

## **VCCT Board Meeting 10/28/15**

Meeting called to order at Diversified Services at 7:04pm. Members present: Will Mingus, Debby Katzman, Amy Frank, Jeani Camplain, Carrie Johnson, Doug Kroupa, Sally Sawicki, Carol Weidmann, Kimberly Ekes, Dianne Jenner & Ken Manning.

### **Committee Reports**

Treasurer – Jeani

September Deposits \$140.00

September Checks \$0

September Interest \$.39

Add back in Stale dated check #3562 payable to printing etc \$82.50

Ending bank balance, September 2015 is \$5270.56

Certificate #1-\$6355.58

Certificate #2-\$6205.88

Try to use our tax exempt letter when purchasing for the group. We are spending a lot in tax.

Checks *must match a receipt* in order to be reimbursed.

Fall Production Report -Carrie

Escanaba had a skinny weekend, 2 radio interviews and the show itself is going well.

Advertising in the paper is working along with tagging online. We should be on the Chamber page and OCCA.

Check needed for \$50 for rehearsal space (RUMC) and \$50 for Ordinary People rehearsals

Sally

Pete is done with his stage, Sally donated leftovers from the party, and he was thrilled. Pete is willing to share the room for our meetings and storing files.

The director's workshop only had 1 sign-up, so it will be canceled. Perhaps another time with future directors and downsized version.

50/50 Raffle license is \$10 for entire production. We need to apply for it in January. The Legend of Robin Hood...Sort Of will try it out since there's "sellers" during the intermission -and maybe before the show.

Rotary Club show is set. Sally & Doug are doing it and will talk about VCCT.

Feed My Starving Children will be Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>. Meeting at 5pm to gather and eat first. The fundraiser is at 7pm (1015 W. Bethany Rd in Sycamore).

UPDATE: The group met at Sally's for a pork chop dinner from the firehouse supporting CAN before going to Sycamore. The night was a success and very fun.

The Holiday Parade needs elves. Santa will bring the candy.

Both the culminating event and Trick/Treat at the hotel were successful. Little cost and helped with PR.

Ordinary People UPDATE: the total profit was \$192.85. Jim covered the cost of the set, and we are waiting on the \$180 ticket reimburse.

VOTE: VCCT donating \$100 worth of bulbs for The Hub Theater. [passed] [1 no] [1 abstain]

Discussion: Use 'Vince Carney Community Theatre' in all ads and discussions. "VCCT" is not known. Should we change the name? Does anyone know who Vince Carney is and does Community Theater have a bad reputation? We could have a contest to rename. It would be a lot to change the name of a long-standing group. Also, a different name is not going change the minds of people who want to come to a show. Awareness is the issue, not the name.

Diane

The park district (teen town & golf course) have ads running 24/7 for \$0! It can change every 3 months. And needs to be set by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month to start the 1<sup>st</sup> of the next month.

VOTE: 4 ads per year and PR person design and change as needed. [passed and Dianne will be in charge for now.]

Butterbraids sales are down this year. Perhaps selling something else or do Butterbraids every other year. November 9<sup>th</sup> 5pm in the lobby is the pickup/delivery date.

Discussion: The bill was a slap in the face. The room was clean, but Ashley had to get linens at the last minute from the bridal shop.

We should get new linens, black ones, for the future. We will wait until it's known what is happening with the room and the contract in February.

VOTE: Establish a committee to write up new contract by December's meeting. [passed]

Ken, Debby & Carol got together and would like to offer local groups to bring them in for the holidays.

Discussion: Getting table stands for 'season ticket holders'. We can upgrade to a season ticket for \$14 during the 1<sup>st</sup> show only or by a cutoff date. Will is in charge of the season tickets for now.

VOTE: For this show only, patrons may upgrade to a season ticket for \$14 by November 15<sup>th</sup>. [passed]

Letter for Hear Me Now Project (2 microphones and lights) – thank you has been sent.

Printing Etc. = full color is .59/per side (\$1.80/program) (\$25 flat) (no glossy)  
\$354 for Escanba programs – Doug will type a clean receipt for donation.

The wrestling event was canceled.

Newsletter: Get holiday newsletter information to Will by December.

We need more pens (?!), and maybe we can design them a little more fun. (ie. "I stole this pen from..")

Carrie is still cool ordering scripts.

NEXT MEETING: December 9<sup>th</sup> – and holiday party! White Elephant exchange at Sally's.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:09pm