

**Vagabond Players
General Meeting
November 22 2022**

Meeting: Called to order at 7PM

Executive and position:

Warren Johnson - President
Ray Boulay - Vice President/Production Manager
Deb Tom – Treasurer
Bev Pride – Secretary
George Edwards – Director/Front House Manager
Craig Premack – Director/Tech Manager
Ted Draybk – Director/Production Manager
Denise Brookson – Director/Props Coordinator
Al Zylstra – Director/Residence Stage Manager
Val Lawlor - past president

Present:

Regrets: Al, Bev

Recorded by: Denise Brookson

Members Present: 17

Reading/Approval of Minutes:

Motion to waive reading and approval of the October 24 General Meeting Minutes by Deb

Seconded by Walter

Carried: yes

1. **President's Report** – Warren met with the City of New Westminster on behalf of Vagabond Players to discuss new lease agreement.
It's of note that Massey Theatre signed a 25 yr lease
2. **Boxoffice manager** - Tickets are selling well, volunteers needed to staff box office.
Credit card swiper to come
Rumors scripts coming; tickets on sale soon.
3. **Treasurer's Report** – Bank Balance: \$206, 217.33
Insurance purchased, Liquor licence will be obtained.
4. **Correspondence:** from inquiries@vagabondplayers.ca
No correspondence in mailbox
Telephone inquiries: All general inquiries are called back
requesting tickets are picked up by Box Office

Correspondence:

Email to Valerie from Scott Swan from PechaKucha inquiring about possible dates in February for another event. Proposed dates would clash with Rumors, so we've replied asking if other dates, preferably just after Rumors strike, would work. Waiting to hear and will forward to Board if other dates work for them. Hopefully another date is possible as it's good exposure for Vags.

New Business:**APPLAUSE! and Ovation! Awards Jury**

Scott Swan is also with APPLAUSE! and the Ovation! Awards Jury and he wants to know if we want our next show Confessions of a Grocery Clerk to be juried by them. It would require 1 or 2 comps per jury member (8 of them) and to know if any date restrictions. Decision to proceed with this - 2 comps/member and no date restrictions

ACTION: Val will contact them advising reservation process

5. Production Reports:**-Co-Pro Report – Confessions of a Grocery Clerk -Craig**

Tech – Rental mics will be coming.

Peter Trozduk came in and fixed the sound system front speaker. Craig will inquiry how much he charges to audit system. Craig will report back.

Action: Will get a quote to optimize sound system

Motion made to replace front speakers – Deb

Seconded – Val

Carried

-Rumors – Craig producer

Auditions next week.

Rehearsals will start beginning of January 2023

6. Front of House report – George.

Good turn out of volunteers for the first show. List is filling up for Confessions show.

7. Tech report – Craig

Sound system see above

8. Publicity – Bev

Press releases created and sent for Langley/Advance Times and New West Record, Burnaby Now, featuring actors in Confessions from those areas. I signed up with ShineBright, free City of NewWest website featuring all of the December events in NW.

I upgraded the New West events listings for \$139 to *Evnt* which increases the listing to 23 sites, adds the listing to the featured status.

Instagram and FB public page are updated with the cast bios and pictures.

The program is being created and once again will be using the QR code method.

9. Old Business:

- A.** July project – Introduction to Indigenous Storytelling with S^yowah. Based on the 4 quadrants of the medicine wheel – each week will be an exploration of the mind, emotions, physical and spiritual. Bev continues to work on the details of the program with S^yowah. Program is a potential project scheduled for the month of July and will include 10 participants (18yrs+). Run 4 weeks; 2 nights a week with a presentation by participants on Tuesday night of week 5.

Warren reported the City of New Westminster administrator was impressed with this collaboration.

Ray presented the value of this project to the theatre.

Education fund may be available for funding project.

Action: Val will look into the fund.

10. NEW Business:

New sign at the top of the entrance;

Warren suggested a change to simple Vagabond Players and vagabondplayers.ca Signage.

The windowed displays outside will be available for posters of the next show

All in favor.

Next Executive Meeting Dec 12, 2022

Next General Meeting: Jan 16, 2023

Motion to adjourn Walter

Seconded Ray

Carried

Time: 7:49