MINUTES OF THE PHILIPSTOWN DEPOT BOARD MEETING Saturday May 30, 2020

Virtual Meeting Using Zoom

Present: Steve Ives Kathy Plummer, Sheila Rauch Gerry Singer, Claudio Marzollo, Byron Stinson, Terry Turner Jack Goldstein

Not Present: Chris Nowak

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

The Philipstown Depot Board Meeting was called to order by Steve Ives, President at 9:35 AM on Saturday May 30, 2020. This meeting was held online using Zoom technology.

A motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting was made, seconded and passed.

Steve Ives noted a problem with old or incorrect information regarding the Philipstown Depot Theatre when using Google to search. Amy Dul will ask Ned Rauch to check and correct.

Amy reported on the ongoing programming underway. "Remotely Depot" has published 16 episodes with 4 more ready to launch. All published episodes have received positive remarks from viewers. \$2400 has been donated by 18 viewers using the donate button on the website. Plans are underway to add a thank you to a business with a link to that business with each offering.

Steve Ives and Jack Goldstein noted the strength of Ned Rauch's voice on "Remotely Depot" and praised the staff for implementing this successful program.

Amy reported that arrangements for virtual summer camps are well underway. They will be online with a reduced price and reduced hours and will be the only camps in town. The younger children, grades 4-7, will work on Into the Woods, Jr. with Lisa Sabin directing. There are currently 28 signed up for this. The older kids, grades 8-12, will work on Legally Blonde with Christine Bokhour directing. There are currently 19 signed up for

this. Board members are invited to drop in if they wish by arranging with Karen Kapoor.

Amy reported on plans for the benefit which will be held virtually on Saturday, June 27, at 7:00 PM. using Zoom. The invitations will go out by email. The tickets will be called donations rather than tickets. Brown Paper Tickets will no longer be our reservation system either for the benefit or for future shows. Damien McDonald has suggested a new system which is being tested now. The invitation and the schedule for the evening was discussed at length and a date for a dry run, to be sure that all is smooth, will be arranged.

Jack Goldstein reported on his work on a plan for a live outdoor performance when we are able to gather this way. Chris Nowak has designed a seating plan for the audience as well as a safe distancing plan for performers. Phil Bond has agreed to direct.

With the benefit date on June 27, we will not meet as a board on that day. Steve will email July dates for our next meeting.

Amy asked for permission to continue with the auditing process and It was agreed that we should proceed.

Amy asked for advice on whether to proceed with the check up and cleaning of the theater air conditioning equipment. Terry Turner spoke of the prudence of always maintaining equipment and the board agreed with that wisdom.

Steve thanked Amy and the staff for keeping the Depot lively in this strange and difficult time.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Plummer, Secretary