
Friends of Platteville Municipal Auditorium Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Ken Kilian, Celeste Moore, Cheryl Schmieder

Date: 10/5/2016**Time:** 6:30 (Wednesday)**Place:** GAR Room**Last Meeting Date:** 9/7/2016**Next Meeting Date:** 11/2/2016

Approval of Meeting Minutes from August 3, 2016. (No minutes taken on September 7, 2016)

Financial report:

\$170 from Dairy Days photo-shoot.

Clean-up/Painting of ticket booth:

Cheryl Schmieder tidied up the ticket booth so the Tri-State Homeschool Drama Troupe could use it the last week of October and the first week of November.

The most pressing requirement to move forward with this project is an electrician to evaluate what needs to be done with the wiring. Following that step, we want to make any recommended changes, and then patch the walls before painting.

Costume photo shoot - result \$170:

The costume photo shoot was the Saturday after Labor Day (September 10th). It was cooler than normal and very windy. We had a lower turnout than past years and made \$170.

What worked/what didn't work: There are patrons who look forward to the photo-shoot every year. They look for us and plan on taking part. We appreciate their dedication.

A stiff wind caused the most trouble this year. It made hanging a portable green screen difficult. We could use solid green flats, but that would be much more difficult to store and transport to the venue. Mike Schmieder plans to add hooks to the side of the concession stand so wires can be strung along it. This should help installing curtains of all sorts, or signs.

We discussed reducing the number of costumes to cut down on the work for Cheryl Schmieder. She said she was fine as long as she took the week off work to shift items.

Salute to Veterans Concert

The Salute to Veterans concert will be on Sunday November 13th. Admission will be the same as last year - \$10 general and free for vets. We'll provide free popcorn and water. We'll run the same ad format as last year. Ken Kilian already has one contributor.

Mike Meier has side scrims and digital projectors he will rent so we can show photographs of local vets during the concert. Ken has a few pictures and will request more via the newspaper. We have a flag we can use on a backdrop behind the band.

Cheryl Schmieder has a prior commitment and won't be available.

Fall or winter production:

'Steel Magnolias' had auditions recently with good older actresses vying for roles. The trickiest part was finding women for the younger roles. Director Cheryl Schmieder is sure she'll be able to cast it. The first read-through will be the week before Thanksgiving. Rehearsals will start the week after. Performance dates will be the weekend of January 20th-22nd.

Miscellaneous Updates:

Curtain skirt:

The Tri-State Home Schoolers team have taken the curtain skirt down and are fixing it in time for their performances later this month.

Tri-State Home Schoolers donation for lights:

The Tri-State Home Schoolers are donating \$3000 for new railing lights and ceiling lights. This should help in the effort to improve lighting options. This comes in addition to the money they donated toward a following spotlight last year.

Tri-State Home Schoolers replace ripped traveling curtain:

A home-made black velour curtain replaces the torn black canvas traveler that auditorium personnel have been using for decades. It is a significant step up from the shabby traveler.

Window expansion for the Sound/Light Booth:

No change. On hold.

First row of seats in the balcony:

No change. On hold.

Round table:

Nothing at this time.

Adjourn at 6:57