

**Quail Creek Performing Arts Guild
General Member Meeting
September 26, 2023**

Members in attendance (25): Nancy Jacobs, Tillie Hopko, Ray Hebert, Michael Cory, Jeff McCune, Myra McCune, Mary Campbell-Jones, Gary LaBarre, Gay Smith Hinshaw, Karen Lubinski, Diana Paul, Sandi Hrovatin, Dodie Prescott, Hollie Crombie, Debi Gutknecht, Davey Jones, Cyndy Gierada, Debi Nelson, Michele Donatich, Leslie Fellner, John Martin, Perri Jones, Betty Rongner, Bob Rongner.

- I. Meeting called to order at 3:05 by President, Davey Jones.
- II. Approval of Minutes (Debi Gutknecht)
 - Minutes of the May and June meetings have been approved and posted on the Website.
 - Minutes can be found on the PAG website at www.quailcreekpag.com under the 'about' tab.
- III. Treasurer's Report (Sandi Hrovatin)
 - As of 9/24/2023, there is \$13, 693.83 in the account.
 - Talent Show proceeds: \$2180.00 to the Sahuarita Food Bank and \$1917.00 to PAG.
 - A letter of appreciation has been received from Sahuarita Food Bank.
- IV. Membership (Debi Nelson)
 - Debi Nelson reported that there are now 62 paid members as seven members paid their dues at the start of the meeting.
 - New members were welcomed and asked to introduce themselves.
 - Reminder that dues must be paid by the end of October for existing members. New members are accepted anytime throughout the year.
- V. Publicity (Dodie Prescott)
 - Dodie Prescott reported that auditions for the Christmas show will be held on October 8. Please call Cyndy Gierada for an audition time.
 - The Crossing newspaper and What's Happening electronic newsletter will advertise ticket sales for the show.
- VI. VP Comedy/Drama (Maggie Brown)
 - Maggie Brown's written report to the Board was read: The Committee will be meeting towards the end of October. Until then, we are compiling the plays/radio shows that we think might work. At the meeting, we will discuss and decide what the next step will be.
- VII. VP Music/Variety (Cyndy Gierada)
 - Christmas Show
 - A tentative budget was approved by the Board.
 - There will be a Matinee on November 30 at 4:00 – ticket cost \$25.00
 - Dinner shows will take place on Friday and Saturday, December 1 and 2 at 6:00 with a ticket cost of \$45.00
 - There will be 27 tables with each table seating 10 individuals.

- Ticket sales will take place the first three Mondays in November. We are still waiting for final approval to sell those tickets in the Madera Clubhouse entrance.
- There will be 3 acts in the performance
 - Act I: Holiday traditions
 - Act II: Holiday memories
 - Act III: Chorus
- Audition will take place on October 8 beginning at 3:00. Call Cyndy Gierada for an appointment. The audition committee will make final decisions on October 11.
- Ray Hebert will head the set construction.
- Perri Jones mentioned that she needs assistance in selling tickets. There must be 3 PAG members present to sell tickets on each date. A ticket sales sign-up sheet was passed around to the membership and given to Perri.
- Talent Show update
 - The Board discuss possible suggestions for the 2024 Talent show
 - 2 performances: 1 matinee and 1 evening show
 - Use cabaret (tables with 10 chairs per table) rather than theater style seating
 - 5 minutes time limit for each performer.
 - Performers must use the PAG sound system
 - Judges will not be performers in the show
 - The importance of starting on time.
 - If the members have additional suggestions, please send them to Cyndy at cyndy@sunsationalcruises.com

VIII. Members At-Large (Holly Crombie and Todd Combs)

- A written documentation of final food expenses and menus will be completed with Epi Torres, Director of Banquets, Activities and Events for Quail Creek.
- The cast party menu will be explored soon.

IX. New Business

- Please come to the October PAG meeting. We will be discussing a minor change in PAG By-laws.
- We need three PAG members who do not serve on the Board to Audit the Treasurer's books.
 - Gay Hinshaw, Leslie Fellner and Bob Rongner volunteered.
 - Sandi Hrovatin will set up a meeting to complete the audit.
- Sound and Lighting System
 - Big thanks to Karen Lubinski who managed the lighting system for the Talent Show.
 - On October 13 at 4:30, there is a possibility that any member who has an interest in learning the sound/lighting system may come to the theater for initial instruction of set up and operations. As this must yet be approved by Epi, please watch for a notice from Dodie Prescott.
 - In the past, PAG paid between \$4,000.00 and \$4,200.00 to an outside company to do the sound/lighting. PAG now has the sound equipment to do this

ourselves. With Davey Jones' and Bill Foraker's assistance, we will be able to save that expense and provide sound/lighting expertise through PAG members.

- The new sound system will be tested on Thursday, September 28 during Chorus rehearsal.
- Mary Campbell-Jones is our new historian. She has put together a book of photos taken during the Talent Show.

X. Meeting adjourned at 3:54