

Don Childs called meeting to order at 1:12 PM

WELCOME TO ALL PRESENT

A special welcome to the guests, Robert Benedetti, Jack Hagler, Randy Davidson and Jenny Knott

Don Childs called for clarification of the fact that Kristina Hanssen is actually the chair to the By Laws committee and not James Cunningham. NOTED and changed in the minutes.

Kasey Allee-Foreman made motion to accept minutes with the change as above James Cunninham 2nd approved

Committee Reports

Membership Tom Grabowski

31 individuals 73 students 5 Commercial/Vendor Not up to the minute with this symposium there would be growth.

There were 81 including the comps for this symposium

Treasurer Elizabeth Lewandowski

From the Symposium there was \$1500.00 giving us just under \$5,000 in the checking with the \$2000 from the City as a hosting incentive and the fact that it cost us \$1,040.00 to be at the Music Center

Time and Place Kristina Hanssen

Possible Winter Symposium change as we are trying to meet with Regional ACTF. More to come later

Liaison Jason Forman

Please see him if there are any possible ways to reach out and give SW-USITT a regional presence.

Regional ACTF in FEB WE may be meeting with them

TETA in Jan

TEXAS Thespians in November

TNT

TETA

Arkansas Thespians in January at Henderson State University WILLIAM HENSHAW to help pitch USITT there

Eric Friend brought up mass mailings and emails it was explained that the mass mailing was too costly

Randy Davidson informed us that as of Yesterday he had talked to the national Thespians organization in Cincinnati and they would sell their lists.

By Laws Kristina Hanssen

No Report at this time

Design Competition Kasey Allee-Foreman

NO one submitted any student work for the 40TH LOGO so a national registration was wasted. Stated that since Don Childs had done one and we had used it that it was no longer a viable competition.

Claremarie Verheyen moved we accept all reports George Curry 2nd Passed

Old Business

•HISTORY Elizabeth Lewandowski

She is finished with it she just forgot to send it to the board will be doing that in the next few weeks. The Board will then have two weeks to look at it fill in holes and get it back to her.

What she had gotten from David Fleming is in outline form not a narrative. it will go to Jason Foreman to be put on the website.

•HAPPY BIRTHDAY USITT

THE INSTITUTES 50TH IS SWUSITT 'S 40TH

- a. Photo Ops– We need to work on this please email Don Childs any suggestions.
 - a. Mascot WE still do not know if one has been chosen Kasey Allee-Foreman will get us information on this.
 - b. Logo can be photo shopped into photos. Send to Don Childs or Jason Foreman to be put on the website.

Sam Houston did a skit and if this could be put on the website it would be good

Birthday Card on the website Jason Forman will get the file and put a link on our site

It was asked of Kristina Hanssen could we do a party at the Spring Symposium. Can we also do lapel pins for our 40th Elizabeth will look into this.

•Student chapters

Nathan said he will do more networking for this and get more involved Henderson State University got their student chapter.

NEW BUSINESS

ACTF/ SW-USITT Spring Symposium Kristina Hanssen

Kristina has been working with Michelle Nye the regional ACTF DESIGN CHAIR

The Conference is to be held in Amarillo, Texas Wed February 24 to Sat February 27, 2010. There is lots of room so having the design tech display was not a problem of space.

Proposal for a design tech display and our own programming as we have in the past is on the table, with having USITT do our own program from Thursday to Saturday.

Proposed that If the student is going to display for USITT they must be a member of USITT.

Our Judges will judge ours and ACTF will do their own or WE MAY have a couple from each organization and they will judge all.

Questions were raised about

We would have to talk to Amarillo and have registration separate.

It could be a nightmare if we are to be able to cross over and they would too into our workshops and to see their plays.

Elizabeth Lewandowski asked to be on the program committee to help with these problems and or solutions.

Motion was made to allow the programming committee to pursue working with ACTF REGIONAL to hold joint meeting.

Moved by Jason Foreman and 2nd by George Curry passed

EMAIL problems

Claremarie Verheyen asked that everyone please check with Tom Grabowski about email as 1/3 bounced back when she was working on a email.

Don Childs said to email him at djcsvusitt@gmail.com and that he would forward that to Tom for a check.

Eric Friend suggested that the board members get generic e-mail that would be forwarded this might help to have them go with the office not the person. Jason Foreman said he would LOVE to work on this new thing.

•Call for Nominations

from the floor

with a meeting of the nominations committee immediately after the meeting today.

President Elect (serves 1 year then takes over serves 2 as president then 2 as Past President)

Kristina Hanssen

Kasey Allee-Foreman

Vice President for Communications

Jason Foreman

Liz Shurr

Secretary

William Henshaw

Claremaire Verheyen

Directors at large both 2 and 4

George Curry
James Cunningham
April Keith
Lelonnie Lehmann
Eric Friend

Student

Rachael Williams
Michael Wiss

•Other New Business

Randy Davidson Thanked us for allowing him to do his workshop and told us that there were 24 deaths in the three days that we had been there and 4 were students.

It was suggested that we move the meeting to the middle of the symposia so that there might be more members involved as it is now at the end there are usually only half of the members still there and they are making decisions for the whole group. If moved to the middle with no excuse to leave because there would be more of the workshop to attend later.

Don Childs asked that we think about workshops and have suggestions for the other symposia and think about scheduling and conflicts and get to the program committee for choices.

A couple of the students said that they liked the hands on workshops with something to take away with them that THEY had done.

Could transportation issues be worked out better if we are not on site.

They would also like to attend other sessions so maybe we could rethink the whole day one thing ideas and a SHOW would be nice.

Thank you for doing this for them.

Henderson State University offered to host the next year's symposium in Arkadelphia.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:31 pm

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY William G. Henshaw, Secretary