

PACIFIC OKINAWA PLAYERS
General Membership Meeting
Nov. 9, 2009

Meeting called to order @ 6:05 PM by POPS President, Jamey Pellegrini.

Officer's Reports

Treasurer: The POPS treasurer has been gone on emergency leave for the month. The amount remains the same from last month. It will change as no money has been deposited or receipts paid for Urinetown.

Membership: POPS is gaining new members with every show. Several suggestions were made regarding membership including 1) having a table at each show so people can sign up (table can be set up during intermission), 2) having a banner made so people are aware of the opportunity to join, 3) having forms available at the box office to sign up.

Vice-President: Melanie Bales has certificates ready for people who requested them to document their volunteer hours. Please see her.

Old Business

Rocky Horror Picture Show: Kudos to Jamey Pellegrini for getting this project off the ground. There was publicity on the radio and by word of mouth.

Approximately 80 people showed up and money was raised through raffles and concessions. It was suggested that next year, the show could be done the weekend before Halloween and that prop packs could be purchased for use by participants.

Urinetown: Todd Hyson, producer, reported that the show was seen by over 180 people on Friday and Saturday. The show will run for two more weekends.

Cage Cleanout: This has and will continue to be an on-going project. Jamey Pellegrini requested assistance on Sunday from Urinetown cast and crew to prepare the cage for strike on the following Saturday.

Night of one Acts: Danielle and Tony Bird will direct the third one-act. It is a pirate-themed piece with parts for 2 people.

TV Spot: If you have any ideas, please see Chrissy Miller.

Publicist: Chrissy Miller will be leaving in January. If you are interested in the position please let Jamey Pellegrini know. Ideally, we should have elections in December.

Christmas Caroling: POPS will be caroling at the Courtney Christmas Fest on Dec. 12 & 13 from 1:00 to 1:30. In addition, POPS would like to market the

caroling to other groups or units. It would be a chamber style ensemble of 8 -16 people and the music will consist of traditional and contemporary carols mostly done in 4 part harmony. Amanda Eddy and Leah Harrell are in charge. The carolers will meet on Monday evenings for the next several weeks.

Readers Theater: If you are interested in doing "The Christmas Carol" as a reader's theater, please see Jamey Pellegrini.

New Business

Disney's Cinderella Kids: Registration will be on Dec. 12 from 9:00 to 12:00 at Kadena Elementary School (KES) cafeteria. Please bring an audition form (available on website) and a recent photo of your child. Audition times will be assigned. Auditions will be Monday, Dec. 14 and Tuesday, Dec. 15 at KES gym. The production dates are tentatively scheduled for Feb. 19, 20, 21, 26, 27 & 28.

Scholarships: Jamey Pellegrini would like to see more consideration given to students who have helped and volunteered with POPS shows. It was suggested that a minimum of 5 hours be considered adequate volunteer time.

Treasurer absence: Vice-President Melanie Bales would like to see contingency plans made in the event the Treasurer is gone. At present 2 signatures are required for large amounts. If more people could be signatories, then checks could be written if the treasurer is gone. One obstacle is that all signatories need to be present at the bank to sign. Since this transition occurred over the summer period, many POPS officers (board members) were on leave and not available.

POPS Season: Jamey Pellegrini would like to explore the possibility of changing the POPS season. Since the theater is often not available during the period from Thanksgiving to January, this time could be our down time and the POPS season could continue well into June. No motion or ruling made at this time.

Popcorn machine: A suggestion was made that POPS look into buying a popcorn machine. Chrissy Miller will look into the price for one.

Purchase of water & ice: The house manager may purchase water and ice as needed for the current productions. Just note how much was spent on items.

Next meeting: Dec. 7, 2009 at 6:00 PM at Ocean Breeze club.
Meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Smith
POPS Recording Secretary