

MINUTES OF THE PHILIPSTOWN DEPOT THEATRE BOARD
MEETING

January 7, 2023

Present: Steve Ives, Sheila Rauch, Byron Stinson Claudio Marzollo, Chris Nowak Jerry Singer, Caitlin Chadwick, Charlie Dupree, Damian MacDonald, Karen Kapoor, Kathy Plummer, Peter Weed

Not Present: Terry Turner

Also Present: Amy Dul, Executive Director Nancy Swann, Artistic Director

The meeting was called to order in the lobby of the Philipstown Depot Theatre at 9:30 AM on Jan. 7, 2023 by Board President, Steve Ives.

After corrections were made, a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting which was held on December 3, 2022, was made, seconded, and approved by the board.

Claudio Marzollo announced that the five PDT board members who were in line for reconfirmation of new three year terms, were in fact elected by the Philipstown Town Board on Jan. 5, 2023. These persons are Claudio Marzollo, Christopher Nowak, Katharine Plummer, Damian MacDonald, and Karen Kapoor.

Amy Dul presented the status of the Annual Appeal effort. \$87,500 was budgeted and so far we have brought in \$79,535.

No NYSCA grant money has been received this month. Last year the contract was signed in Jan. and the grant money was received in February.

Amy then reported on the following scheduled performances:

Jan 19 at 7PM Brush Strokes, book and lyrics by Jim Semmelman, music by David Shelton

Jan 21 at 7PM Comedian John Fuselgang

Jan 22 at 7 PM Cabaret: Sally Mayes

Jan 27 Depot Docs: All the Beauty and the Bloodshed

Feb 24- Mar 12 Mainstage, in collaboration with Excellent Creature:
God of Carnage, Directed by Isaac Byrne,

Set/light Design: Joshua Rose, Costumes: Kate Andrely,
 Acted
 by Maia Guest, Ray Bokhour, Gregory Porter Miller,
 Christine Bokhour
 March 18 Music: Teddy Thompson
 March 24 Depot Docs
 March 25 Jim Dale
 March 31-Apr 2 Ariane One Act Play Festival
 April 15 Putnam Theater Alliance, "Pay Dirt" Phase Two
 May 5-21 Main Stage: Guys and Dolls, directed by Joe Levy,
 choreographed by
 Christine Bokhour, Music Direction by Nathan Perry
 May 21 Benefit following matinee performance of Guys and Dolls
 June 9 Depot Docs
 June 16-18 Glass Ceiling Breakers
 July 20-23 Youth Players: TBD directed by Percy Parker, Sam Bates
 and Helen Hutchinson
 July 27-30 Teen Players: The Prom, directed by Natalie Arneson.

A gathering of friends from Community Foundation of the Hudson Valley is being organized to help inform people of the significance of the Putnam Theatre Alliance production of Pay Dirt.

Building issues for the theatre include repairs needed for the side door and sand needed for the patio because salt is harmful for the paint and for the concrete. We also need someone to shovel the snow. Karen Kapoor has a recommendation for that.

The board discussed dates and a theme for the spring benefit. The date will be May 21. It will take place at the theater and plaza immediately following the final production of Guys and Dolls which will be a matinee. The ticket price will be \$175 which includes the show and the party. The plaza will be dressed as a casino and cast members will be invited to come in costume. All board members are to help with donating fun prizes for games. Steve Ives, Claudio Marzollo, Sheila Rauch, Kathy Plummer, and Caitlin Chadwick volunteered to work as a benefit committee.

The building lease with the Garrison Landing Association was last signed five years ago. It is time to renew. The new lease could be for ten years with an increase in payment from \$8,000 to \$10,000.

Steve Ives suggested that we form a building committee to address building a structure for building sets, costumes, and light designs on land owned by the town of Philipstown. If we could develop a plan, it may be possible to apply for a grant money from New York State Council on the Arts.

A motion to invite Kate Calligaro of Garrison, NY to join the Philipstown Depot Theatre Board was made, seconded, and unanimously passed by the board.

Claudio Marzollo announced that the Putnam Aging At Home story telling group which will be rehearsing at the Recreation Department, will have a matinee performance at the Theatre in late April.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed by the board. The meeting was adjourned at 10:56 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Plummer, Secretary