

MEETING of TRUSTEES and COMMITTEE of the OLD WELL THEATRE
MONDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2018 7.30 @ the theatre

Present: Liam O'Neill, Jim McConnell, Martin O'Hare, Ann Falch, Claire Black, Chris Jerrett, Norma Fears, Janette Richardson

1. Apologies None

2. Minutes of Meeting of 9th October 2018

These were unanimously accepted as a true record.

3. Matters arising from the above minutes and not on Agenda

Panto Update – Sandra obtained a really good quote for cost of programme so there is no need to seek advertisers. There has been an offer of help from one of the parents who is a Graphic Designer Angus Leigh has taken photos on two separate occasions.

Town Hall has made a donation of £300 towards the cost of costumes.

We have some non-members taking part in some shows. This needs to be addressed. Jim would like to make an appeal to members at next AGM.

OWT has applied for a grant of £1060 from 'Support for Ambition'.

SSE Grant- Shows for Youngsters

In year 1 3 Shows for young people @£600 and Films for Youngsters 4 @ £175

SSE Grant LED lights have now been purchased and there is @200 left for equipment

Gareth Shiels (from SSE) met with Martin, Jim and Ben to view equipment bought from the grant.

Gareth was very impressed with progress and was delighted that the Technical Course produced two able youngsters

4. Treasurer's Report

- Actual figures for the three months ending 30th October were provided
- We have received notice from PPL/PRS of charges up to 29th September, invoice is awaited
The committee should consider seeking a sponsor for the seating music
- Our new combined licence 'The Music Licence' has been received from PPL/PRS
- I have written to CAF to confirm that they are to reinvest our 12 month fixed term bond
The current one matures at the end of this month.
- I have prepared a breakdown of the costs of royalties, hire of libretti and scores for staging the musicals currently under discussion

5. Coordinators Reports

Artistic

1.COMEDY GENIUS SEASON. We have been invited to take part in this nationwide film festival as Dumfries & Galloway has been successful in obtaining funding via Matt Kitson of Driftwood Cinema. After discussion, we are showing 'Monty Python and the Holy Grail' on Saturday 5th January. The licence will be obtained by Matt using grant funds. We are also going to run a Film Comedy Quiz on an OWT members evening scheduled for Friday January 18th 2019.

We will be supplied with the quiz (D & G funding) The quiz consists of 8 rounds of questions., including a picture round, an audio clips round and an observation round (of comedy clips). We need to supply a question master + technical back up.

2.'This Girl Laughs, This Girl Cries, This Girl Does Nothing' We have applied for Support for Ambition funding from D & G Arts for this children's play aimed at 7-12 yr. olds. This is in addition to the ring fenced funding already in place for children's shows. Stellar Quines/Imaginate have booked the shows for Fri 24th May/Sat 25th May. This is our contribution to D & G Arts Festival 2019. The two shows on Friday are for local schools using 'ring fenced funds' to 'buy' the tickets for the children. Saturday show is for general public and SFA funding will cover any losses we might make.

3. Acoustic Beatles/Acoustic Eagles. We have been approached by two musicians who would like to bring this show to OWT'. Norma asked for feedback and after several people listened to the music it was decided not to go ahead with this

Technical

Nursery group have hired OWT on 9th December to show a film. Nursery group will pay for the licence and OWT will cover other costs.

Howard (Music Society) wants to stage a Musical Performance for young people. This will be mainly piano but other instruments will be welcome.

They will practice on Friday 21st June and performance will be on 23 June (Sunday afternoon). OWT will waive fees.

6. In house play selections

Shows under consideration: 'The Steamie, Gagarin Way, Laramie Project, Odd couple, Play that goes Wrong, Tally's Blood, Elsie & Norm's Macbeth, Dark Rd, Perfect Day and Bold Girls.

Licence fees/costs need to be explored.

Chris is interested in directing 'Dark Road'.

Norma is interested in directing 'Tally's Blood

Play readings/casting possibilities to be organised after Christmas

7. Private Lets

After some problems over programmes for Private Lets and OWT wanting to refuse some shows, Charlie requested more clarity.

It was decided that for a six-month trial period, Norma would liaise between Charlie and the committee.

Liam will reply to Charlie's email

Martin requested that all Trustees/ Committee members read the terms and conditions set out on OWT website.

8. SSE GRANT UPDATE

Job description for YL is ready. Advert to be submitted to D & G Arts, 3rd Sector and Moffat News and possibly newsagents window saying 'Further info from OWT.com. Closing Date 9/12/18.

Interviews will be arranged shortly after that date dependant on number of applications.

9. AOCB

Piano hire needs to be formalised with Martin.

Theatre needs some members to seek PVG for working with adults

Courtney has offered to teach some youngsters spray painting/scenery etc.

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 11th DECEMBER 2018 @ 7.30 at OWT