

## **Pacific Okinawa Players**

General Membership Meeting

May 11, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by President Jamey Pellegrini.  
Minutes from last meeting were approved.

Kendra Andrews (Kubasaki High School) was presented with her POPS Scholarship at this meeting as she would be leaving before our next meeting.

### **Officer's Reports:**

**Treasurer:** Treasury reports are not reported on line.

**Membership:** Please see Lee Romero if interested in joining or renewing your membership.

### **Old Business**

**Private Org. Status** - Still in pursuit.

**POPS Follies:** Melanie Bales reported that the show was a lot of fun (despite some sound issues.) If the Follies is presented next year, we hope to do it in a different venue. POPS earned \$800 from Army MWR for the show. Thanks to all who participated.

**Night of One Acts:** The rehearsals are going well, especially now that the rehearsals are back in the theater. Dates of the show are May 22, 23, 29 and 30. Please Jamey Pellegrini (house manager) if interested in helping run box office, usher or bring things for the concession.

**Scholarships:** The scholarship auditions were held on Saturday, May 2 at Kadena High School Auditorium. There were 7 outstanding students who each performed well and were awarded scholarships: Takiah Coleman, Kendra Andrews, Audry Padgett, Rebakah Bradley, Cassidy DeVries, Jacob Miller & Justin Fernandez. The students will be recognized at their respective senior awards ceremonies (Jamey Pellegrini will go to Kadena, Melanie Bales will represent us at Kubasaki.). They will receive their checks at the next POPS meeting.

**New Board Position:** Gary Hughes was voted in as POPS Technical Director.

**Membership Dinner:** The dinner went well with a turn out of 45 people. It will hopefully remain a tradition along with the Family Beach Bash in September.

**Summer Night Movies:** Movies have been ordered. The event will be publicized soon. There is hope of tying in something "theatrical" with it (i.e. live "skit" from movie, improve games). If you have any ideas or are interested in helping please see Rachel Ferguson.

**Newsletter:** The newsletter will still come out on Friday before the meeting and the reminder on Monday of the meeting.

### **New Business**

**Proposals:** Two shows were proposed:

**Urinetown:** Director: Malia Jakus Musical Director: Melanie Bales Asst. Director: Naomi Bowlin Choreographer: Anda Slater Stage Manager: Gary Hughes Set Design: Gary Hughes Lighting: Scott McGlynn Costumes: Bernice Whitter Cast: 20-25 (ages 16 and up) Proposed audition & performance dates: mid September & mid November

**Total Budget: \$3,000**

(For complete information, please see POPS website.)

**Disney's Cinderella Kids:** Director: Christine Smith Asst. Dir: Terry Sobey  
Musical Dir: Leah Harrell Choreographer: Stephanie Clapper Set Design: Gary  
Hughes

Cast: 20-25 children (ages 8-16) Proposed audition & performance dates: mid  
December & mid February

**Total Budget: \$3,100**

(For complete information, please see POPS website.)

If anyone is interested in proposing, please plan on bringing a proposal to the next meeting. Some ideas are Follies – coordinate acts and rehearsals, One acts – get together with a few other directors to do a short (20 minute) act. Both are good ideas to try your hand at directing.

**Mic Clips:** Gary Hughes has researched the price. Mic clips are \$25 for 5 and a new mic would cost \$140.

**Adult classes:** It was suggested that POPS have adult classes in different aspects of theater (i.e. makeup, lighting, sound, costume, set design/building). If you are willing to teach a class, let Jamey Pellegrini know. Classes could be done on a Saturday or after a POPS meeting.

**Publicity:** POPS needs to generate more publicity and get more exposure. One option that is being looked at is doing a monthly radio spot on AFN. It was also suggested that we run announcements in Japan Update or OkinawanYardsales.com.

**Sgt At Arms:** With Gary taking the new position of Technical Director, the position was open. Cory Slater was nominated and voted into office.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted:  
Christine Smith  
POPS Recording Secretary