

Regina Lyric Musical Theatre

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, September 22, 2022, 7:00 pm

Theatre Saskatchewan Boardroom

#104 ,1102 - 8th Ave, Regina SK S4R 1C9
and via Zoom

Present:

Janet Wilson

Jan Besse

Jeff Sawatsky

Tyson Harvey

Megan Horne

Adriana Christianson Putz

Ryan Riopay

Melissa Biro guest, Executive Director, Theatre Saskatchewan

via zoom

Jane Ursan

Joan Ziffle

Owen Ricker

Celia Ricker

Deanna Patterson

Regrets: Jamie Young

1. Call to Order – *Janet Wilson 7:03 pm*
2. Acknowledgement and Welcome

Janet Wilson welcomed everyone who joined either in person or via zoom, acknowledging that we are gathered on Treaty 4 Territory and the homeland of the Metis, and that we resolve to do whatever we can to support reconciliation.

3. Zoom Guidelines –
Tyson Harvey – asked all voting members present to note that when votes are called, please put your hand up and wait until the chair acknowledges your vote before putting your hand down.
4. Adoption of Agenda
The agenda was amended to combine 6 c & d under c; and make e, d. So moved by Megan Horne, seconded by Tyson Harvey; all were in favour in person and on zoom. Motion carried.
5. Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting (September 14, 2021)

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Jan Besse, seconded by Adriana Christianson Putz; all were in favour in person and on zoom. Motion carried.

6. Reports:

a. Treasurer/Membership – *Jeff Sawatsky*

Janet Wilson advised the membership will vote separately for this report, and all others will have one vote at the end.

Jeff reviewed the spreadsheet and provided the following highlights of the 2021-22 fiscal year: revenue ~\$36,000, expenses ~\$50,000. A loss of \$14,000 for the year, lost on the spring show. No questions.

2021 Fall Show generated \$8,400 revenue, and expenses of \$8,300, broke even. It was noted the Hungarian Club worked well, with the exception of there being no green room type space for singers to warm up and gather in. Given we were under covid restrictions and checked vaccine status, it was a new experience for all .

It is anticipated that the Spring show will have \$24,000 revenue, expenses \$35,000.

Breakdown of last 5 years of shows shows RLMT loses on larger shows and does better on smaller shows.

Balance sheet – rent difference moving from RPAC to LUC was significant. Grant from TS – can't recognize until we receive mics and they are on back order.

Narrative report. Review is done when revenue exceeds \$25,000.

Difference in cost is between \$500 to \$1,000 more for an audit over a review. We have good financial practices in place as a board. We are not dealing with a lot of cash and there is not a lot of risk in the way our business is conducted.

Jeff Sawatsky moved acceptance of report. Adriana Christianson Putz seconded the report. All in person and on zoom votes were in favour. Motion carried.

Membership report: 46 donor members in 20-21 and \$5,587 total revenue. Revenue from fund raising was highlighted.

Membership for Lyric Singers was down (some due to vaccine mandate), contributing to the change in the numbers this year.

b. Lyric Singers – *Jane Ursan*

An overview of Guilty Pleasures was provided – event held at the Hungarian Club, 31 singers, 5 in the band, impact of covid was summarized.

No concert for Lyric Singers for this fall due to the gala.

d. Publicity/ Marketing / Fundraising/ Sponsorship – *Adriana /Jan*

Summary of Guilty Pleasures and Little Women media posts and publicity provided. 1,200 engagements for Guilty Pleasures. 2 grant applications were submitted- one to the Farm Credit Corporations Regina Spirit award and one to the City of Regina. Both were unsuccessful.

e. *President – Janet Wilson*

Guilty Pleasures at the Hungarian Club was well received. The fundraising brunch was not held in 2022 due to a variety of factors. Little Women leads were acknowledged and thanked for their hard work.

Code of conduct was initiated with Little Women.

Gratitude was expressed for Joan Ziffle's role in assisting with storage space and the Ziffle family's assistance with the relocation effort. Linda Wier also helped with purging unneeded costumes.

New members through social media and appeals to membership were successful and gratitude was expressed for the willingness of Deanna, Megan and Ryan to join the board.

Thanks was expressed to existing board members for their contributions.

A motion to accept all these reports to e. was made by Adriana Christianson Putz. Tyson Harvey seconded the motion. All present and via zoom voted in favour. Motion carried.

7. *Nomination and Election of Officers for 2022-2023 – Janet Wilson presiding*

It was noted the first 4 positions form the Executive.

President position responsibilities were summarized. Janet Wilson has completed her three year term. Jan Besse was nominated by Jeff Sawatsky. Jan accepted the nomination. 3 calls for nominations from the floor were conducted. That nominations cease was moved by Adriana Christianson Putz seconded by Megan Horne. All present and via zoom voted in favour. The motion was carried. Jan Besse was acclaimed as president for a three year term to conclude in September 2025.

Vice President has been vacant since 2019. Position was summarized. Should be willing to be nominated for president at the end of the 3 year term. 3 calls for nominations. No nominations made. Position to remain vacate for now.

Secretary – this position was vacated by the resignation of Nathan Breitenbach in May 2022. An overview of the position was provided. Two years remain in the term for this position which runs to September 2024. Jan Besse nominated Megan Horne. Megan accepted the nomination. 3 calls for nominations from the floor was conducted. There were no nominations from the floor. Tyson Harvey moved and Ryan Riopay seconded that nominations cease. All present and via zoom voted in favour. The motion was carried. Megan Horne was acclaimed for a two year term as Secretary to conclude in September 2024.

Treasurer – Jeff Sawatsky - after 20 years on the board – has agreed to be consultant and assist the new treasurer with becoming familiar with the role. Adriana Christianson Putz nominated Ryan Riopay to the position of Treasurer. Ryan accepted the nomination. 3 calls for nominations from the floor were conducted. There were no nominations from the floor. Jeff Sawatsky moved that nominations cease and Adriana Christianson Putz seconded the motion. All present and via zoom voted in favour. The motion was carried. Ryan Riopay was acclaimed for a for a two year term as Treasurer to conclude in September 2024.

Member at Large – functions of the member at large were summarized.

Jamie Young was elected in 2021 for a 2 year term. Jamie chairs the Marketing Committee. Jamie is on a leave from board responsibilities while she is abroad. It is expected she will return early in 2023 and complete her term to September 2023.

Adriana Christianson Putz was welcomed to her term on the board in 2021 and has one year left of her two year term, to September 2023. Adriana is a member of the Marketing Committee with responsibility for Publicity, Social Media and Sponsorship.

Jan Besse – Jan’s second term on the board was from Sept 2020 to present. Jan’s term as member at large is complete.

For the two remaining member at large positions, one vote will be conducted for both positions.

Adriana Christianson Putz nominated Deanna Patterson for member at large. Deanna accepted the nomination for a two year term with an end date of September 2024. There were 3 calls for nominations from the floor. No nominations were received from the floor.

In January 2022 Joan Ziffle left her position on the board. Tyson Harvey joined the board on March 7, 2022 to complete that term to September 2023. His appointment needs to be confirmed. Joan Ziffle nominated Tyson Harvey. Tyson accepted the nomination. There were 3 calls for nominations from the floor. No nominations were received from the floor.

A motion to cease nominations for members at large was made by Megan Horne. Motion was seconded by Adriana Christianson Putz. All present and via zoom voted in favour. Motion carried.

Congratulations to all new and returning board members.

8. Other Business
 - a. Code of Conduct – Jan Besse

Brief overview. The signing off was done by all Board members and all members of the Little Women cast. This has been well received to date, and no issues have arisen. All gala participants need to sign. All board members will sign for the 2022-23 year.

Congratulations and many heartfelt thanks and expressions of appreciation are noted for Janet Wilson President, who came onto the board in the fall of 2003, and to Jeff Sawatsky Treasurer, who has served consecutive terms totaling 20 years.

9. Adjournment: Megan Horne moved adjournment, and Adriana Christianson Putz seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 7:51 pm