

Wisconsin Association of Community Theatre Annual Membership Meeting Minutes February 26, 2006 – Beaver Dam, Wisconsin

President Bob Kafka called the meeting to order at 9:12 am.

I. Introduction

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the February 27, 2005 membership meeting were presented.

Motion – To approve the minutes of the February 27, 2005 membership meeting.
(*Frank Peot/Dick Jellings – Passed*)

III. State of the Organization

Our new website is www.wactweb.org

WACT will be sponsoring 'Arts Day 2006 in Madison' with a small donation and Frank Peot will represent the group for the event.

We have started giving a trophy to AACTFest winners when the traveling trophy is returned.

Frank Peot has been appointed as the AACT Representative to the International Theatre Organization

The next WACT newsletter will be in March, 2006, we would like any ideas or articles you may have.

IV. Financial Report

The revised FY05 Year End Budget vs. Actual report was presented and discussed.

Motion – To approve the FY05 Financial Report.
(*Frank Peot/Mark Holten – Passed*)

V. Membership Report

The report was distributed and discussed. Membership has increased over the last few years.

VI. AACT Items of Interest

Wisconsin has the second highest AACT membership in all of Region III.

AACT now only requires that the Board of individual groups participating in AACTFest sign a warranty stating that all rights have been obtained for the piece that they are presenting. WACT and Region III, however have decided to continue to require proof of rights to avoid potential liabilities.

There will also be one additional entrant to the national AACTFest next year. This will probably not affect Wisconsin

Charlotte, NC will be hosting the 2007 national festival. The theatre is connected to the hotel.

AACT is in the process of working out a program with ASCAP for community Theatres, the fee would be based on budget and will be discounted for AACT members.

Remember the 2008 AACT Festival which will be in New York at Sheraton Towers.

VII. WACTFest 2006

Bob Kafka thanked the host and presented them a certificate of thanks. A certificate was also presented to Beaver Dam.

VIII. AACTFest 2007

The Wisconsin festival is still looking for a home. The Region III festival will be held in Schaumburg, IL on April 25-27, 2007. The national festival will be held in Charlotte NC on June 18-24, 2007 at a cost of between \$170-220 at the Charlotte Omni Center.

IX. Committees

The committee structure was handed out and all were asked to volunteer.

X. Announcements

The Region III festival will be April 25-27, 2007 in Schaumburg, IL. Other things of interest in the area include, *Wicked* in Chicago, Woodfield Mall, Medieval Times, and all of Downtown Chicago.

XI. Other Business

Bob presented certificates to the out-going board members: Bob Kafka, Elaine Jellings, Dick Jellings, and Carla Gallun.

The International Festival will be held July 12-16, 2006 in Midland, TX.

Community Theatre Association of Michigan will be holding a Playwright Competition for the Region III area. See their website, CommunityTheatre.org for information.

There will be biographies for new board members and all of the board in upcoming newsletters.

This year's silent auction netted \$390.00 revenue.

XII. Elections

Nominations were entertained from the floor.

Motion – To close the floor for nominations.
(*Elaine Jellings/Marie Peterson – Passed*)

Nominations received and accepted were:

Bob Kafka Heidi-rose Creuziger Allen Ebert Carla Gallun

Ballots were handed out and turned in. The election committee counted the votes and the members elected as board members were:

Bob Kafka Heidi-rose Creuziger Allen Ebert Carla Gallun

XIII. Adjournment

Motion – That the meeting be adjourned.
(*Carla Gallun/Jeannie Pitsch – Passed*)

The meeting was adjourned at 10:06 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Ruhl, Secretary, WACT