

Taylor PlayMakers
Booster Club Meeting
September 14, 2010

7:00 PM

- I. Call to Order - Susan Reichstein called to order the regular meeting of the Taylor PlayMakers at 7:00 PM on September 14 in the Black Box.**
- II. Approval of Minutes from last meeting - Minutes from May 11, 2010 were approved**
- III. Treasury Report – Heike Dees – Balance to date is \$9965**
- IV. Purpose & Goals of our Booster Club -**

Support for Shows: Ms. Williams discussed parents supporting our students, department and productions by getting the word out to all friends and family to attend the shows and volunteering to help sell concessions, tickets, and miscellaneous needs of the students and directors.

Fundraising: We have eliminated the garage sales and entertainment books from fundraising – Ms. Williams asked the parents to submit other options for the department to bring in funds to help with the expenses. Parents were invited to pass information on the Patron Program to businesses and individuals that they may know to help support our department. These can be found on the website. The musical this year is expected to exceed the \$21,000 cost of the last musical performance.

Senior Scholarship Program: Sharon Rutherford explained the scholarships awarded to qualified Thespian seniors which are given in May and decided upon by random judges within the Taylor Staff.

Parents were interested in rallying more participation from students to be involved in tech. Mr. Woods shared that more opportunities will be provided this year to see the process of acting and tech, to jump start participation.

There are many opportunities your student can participate in, even with other extra-curricular activities. Parents were encouraged to check in with the directors to assist in finding these areas to help out in.

Balkan Women: Mr. Woods - Performance is four weeks from now. The cast was selected last May. So far we have a great start - “meaty show”. Actors’ tools are their body & voice – lights and sound. Concept: Arena Style, PG13, – strong content on the horrors of war and the cruelty of humanity to themselves. “For Mature audiences” will be noted on publicity posters.

Coffee House – Thespians run the activity – serve refreshments – good fundraiser – student auditions – an opportunity to showcase their talents.

Alley Theatre Partnership – focused in our advanced classes – approximately 50 students may participate – 20 techs will be visiting the Alley to assist.

Festival – Troup chartered in 1980 – all high schools get together for workshops learning trip / fun – take two days off from school – combine with Cinco Ranch open to any active Thespians – - November 17-20 - \$300 cost to attend.

NY Trip – Need Minimum of 20 students to make the trip less expensive. We will be going during Spring Break. If interested let the Directors know – Handled by a tour guide with four chaperones. Total cost is \$1400 – first payment due October 1 – Six shows selected to see.

Comedy Sports – Shimna Gammack – Liaison – Described as improvising on the spot, a fun outlet for the kids – Auditions are on the 29th – First match is a home match and we will need volunteers to sell concessions and help support by attending.

Parents were invited to sign up for concessions, ticket sales, costume construction and poster distribution for the Balkan Women

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Submitted by: Lisa Butler

Approved by:

