

Jackson County Stage Company Membership Meeting  
**August 17, 2020**  
**(Via Zoom)**

**Call to Order:** 7:05pm by VP of Productions Brandyn McGhee

**Present:** Brandyn McGhee, Jeff Keasler-Bird, Jacquie Betz, Eric Billingsley, Paul Vanni, Sam Foskey, Linda Benz, JoAnn Hensley, Jenn Goode, Sarah Alley

**Jenn Goode made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 2020 meeting; Jo Ann Hensely seconds motions; the motion is approved unanimously.**

**Treasury Report**

We received all the outstanding refunds and deposits back from cancelled shows and Forever Plaid. The season artist was paid for artwork and monthly utilities were paid.

**Jacquie Betz made a motion to approve the treasury report; Jo Ann seconds motion; the motion is approved unanimously.**

**President/VP Productions**

--VCA meeting took place. As of now they are holding all events as virtual only. They had been doing some on the sidewalk outside, but due to case rises they went back to strictly virtual.

They received a grant to help with payroll, but other than that they haven't received any outside funding other than the small donation amounts they have been getting through the concerts.

They indicated that should we occupy the space we would be liable for cleaning and sanitizing the space ourselves.

--Donor letters will be going out soon. The in-person gala was cancelled, but we still want to send out the letters as a thank you and to remind them to continue to support us.

--Membership renewals will also be going out. We still want to encourage membership going forward and those renewal forms will be out soon.

**\*\*Upcoming Season Update\*\***

As of now, we have decided to cancel the two mainstage shows (1984 and Shakespeare Abridged) slated for the fall, for the sake of actors' and audience's safety with the ongoing crisis. It was a very difficult decision for both directors, but as of now it just seems to be the right thing to do.

Both of those shows will definitely still be in consideration for future seasons though.

--We are still looking at some virtual options for the fall, whether it be a reading or recording a small group of actors and then airing that. The tricky part is determining licensing and rights for streaming certain things.

--Willow Street Dance Building has been for sale and we have been looking at the space as a potential new building for us. However, we recently learned they have another offer pending for the building. At this point it doesn't seem like we are in the position to make a viable counter offer.

**New Business**

**\*Diversity/Inclusivity Constitutional Amendment\***

We have decided to compose a statement of diversity that we would like to add to our constitution.

--Tony has compiled this statement and we are presenting it to the membership now. If everyone is in agreement, we will vote on it at the September 2020 meeting.

--Eric suggested we add in something regarding our openness to "non-traditional" casting.

--A copy of this will be sent out to the membership as well so everyone can review in more in depth before the vote next meeting.

**7:35pm meeting adjourned.**