

THE COLONIAL PLAYERS, INC
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, March 27, 2012

MEETING MINUTES

Attending:

The following board members were present: Terry Averill (President), Tom Stuckey (Vice-President), Herb Elkin (Treasurer), Kaelynn Miller (Secretary), Carol Youmans (Artistic Director), Marguerite Jahns (Human Resources Director), Beverly van Joolen (Marketing Director), Beth Terranova (Production Director), Wes Bedsworth (Operations Director). 46 additional members were present.

- 1) **The Tuesday, March 27, 2012 meeting of the Colonial Players Board was called to order by Terry Averill at 7:45pm.**
- 2) **A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda of the March 27, 2012, as amended. The motion carried unanimously.**
- 3) **A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2011 General Membership Meeting, as amended. The motion carried unanimously.**
- 4) Officers' & Directors' Reports – Board Directors and Officers presented written reports, included in the membership packet for the evening. If you could not make the meeting and would like a copy of the membership packet for review, please send an email to secretary@thecolonialplayers.org.
 - a) President –
 - i) Terry presented his written report.
 - ii) Dianne Hood will be the CP representative attending the AACT conference in NYC this summer. She will be presenting on the conference at the Fall meeting. Dianne will accept the Robert E. Gard Superior Volunteer Award being presented to Dick Whaley, on Dick's behalf.
 - b) Vice-President –
 - i) Tom presented his written report.
 - ii) Please let Tom know if there are any names missing from the Memorial Plaque in the lobby. We will be planning a ceremony for those we add to the plaque.
 - c) Treasurer –
 - i) Herb presented his written report.

- d) Artistic Director –
 - i) Carol presented her written report.
 - ii) If you would still like to direct a One-Act, please let Carol know ASAP.
 - iii) Also let Carol know if you have any comments or ideas on the 7-show season evaluation.
 - iv) Join us for a Pub Reading at Harry Browne's! Ron Giddings is coordinating the first reading on May 6, 2012, 7pm – come on out for a night of drinks and fun!
 - v) We did receive the rights to *A Christmas Carol* and that will be presented this December.
 - e) Education –
 - i) Fred was not available to present a report.
 - f) Human Resources –
 - i) Marguerite presented her written report.
 - ii) Mark your calendars for the Season Celebration – Saturday, August 18, 2012!
 - g) Marketing –
 - i) Beverly presented her written report.
 - ii) Look for a partner program with some local restaurants and bed and breakfasts! Coming soon!
 - h) Operations –
 - i) Wes presented his written report.
 - i) Production –
 - i) Beth presented her written report.
 - ii) Beth would like to express more thanks to Heather Quinn for helping with the job of Production Director when no one else could.
- 5) New Business
- a) Elections
 - i) A motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the resumes. A motion was made and seconded to have the candidates introduce themselves.
 - ii) Congratulations to the new (or returning) board members:
 - (1) President – Terry Averill
 - (2) Human Resources Director – Shirley Panek
 - (3) Operations Director – Wes Bedsworth
 - (4) Production Director – Beth Terranova
 - iii) The new Board Members will take over their positions in June.
 - b) Scholarship Presentation
 - i) The Annual Scholarship was presented to Jeffrey Walter. Congratulations to Jeff! We're so proud of you!
 - c) Bylaw Changes
 - i) Proposed bylaw change to IV.B.4
 - (1) As reads:

4. A newsletter mailed to all members within the time limits specified in Sec. B-1 and B-2 will be considered sufficient notification of meetings, and of matters to be discussed and voted on at meetings, provided information is properly stated as required by these Bylaws.

(2) Proposed Change:

4. A newsletter sent to all members via postal mail and/or e-mail within the time limits specified in Sec. B-1 and B-2 will be considered sufficient notification of meetings, and of matters to be discussed and voted on at meetings, provided information is properly stated as required by these Bylaws.

(3) **A motion was made and seconded to accept the change as written.**

(a) **The motion carried unanimously.**

ii) Proposed bylaw change to VI.A.2

(1) As reads:

2. The Nominations Committee shall be directed by the Board to present two qualified candidates for each office to be filled and further be directed to report to the Board all instances when this cannot be done. Said list of nominations shall be presented to the membership no later than the 31st day of January in each year.

(2) Proposed Change:

2. The Nominations Committee shall be directed by the Board to present one or more eligible candidates for each office to be filled and further be directed to report to the Board all instances when this cannot be done. Candidates for Board positions must have been members in good standing of the Corporation by January 1st of the election year.

a. A member is considered to be in good standing if s/he has paid the annual membership dues, is not under charges/investigation (per Resolution H.3.a.2.) and is not otherwise being considered for denial or revocation of membership (per Bylaw Article III.D.).

b. The requirement for a candidate's membership to be established by January 1st of the election year can be waived by a majority vote of the Board after due consideration of the candidate's qualifications.

3. Said list of nominations shall be presented to the membership no later than the 31st day of January in each year. Each candidate will submit a statement of qualifications and intentions to the Nominations committee no later than the 15th day of February of the election year.

(3) A discussion on 2b occurred.

(4) **A motion was made and seconded to accept changes to VI.A.2. with the exception of 2b.**

(a) **The motion carried.**

(5) The Bylaws committee will rewrite the amendment if needed to help satisfy member concerns.

6) **A motion to adjourn was passed unanimously at 8:56pm.**