

Minutes of Committee meeting

4th August 2016

At The Bridewell



Registered Charity No 266705

Present

Wendy Ellis – chair, Heather Carpenter – secretary, Tracey Hobbs – treasurer, Lee Nairn, Sonia Corke, Georgette Vale.

Apologies, David Percival

Agenda No.	Business	Action
1	Apologies for Absence See above.	N/A
2	Minutes of Previous Meeting The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed.	WE
3	Matters Arising Further concern was expressed over the availability of both changing rooms at Central Hall for the next production. The next production requires changing facilities for 3 women and 6 men. If the changing room, currently used as the pastor's office, is not available, or not practical to use, a suggestion is that we have the use of the Tiffey room, at no extra cost. We are aware of the knock-on implications for other CH users ie the bridge club. To be discussed with Mike Breame Amanda to be requested to record a video to promote See How They Run. Also a new membership video needs to be recorded.	DP HC SC
4	New Members Report SC gave an update on new members and communication with potential members.	SC
5	Financial Report The financial situation remains the same as that presented to the AGM. Tracey will present an up to date report at the next committee meeting. Bank account details and signatures need to be changed.	TH

	TH has another hand-over meeting with AC tomorrow evening.	TH/WE
6	Central Hall Liaison report In the absence of DP, there was no report.	
7	<p>AGM Debrief</p> <p>The committee gave a resumé of the AGM to GV. All committee members present at the AGM felt bruised and disenchanted as a result of the lack of understanding and appreciation of our efforts shown by a few members at the meeting. The depth of feeling was such that some considered resigning at the meeting. Following committee discussion, it was concluded that some of the challenges to our proposals resulted from members not reading and responding to the information which is sent out by email and the Wypmie. All proposals had been notified to the membership in advance of the AGM; no responses, suggested alterations or comments were received back from the membership.</p> <p>The committee agreed to check the insurance, to check if it is necessary to be a member in order to participate in Wymondham Players productions/events. The conclusion of this is that it is NOT necessary. However, the committee reaffirmed an earlier decision; that all participants should be members / or look to become members, with the exception of non-money handling FOH helpers.</p> <p>‘Looking to become a member’ = helpers are allowed to participate for their first and second attendance, but they are asked to become members if they wish to participate further.</p> <p>There was a persistent challenge to, what was perceived as, a proposal to change the constitution. The explanation that it was only the language that was being updated, and any changes were to the memorandum/guidelines, NOT the constitution, was not accepted and continued to be challenged.</p> <p>The committee decided;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. to present to the membership both the old and the new memorandum/guidelines, highlighting the changes. 2. To remind the membership of the hard work of the committee and that we are all volunteers. 3. Produce a list of our achievements/progress for 2015-16. 4. Request that the membership read emails and information sent to them. 5. As the committee now has only 7 members, we will be looking to co-opt people during the year to assist with projects. 6. The conduct of the AGM meant that some important issues were neglected, namely giving thanks to the outgoing committee and particularly the retiring members; Alan and Brian. It was decided to buy cards to be signed at the summer BBQ and presented to both. 	<p></p> <p>WE/HC</p> <p>WE/HC</p> <p>WE/HC</p> <p>WE/HC</p> <p>WE/HC</p> <p>LN</p>

8	<p>The Future – Productions</p> <p>Leanne Neave and John Harrod are offering to jointly direct ‘Cards on the Table’ by Agatha Christie. They propose it as the 22 – 25 November 2017 production.</p> <p>This was unanimously supported by the committee.</p> <p>All roles that contribute to the production should be offered to the whole membership.</p> <p>The committee considered the future schedule of plays; It was decided that if we produce a ‘money-maker’ eg an Agatha Christie, it could be followed by a more risky production.</p> <p>It was suggested, and agreed, to try to re-schedule when our plays are performed, as follows; End March / early-mid July / end November. Mike Breame to be contacted.</p> <p>Future Schedule = End March ‘17 = two / three short plays - What’s for Pudding – Directed by Sonia Corke and Brian Maddern, Thermal Underwear – Directed by Georgette Vale and another Joining the Club – director to be confirmed The above are those chosen for the summer plays. This suggestion was unanimously supported by the committee.</p> <p>Early-mid July ‘17 = venue; WHS studio theatre / possibly outside in the quad. Suggested dates – 12-15, 5-8, 19-22 July. Check availability.</p> <p>End November ‘17 = Cards on the Table – Directed by Leanne Neave and John Harrod</p> <p>End March ‘18 = One Man Two Guvnors – Directed by Wendy Ellis</p> <p>November ‘16 See How They Run Amanda has asked Nancy and Rick to stage manage. An email should go out to all members re other roles.</p> <p>Director’s role – when a play is approved; this should go to the directors, with all the information about the next steps. This will be forwarded to Leanne and John.</p>	<p>TH</p> <p>SC/BM GV/+</p> <p>HC</p> <p>WE</p> <p>HC - Wympie</p> <p>WE/HC</p>
9	<p>The Future – Social Events</p> <p>Summer BBQ, Sun August 14th. It was unanimously agreed that there should be no charge for this event.</p> <p>The AGM agreed that Wymondham Players should have a monthly ‘Club Night’. The Feathers will be asked for available dates.</p> <p>The technical workshop on 17th September will be free to members. No one has yet signed up.</p>	<p>LN</p>

	<p>We have been invited to take up 2 places on the forthcoming RSC Workshop – Theatre Royal, September 25. Remind membership in Wympie and email.</p> <p>Future Schedule = Sept - Monthly Club Night – dates to be advised Oct - Monthly Club Night – dates to be advised Nov – Production Dec - Monthly Club Night – dates to be advised Jan - 12th Night Supper – Green Dragon – Fri 6th January 2017 Feb - Monthly Club Night?? (If previous Club Nights prove successful) Mar – Production April - Monthly Club Night?? (If previous Club Nights prove successful) May – Quiz Night Jun - Monthly Club Night?? (If previous Club Nights prove successful) July – Production Aug – Summer BBQ</p>	HC - Wympie
10	<p>AOB Performing Arts East publicity is confusing re its use of NODA branding. Check Fb page, as may have been hijacked. Wymondham Christmas Lights switch-on – Wymondham players could be involved – ideas to be requested.</p>	HC - Wympie

The meeting closed at 9.22 p.m.

WYMONDHAM PLAYERS COMMITTEE MEETING DATES

Mon 19th Sept

Mon 17th Oct

Mon 5th Dec

Tues Jan 10th

Tues Feb 7th

