

**Patrons of the Parkway Players Booster Club
General Board Meeting – July 27th, 2020
Minutes**

1. Roll Call

Wanda call the meeting at 6.01pm

Attendance: Dee Defoe, Lauren Erving, Tatiana Escobar, Lawanda (Wanda) Fraser, Toby Srebnik, Michelle Terl (Mrs. Terl - Faculty), Jacklyn Tolentino, Staci Town.

2. Minutes of the preceding meeting - read and approve

Motion to approve minutes from the June 22nd and June 30th meeting minutes - 1st Wanda Fraser; 2nd Toby Srebnik. – No Objections – Approved.

3. Theater Director's Update

Mrs. Terl notified the Board that we are starting virtual education in the fall. All Thespian festivals will be online. We are not having district competitions, instead we are going to have two regional competitions, one for the north and one for the south. The result of these two festivals will determine who will go to states. The submittal rules are pending so we know what is allowed in the recordings. October 26th is the deadline to submit recordings for a festival on November 7 and 8. Kids registered to participate in the festivals will be able to watch the performances and attend workshops. Mrs. Terl stated that the categories have been increased to allow eight in each category. That's a change from the previous year.

We still have lots of questions, hopefully we will have some answers after August 8th. The Florida Thespian Competition (FTC) is the regular 7th grade trip to Gainesville to present a one-act competition. However, this year it is almost at the same time as Districts. Kids can probably do both festivals at the same time. However, we don't know the costs of each of these festivals yet. Maybe it is better to wait until next year for the FTC and allow the trip to be for 7th and 8th graders so the kids can benefit from the experience in-person. However, if the 8th graders wait until next year, they will not be able to prepare a main stage presentation. We will wait until we know the costs to decide.

State competition probably will be in the spring, maybe in early February. Everything is going to be virtual.

Live shows may be an option for spring. Unless, we go back before the end of the year, and then we can prepare the Holiday show. Another option is to do a community building activity with Burger 21 - take out – Karaoke night. Where kids and parents take out from Burger-21 and do the Karaoke portion on Zoom.

Mrs. Terl reminded us of another fundraiser idea proposed by Jackie last year: the letterman jackets. However, she stated that unless the kids attend in person to make an statement, we don't know how good of a fundraiser it could be since they won't be together to do it.

Mrs. Terl asked about the status of the SunBiz transfer. Dee stated that she will provide an update when she presents her report.

Mrs. Terl moved on to Ron classes, stating that normally POPP contributes \$2,000 to pay for the Master Class. However, this year we would like to use his services to prepare competition pieces first. Mrs. Terl also stated that Darius and Nahomi are paid from some Master Class money and a consultant agreement through the PA department; and Thespians pays for the end of the year show.

Tatiana asked if Ron was only going to prepare only competition pieces, then we could run into issues with only benefitting some of the students participating in the competitions. Mrs. Terl stated that all the shows need to be ready to be uploaded by October 26th. However, Mrs. Terl proposed to modify the schedule to provide general training using the virtual platform after October 26th so all students can benefit from his expertise. Maybe the kids that do not participate in festivals have a potpourri so that they have a separate presentation.

The amount of shows that Mrs. Terl can prepare is limited by the rights that can be presented virtually. Puffs for instance didn't grant the authorization to do it virtually.

Jackie asked how the auditions were going to be this year. Mrs. Teal stated that auditions have normally be held on the second Friday after school starts. This year will probably be the same but virtually. Some things are going to be done during school time and others will be after school.

Finally, Mrs. Terl discussed the option of purchasing the Online Broward Master Class theories. This program covers six one-hour sessions, 45 minutes each of master class and 50 minutes of questions and answers. Mrs. Terl was thinking that 3 of the classes will be provided one per class grade and the other classes would be presented later in the afternoon so more kids can participate. The cost for the package is \$2,500. Tatiana stated that maybe we could wait until we gather more information before making a decision. Mrs. Terl agreed that since our fundraising efforts will be reduced this year as we won't have shows, therefore no concessions, or school classes, therefore, no after-school sales is better to determine what is actually needed and cover those first. Staci stated that it is a cool idea and Dee agreed. However, we don't know how engaging this is going to be for the kids or how useful is it going to be. We will wait to see how the school year goes on,

4. Unfinished business

None

5. Treasurer's Report

Dee presented the bridge budget. Kathy was assisting her to put everything together. It used the 2019-2020 budget and the Drama Teacher Academy membership was not included.

Motion to approve the expense to cover the yearly subscription of the Drama Teacher Academy paid on a monthly basis. 1st Tatiana Escobar; 2nd Stacy Town. – No Objections – Approved.

Mrs. Terl had some expenses during the summer approximately \$40 for reimbursements and mailing. Dee asked Mrs. Terl for the form to submit the expenses. Dee is going to review with Kathy and confirm via Whatsapp.

6. New Business

a) Calendar

TBA

b) Meetings

- i. August – Monday August 10th – 5:30PM
- ii. September - General Meeting - TBD
- iii. October – Gainesville – Florida Thespian Competition - TBD
- iv. November – Possible District Competition – TBD

c) Proposed Events

- v. TBD Pending further instructions from the School Board

d) General Fundraising Activities

- i. School Shirt - EDCO
 - o Minimum Order \$
 - o Delivery time
 - o Shipping and Handling
- ii. Mask with 88050 LOGO
 - o Additional cost for personalization

Staci stated that we might as well have a good fundraising since everybody is required to wear masks now and at least the kids will be wearing something they can relate to. Dee asked to check the shipping costs so we don't have to absorb the costs and Tatiana asked for three quotes for the t-shirts and the masks so we can do cover the procurement requirements. Jackie is going to contact Liz and ask for contact information for EDCO and contact others as well.

- iii. Additional activities TBD pending further instructions from the School Board

e) Various Committee Chairs

iv. Fundraising

Chair: Jackie Tolentino - 2nd VP - Fundraising

Committee Members:

- Alysha
- Wanda

v. Photos/slides/video Committee

Chair: Staci Brown - Historian

Committee Members:

- Roby
- Jackie

vi. Communications

Chair: Toby Srebnik – Corresponding Secretary

Committee Members:

- Wanda
- Tatiana
- Staci

vii. Nominating

TBA

f) Finances

i. Change of 501©(3) on July 1st

Dee stated that the request for change was done in early July. However, the state is still processing the amendments for July.

ii. Bank Account Transfer

Can't be done until SunBiz is approved.

iii. Paypal

Cash App and PayPal have been settled for members to pay.

Mrs. Terl will let us know when the Open House is going to take place so we can present POPP.

iv. Finance Committee

Chair: Dee

Committee Members:

- Kathy
- Tatiana
- Staci

v. Proposed Budget

Including: Bridge Budget - \$2,495 & Signature Grant - \$1,000

7. Questions & Comments

Staci stated how is she be a historian in this COVID-19 era. Can she take pictures of the Zoom meetings?. Mrs. Terl doesn't know the answer?. Mrs. Terl proposed that she asks parents to send pictures of the kids rehearsing at home and maybe Staci can put them together. Mrs. Terl will grant posting privileges to Staci and Toby so they can post on the Thespian Facebook page. Staci will contact Catrina to ask for access to the Troupe 88050 Facebook page.

Motion to adjourn the meeting. 1st Wanda Fraser; 2nd Tatiana Escobar. – No Objections – Approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:12PM