

# Notes - 3/14/19 Theatre Parent Meeting

**Next Meeting: Tues., April. 16, 6:30pm**

## **Misc. Quick Reminders**

- Reminder: If want to buy a Theatre Parent Group t-shirt or hoodie, you can buy them through Sun., March 17. <https://www.bonfire.com/show-your-acma-theatre-parent-pride/>
- Tues, May 21: Pizzicato night for ACMA.
- There will NOT be a karaoke night fundraiser on March 22.

## **Heathers Recap**

- Lot of things worked well. Had largest audiences we've had so far for shows — ~300 each in Fri and Sat night.
- Ticket sales & concessions brought in about \$6000. Not sure what net tally is, after paying licensing fees, lumber, etc. Having student musicians helped save money; didn't have to pay musicians.
- Would have been good if we'd put up more posters, sold tickets ahead of time, done more on social media ahead of time.
- Suggestion: Maybe look into ways to add what student referred the person for the ticket sale (for online ticket sales).
- Ideas going forward for next year: Each student presell 10 tickets per show. Need more advertising - at other schools. Send posters or postcards to other schools (can send to Beaverton schools through interdistrict mail), both in Beaverton and around Portland.

## **PTO Spectacular**

- Having an all-school ACMA Showcase on May 18, 7-9:30pm, here in the PAC. Includes every art form at ACMA.
- Will have a VIP experience (about 85 tickets — \$100). Starts at 5:00pm, with a tour, food and nonalcoholic drinks, music, goodie bag with ACMA souvenirs, reserved seats and reserved parking.
- General admission tickets too.
- Friday night will be a preview; abbreviated program. Will be lower cost ticket - \$15.
- Trying to make the spectacular accessible to the whole school.
- Theatre will have 2 spots in the program — Heathers medley, maybe another.
- Mr. Bertram is helping to plan, along with Jason Davis, other teachers, and PTO volunteers.
- Will need some theatre parent help (~4 people) for running — dedicated backstage

organizing, probably. Will be 2 weeks of rehearsals.

### **State - High School**

- Thur-Sat, April 4-6, in Salem.
- Kids who scored high enough at Regionals were eligible to go to State. Have 21 kids going. May start getting competitive about who gets to go for extra slots — maybe a punch system or something for earning a spot (ex: showing up for work parties earns a punch in a punch card).
- Will see 3 shows as part of the festival.
- There's a competition on Thursday; have a showcase Friday morning of the best pieces from Thursday.
- There are workshops all day Friday and Saturday.
- Kids are staying at the Grand Hotel. Shaun has the room setups.
- We're taking a one-act adaptation of "Scoobert Doo, Wherefore Art Thou?"
- ACMA kids go down on a bus Thur morning ~10am. Stay at the hotel Thur and Fri night. Bus leaves Salem ~5pm on Saturday and brings kids back to ACMA (back ~6pm).
- \$50 deposit due.
- Events are largely closed to the public; open only to student attendees.
- Food: Breakfast is at the hotel. Will have a troupe dinner at Marco Polo Friday night. Every other meal is the responsibility of the kids; will need some money for them. There's a restaurant in the hotel and others ~2-3 blocks nearby.

### **State - Middle School:**

- Friday, April 5 - Junior thespian day at Salem. Brian Bertram is taking the middle schoolers.
- Workshops throughout the day.
- Is a No School day. Parents have to get kids to school by 8:00am. There's a bus from ACMA down to Salem and back.
- Fee includes lunch and a t-shirt.

### **Trouble in Paradise Junction**

- Ahead of schedule; in good shape.
- Work party this Saturday, March 16, 9am-4pm.
- Finalized the list of cast & crew. Linda P. has the list for the \$20 cast/crew fee (for anyone who wants the t-shirt or meal on Saturday); Linda will be setting up payment online for parents, and parents will get electronic notice of the fee and can pay through ParentVue (same as for school fees at the start of the school year). If there's a financial hardship, parents can ask for a waiver from Linda P. in the bookkeeping

office.

- T-shirt design: Submitted last Friday. Need to check if we have sizes in the audition or bio forms (stage manager Lauren should know). Carrie Salehiamin ordering t-shirts; Mr. Bertram wants to have them ready to hand out Mon/Tues the week the show opens.
- Props: Still looking for shovels (dirt shovels) - every kid in the cast needs one.
- Props: Will need a big case of Ready Whip & pie tins.
- Props: Needs a wooden desk with a knee hole that can see the person's legs through.
- Will want kids to sell tickets ahead of time.
- Publicity: Whatever we can do to get out name & advertise. Facebook, Instagram - Need to promote the show on multiple times & days.
- This is a family-friendly, all-ages show. Bring kids!
- Sensory-friendly Wed, April 10 preview @ 7pm. Is free; intended for kids with special needs.
- Will send out volunteer signup list for show shifts. (If you want to volunteer but haven't completed the background check, you should have enough time to submit your application and have it processed before the show opens. Start the application [here](#).)

### **Next Year's Shows/Summer Offerings**

- Summer: Will not be doing any summer theater workshops or offerings through ACMA. If kids want to do theatre things this summer, they can look around in the community or other workshops.
- Good Night Desdemona, Good Morning Juliet - Shaun will direct in the fall.
- Will probably do Fall Festival of Shakespeare - maybe Romeo & Juliet.
- A musical in the Black Box space - possibly Cabaret or other show. Brian Bertram will direct.
- Peter and the Star Catcher in the spring. TBD if will be if younger or high school cast.
- Possibly another slot for a show.
- Shaun has to apply for the rights for the shows. Can give us a final list at the next theatre parent meeting in April.

### **Jamba Juice Fundraiser**

- Will do in May. Date TBD. Kathy Leis & Seona Zimmermann will be managing.
- Cards are \$10 each - allows to buy 8 medium smoothies for \$3, plus get one small one for free.
- Last year we sold 150 cards, made \$750.