

Heritage Hunt Little Theater
HHLT General Meeting May 21, 2015

In the absence of President Denny Cumber, and Vice President Sandy Thompson, the meeting was called to order by Secretary Jim Burwell at 7:00pm. Board Member Ginny McCardle was also absent. Overall, 22 members were in attendance.

Secretary's Report – Jim Burwell read the minutes of the April 16, 2015 meeting. Correction was noted to street address of Georgiana Ide. They were approved with correction.

Treasurer's Report – Helen Esposito reported an income of \$11,295.27 as of May 12, 2015. During this reporting period there was income of \$13,183.65. Of this, \$30.00 was for membership fees and the balance was ticket sales of the production, "Bad Year for Tomatoes". Expenses totaled \$1,888.38, all of which were for the production. The Report was accepted. Details are attached. Helen also reported that the net income for the production was \$1,675.22. Details are attached.

A discussion of the exorbitant cost of the bartenders for the production followed the Treasurer's Report. Seasoned members explained that this is an expense which had been discussed with Western Gulf and Billy Casper in the past with no satisfaction. Both the men's and women's choruses also bear this expense for their concerts. Georgiana Ide volunteered to discuss this practice with Billy Casper on behalf of HHLT.

Vice President's Report – In the absence of Sandy Thompson, Kathryn Schmeil announced that she and Gene will be directing the fall play. It will be held October 6-8 and is titled "Social Security". Kathryn then gave a synopsis of the play and said that there will be a reading after the meeting is adjourned. Kathryn announced that Jane Becker and Christine King will be stage managers, Ted Day will head up set construction, and she described the other crew positions that are available.

President's Report – Acting President Jim Burwell had nothing to report.

Activities Report – Georgiana reminded members that notes to Bets Knepley are still welcomed.

Gene Schmeil is in a production of "Twelfth Night" at Vint Hill. Georgiana said that she purchased tickets for June 14 and invited members to purchase their own ticket for that performance and then go to her home for refreshments and discussion. Members were asked to RSVP to Georgiana and to bring a dish to share. She will provide beverages.

Georgiana announced that our picnic will be a cook out at her home on October 17, with a rain date of October 18. More info will be forthcoming. Also Georgiana welcomes ideas for fun activities.

Membership Report – In Ginny McCardle's absence, Helen Esposito reported that Ginny will be following up with the approximately 20 unpaid members in 2015.

At-Large Report – Kathy Carrico had nothing new to report on the memorial bench. She then announced that resident Tom Chapman died and shared the details of the viewing and service.

Communications – Kathryn Schmeil reported that MJ Brickach was the winner of May's brain teaser. Someone suggested that rather than award the prize to the "first" respondent, to put all correct answers in a hat and draw a winner. Members felt that this is fairer since not everyone is constantly on the internet to read the Newsletter as soon as it is published. Kathryn liked this idea.

Old Business –

Donation Policy - In Denny Cumber's absence, Helen Esposito reported that the policy should be finalized for the next meeting.

By Laws update – In Sandy Thompson's absence, Jim Burwell reported that looking through the archives, he was able to find old job descriptions for Board members. They are being reviewed by the incumbents and then will be given to the committee so the committee can continue working on the By Laws.

Open questions/comments – There were none.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Helen Esposito, Treasurer
Acting for Jim Burwell, Secretary