

Kingsley Players' Meeting - Tuesday 12th January 2016

at the Red Bull, Kingsley

MINUTES

Attending Lynn Pegler (Chair), Mary Lightfoot, Sandra Capper, Jo Jo Gleave, Sue Elliott, Malcolm Barker (who took minutes), Audrey Boyle, Marion Crossley, Vony Gwillam, Arnold Ashbrook, Marian Crossley, Colin Smith.

Apologies Fran Hamer (secretary), Vony Gwillam,

Minutes of last meeting: approved

Matters arising Malcolm advised the carpet used for 'Shakespeare' was too big for storage in the scenery store and too big and heavy to store in the loft. There were suggestions about cutting it and Arnold suggested it might fold for easier storage. Lynn confirmed it would be used on the Oliver stage and storage would have to be sorted for when the stage was struck.

Treasurer's Report -

Current Account - £3478.93

Bonus Account - £12305.07

Premium Bond - £1000.00

Current Production

Oliver director Lynn Pegler

Lynn reported all on track. Some parents had complained their children were excluded from the final walk down for all performances except the last one. The committee agreed this rule was supported in principal for the younger children as it was felt an early night on school nights was to their benefit but agreed to compromise with the younger chorus members being allowed to stay to the end on Friday and both Saturday performances. Arnold said music was going well and one or two issues would soon be sorted. Arnold also reported a problem with an audio lead and he was referred direct to Lol Lynch. Jo Jo offered propos and was referred to Lesley . Colin reminded the director that he thought more black material would be required for the proscenium arch. Lesley advised more front of house help needed. No response from KU17.

Future Productions 2016

May director Chris Mapp

Lynn reported Chris had been invited to the meeting to discuss his proposals for May, talking Heads by Alan Bennett, but was unable to attend the meeting following an accident. The committee agreed to his proposal for the may slot. A producer is needed.

October Some of My Best friends are Women Director Colin Smith

Colin confirmed he has prepared a scheduled and proposes an early casting so that the cast can go away and learn their lines to reduce the rehearsal period.

2017

January The Mouse's tale

Selected - a new pantomime for us by Arnold with a cast of 33.

May 2017 to be chosen

October 2017 to be chosen

December 2017 Cinderella director Colin Smith

A new pantomime written by Colin with music by Arnold.

2018

January Good Old Days - director Jo Jo Gleave

As the director of the pantomime requested that the date be brought forward to December, this left an opportunity to stage the Good Old Days old time music hall in January before the preparations are in hand for the May play.

Allo Allo Producer Malcolm Barker

A thank you letter had been received from KCA for the funds raised for them last years through these tours. The next tour is on track with venues at Beechwood Community Centre, The Studio, Widnes, Bromborough Golf Club and Eaton village hall. Booking have also been taken for November and February 2017

NODA/CTG

Both are attending Oliver for the Friday performance of Oliver. Colin said subscriptions due and Lesley to pay. Lesley said CTG still not cashed the last cheque and she would chase up Gordon Hamlin. Colin advised about long service medals available from NODA that might be considered for our founder members and perhaps others with long service but these did not seem attractive to the committee in general and the long service members in particular.

Workshops

None planned

Play Readings and Selections. No action at the present

Play Reading group Sandra confirmed she was leaving this until after Oliver and thought we might start with another in March, the suggested title was 'Nightmare'.

Players' Social Matters none proposed

Any Other Business

Loft - Lesley reported upon plans to sort the content of the loft and extend the flooring. Ideally it would need several days hire, suggested over the Easter Holidays, where all of the loft contents could be brought down into the hall. Idea supported by the committee. She is to speak to Mike Butler about availability.

Youth Group – Brought up at the last meeting and since Malcolm had the opportunity to invite Jake Powell to take over the running of this group, which he accepted. with Ellie Hamer and Tom Hayes. Arnold volunteered to help where needed with music. Lynn to ask them to come up with a plan of action.

Date / place next meeting - Tuesday 9th February 2017 Red Bull, Kingsley

Chairman is away so Lesley Silcock appointed to Chair the meeting.