Ticket Wicket, a computer program for selling our tickets on-line, designed by Peter Labelle for SVTC
- No bursaries this year, as no one applied
- SVTC'S two week Summer Theatre Camp run by Michael DeWolfe & Anna Villeneuve held at Dream Builders Studio
- Our current season is under way with *Lend Me a Tenor*, *Shrek the Musical Jr.*, *Joseph and His Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Almost, Maine*, & *Nana's Naughty Knickers*.

5. Treasurer's Report

SVTC has \$49,179.26 in total Liabilities and Equities, Total Income of \$87,312.08, Expenses of \$94,614.39. Overall loss of \$7302.31, due to royalties expenses for the plays in 2017. Discussion from the floor, regarding cost saving. So many of our expenses are fixed, basically the cost of doing business ie: advertising, royalties, rental of warehouse etc. **Matt Latimer made a motion** to approve his report as presented. **Dave Barnes seconded the motion. Carried.**

6. Committee Reports

a.) Facilities – Mike Petrynka/Mike Lalonde

Mike Lalonde's submitted report stated that the warehouse is generally in good shape. He discussed the light bulbs, summer clean-up, purchase of new wooden doors set in wood frames, construction materials are low, no new tool purchase are anticipated, rerouting the lights and table saws solved the problem of breakers being tripped. Mike Petrynka stated that nothing has changed in the past year. Possibly looking at a different type of rental from DBS.

b.) Membership/Communications – Conrad Gonthier

SVTC has a total of 102 members from 2015/16. The breakdown is as follows:

- Adult 25.
- Student 47
- Senior 12
- Family 3
- Show 15

There are 16 Patrons at various levels.

c.) Marketing – Christiane Taylor

Christiane Taylor read her Marketing report, attached to the minutes.

Year Sponsors are

- Winmar Platinum Sponsor
- Serenity Massage and Wellness – Gold Plus
- Cogeco
- Astro Printing

There were 5000 rack distributed, Also mentioned was SVTC media presence, Red Carpet events, Partnership with local papers, Ticket Wicket Sales, participation in We 3 Girls Trunk sale and Pop up Market. Two new members are sitting on the committee, Corey Disotell, and Heather Judd.

d.) Artistic Director – Andy Davidson

SVTC has changed its submission policy to allow a wider time window for future playbills. This way we will have a chance to read the plays ahead of time. The play submissions are due in January. Fourteen packages were sent out in mid September. Drop box will be used to access plays. Anyone interested in submitting contact Andy. Information is also on our website.

7. New Business

a.) Plans for the New Season

SVTC is considering a March Break camp, as well as a summer camp. Discussion over perhaps having a Christmas play, instead of a children's musical. More children can have a theatre experience if SVTC has a children's musical. Also mentioned that Momma Mia might be available in the future with special permission.

b.) Elections

A Lesley Ellam conducted the SVTC elections. Andy Davidson, Cathy Durham, Tony Gross, Mike Petrynka, Grant Reso, Christiane Taylor are up for re-election for a two year term. Nominations were open from the floor, as there are two positions available. There were no nominations. Sandra Latreille is absent, and has not indicated if she wishes to continue to sit on the board. The seven board members were sworn in, as Lesley Ellam read the oath of Office.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. Next meeting will be October/November 2017.