

Minutes AHS  
Drama Boosters  
September 15th, 2020  
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Attendance: Sharon Barnes, Christy Erwin, Lada Onyshkevych, Michelle Wood, Mr. Rosen, Kerry Bloom, Marta Thompson, Kerry, Jennifer Mollinari, Jenny Fu, Karen Bickel. Pam Cohen

Welcome-Boosters President Susan Barnes opened the meeting at 7:30 pm and welcomed everyone.

Introduction: We started out talking about some of the new experiences at the start of the year.

Agenda: Approval of Meeting minutes from August 25th. There was an error in the August minutes. The name Susan should be Sharon. The correction was made and the Minutes were approved.

Mr. Rosen had a meeting with a few dozens kids. They scurried off to start on writing. He wants to see what the children want to say. He feels they need to connect and need to express, and Mr. Rosen needs them to be semi independent. He was originally thinking scenes and now he's thinking scenes and songs and poems. The majority of the kids in the advanced class keep a journal, and several write songs, so he thought we could have original music. If we don't get any writings, he may look at zoom plays, but he's hoping our kids will submit writings.

He'd like to see works in progress as soon as tomorrow. There is a 3:30 meeting tomorrow. They will be meeting weekly. He wants to see what the writers are producing. No date for a performance, Mr. Rosen has been trying to find if he could have access to school systems zoom account and the school system said no. Mr. Rosen has asked for \$1000.00 and he will need a zoom account.

Michelle Wood asked what the account costs. Mr. Rosen is trying to see the different costs option. Basic professional looks around \$150.00. Drama Booster may want to purchase under administrator budget and then Mr. Rosen wouldn't need to lose any of his \$1000.00. Mr. Rosen has had challenges with google meets with losing kids, losing connection. He's worried about a live show. It may be better to do pre taped that can be streamed.

We are hoping to be live in the spring. We can revisit an increase in the budget regardless of tonight. The budget can be amended.

Focus now on absolute needs. We are not locked in, and chairs send in their best guess. We can always change it, as long as we have the money.

Mr. Rosen- If we have a virtual banquet, we will be better with creativity. Mr. Rosen gave one suggestion he has seen has been a gift bag, and each student pulls things out of their bags, and it will feel like we have a shared experience. For example, everyone pulls out their glow stick. - for an example-

Committee Chairs please email Michelle your best guess on what you need for money. Once Michelle hears, she'll send it out to the board first before membership.

Sharon asked Mr. Rosen if he was having a big meeting for the fall production and Mr. Rosen would usually have a cast and a script, but he doesn't have that, so ...the second Tuesday in October 13th, for our next meeting with parents.

Mr. Rosen would like to start the meeting earlier, so it will be 7:00 p.m. Mr. Rosen will take the kids into a break out room, and parents can hold their meeting.

Sharon is willing to pay for things and be reimbursed by Michelle once the budget is approved.

Michelle is still collecting budget needs

Lada- for concessions for the fall play...she had ideas for a restaurant night, or gourmet popcorn deliveries, or a delivery direct, and we would have no upfront costs, it may give a feeling of shared experience and make us some money.

We aren't really trying to make money for the sake of money, so we don't know about spring, but we will go ahead with doing something.

Mr. Rosen said food that doesn't require freezer space may be better. We are change agile!!!

Sharon asked about the "boxes," Spirit Boxes are arranged by the kids themselves for each other.

Let's talk virtual survival kit? Pam still has supplies. Children put these together. Mr. Rosen thinks the ALS kids would be the first back in the building and they would love to do those. The 2 choices is a drive thru, or delivery.

Michelle suggested doing it for our drama [kids.To](#) do it for the whole school would be too many, but use the leftover things and do it for the drama students.

Sharon suggested a virtual box for fall and we will rethink in the spring.

Please send in budget requests to Michelle Wood in the next week that will give her time to tweak.

Mr. Rosen said we can't vote on a budget because there are no members. Sharon will check out the bylaws, but we ( the people at this meeting) can join in the next few days and pay via pay pal and we will have members. We only need 11 people. So, everyone needs to become members in the next couple of days.

Mr. Rosen is our first member.

Lada has updated the website, and Mr. Rosen will update too.

Marta- She brought up doing a palette party virtually. It's more as community building then fund raising.

Marta went over the 2019 -2020 member ship offerings. We had 26 members

This year Marta proposed adding yard signs and raffle tickets. There would still be different membership levels.

Raffle prize ideas..Baltimore Center Stage,Blue Apron Meal service,Red bridge studios, gift card to acting/tech related workshop. - Mr. Rosen suggested Red Branch

We would select one.

Projected Revenue and Costs

Total estimated Members 20

Total Rev Estimated from Membership \$3325

Yard Signs 475

Raffle 300

Total money spend on membership 775

%spent on membership; 23%

People gave input as to where to get the yard signs for cheaper.

Next Steps:

Michelle said, let the person who wins the raffle pick their prize. Mr. Rosen said in the past, we did donations, and didn't pay retail. Sharon said Terry might be willing to make a donation. Mr. Rosen said they get advertising when they are in a raffle, so it will be checked on to see if we can get a donation.

Marta will talk to the businesses and see if she can get a deal.

How do we become members:

go to [atholtdrama.org](http://atholtdrama.org)

hit booster, and become a member, and use pay pal.

( Confusion on membership vs. money vs. supporting the drama dept.)

Michelle explained reworking incentives because people may not want to do memberships if there was no show, but it was just because of the situation with pandemic)

Lada asked if there was anything we could do for the kids since the social has been taken away from them. May be an outside charade party, or outdoor movie, and Jennie shared these games that Josh plays. Virtual on line game night.

Get liaisons back so the kids can decide what they like.

Hi Josh... Josh suggested Jackbox games...he says they are fun, and you can use your phone.

We will get some kids on board to start planning.

Lada suggested a volunteer to help with liaisons. Jen will help and Sharon would be the back up. Josh will be the lead person.

Sharon will Jennie a list of kids and hopefully Jen will only have to nudge them to take over.

Sharon ended with positive encouragements. Don't forget to send numbers to Michelle, and October 13th at 7:00 p.m. is our next meeting.

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