

**Wisconsin Association of Community Theatre  
Annual Membership Meeting Minutes  
February 11, 2007 – Verona, Wisconsin**

**I. President Bob Kafka called the meeting to order at 9:57 am.**

**II. Introductions**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the February 26, 2006 membership meeting were presented.

**Motion** – To approve the minutes of the February 26, 2006 membership meeting.  
(*Frank Peot/Elaine Jellings – Passed*)

Certificates of Appreciation were given to the Board members who had completed their terms, Dee Baldock, Frank Peot, and Russ Stetler.

**IV. Financial Report**

The financial report was presented and discussed.

**Motion** – To approve the Financial Report.  
(*Jeannie Pitsch/Mark Holten – Passed*)

**V. Reports of Committees Reporting to the President – Bob Kafka**

**A. Off Year Festival** – The off year festival will be held in Barron, WI February 22-24, 2008.

**B. History** – Elaine Jellings is the History Committee Chair. Bob Kafka asked that if you have pictures from this festival, please send them to him. If you have anything of historical interest please contact Elaine Jellings.

**C. Website** – Our website address is WACTweb.org, please visit us at any time.

**D. Newsletter** – People were asked to send newsletter articles or ideas to Bob Kafka.

**VI. Reports of Committees Reporting to the Vice President – Frank Peot**

**A. AACTFest** – Next year's off year festival will be in Barron, WI in 2008. We are still looking for a host for 2009.

**B. Bylaws/Operations Manual** – There were no changes this year.

**C. Awards** – There were two awards presented. An award for an individual who has contributed to community theatre was presented to Elaine Jellings. An award for an organization that has contributed to community theatre was presented to LaCrosse Community Theatre.

## **VII. Reports of Committees Reporting to the Secretary – Lynn Ruhl**

**A. Membership** – Lynn Ruhl presented the membership report. Jeannie Pitsch encouraged all who haven't already, to join the organization. Information regarding membership and its benefits were also handed out.

**B. Publicity** – Allen Ebert spoke about the survey that had been sent to organizations and stated a survey will be used again. We need to get information out to the state. Suggestions included a video documentary, ads in magazines and other publications, and discounted tickets for members.

## **VIII. AACT Items of Interest – Bob Kafka**

ASCAP – AACT members can purchase pre and post show music rights from ASCAP through AACT at a discount. AACT will probably begin negotiating with BMI for the same sort of discount.

If you have any suggestions for the next AACTFest, now is the time to send that information to AACT.

## **IX. Announcements**

Ohio will be having their AACTFest next week and Michigan the week after that. Ruth Bardy, the Region III Representative from Illinois spoke on Illinois' festival on April 13-14<sup>th</sup> and the Region III festival April 21-26<sup>th</sup> in Shaumburg, IL.

The National convention will be in Charlotte, NC June 18<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

## **X. Other Business**

None.

## **XI. Elections**

Nominations were entertained from the floor for WACT Board of Director positions. Lynn Ruhl nominated Darrell Wagner, he accepted the nomination and it was seconded.

**Motion** – To accept the nomination of Darrell Wagner.

*(Allen Ebert/Karen Ebert – Passed)*

**Motion** – To close the floor to nominations.

*(Elaine Jellings/Jeff – Passed)*

Nominations received and accepted were:

Dee Baldock                  Frank Peot                  Darrel Wagner

**Motion** – To cast a unanimous ballot for the nominated slate.  
*(Dee Baldock/Mark Holten – Passed)*

The members elected as board members were:

Dee Baldock                  Frank Peot                  Darrell Wagner

### **XIII. Adjournment**

**Motion** – That the meeting be adjourned.  
*(Elaine Jellings/Jeannie Pitsch – Passed)*

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Ruhl, Secretary, WACT