

Pacific Okinawa Players (POPs)
General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, October 7, 2014
Kadena Elementary School, Room C-13

Meeting called to order @ 6:01 by President Jeanadette Ayres. Minutes from the September 2014 general meeting were approved as written and posted on website.

Officer's Reports

- President: Will discuss in new business
- Treasurer: For privacy reasons, this report is only announced at the meeting.
- Vice President: Will discuss in new business
- Membership Secretary: We have 16 new members (3 junior) as of September 2014. People that have not renewed their membership will be dropped from the member contacts after two months. Discussion about when membership dues are due was tabled until the Board reviews and clarifies what was determined in the minutes from June 2014 (old business).
- Recording Secretary: Nothing to report
- Publicist: Will discuss in new business
- Technical Director: Vacant
- Artistic Director: Will discuss in new business
- Historian: Pictures from The Snow Queen dress rehearsal have been posted to FB. Members are asked to share them with friends.

Old Business

- Publicist election - Kate Smithyman was elected unanimously.
- Technical Director election - Jackie Weizer requested to withdraw her name. This position is still available.
- Coins for departing POPs members still being researched– Jackie Weizer will update when she finds out any new information.
- Courtney Fest Caroling update – Christine will make contact and let them know we are not able to participate at this time.
- POPs representation at Kadena Newcomers' Orientation – they prefer organizations specifically representing Kadena services.
 - Options to gain access (Pursue only if we have a 6 month commitment from someone to go and represent POPs at the meetings).
 - Research possibility of becoming a private organization on Kadena.
 - Write a very persuasive letter stating how POPs already services and is beneficial to Kadena patrons.

- Survey POPs patrons to find out Air Force representation.
- Snow Queen production and volunteer update – Heather Havel requested that all members help advertise by using any of The Snow Queen advertising materials that have been created and shared with members (flyer, logo, ¼ sheets). Volunteers positions are fully staffed.

New Business

- Army Entertainment recently notified us that our theater is no longer supported for Production Royalties/Materials due to the fact that we are not located on an Army Installation, nor are we affiliated with Army MWR. We are seeking further clarification on what it means to be “affiliated,” and we will explore every option to try to get Army Entertainment to support us again.
 - Possible options that were discussed to help gain POPs affiliation:
 - Research possibility of becoming a private organization on Torii Station.
 - Survey POPs patrons to find out Army representation and POPs benefit.
 - Members of the POPs board will be in contact with several people at Torii Station and at Army Entertainment to seek further clarification on our current status and options for our future status with Army Entertainment.
 - Ben Ayers will check to see if there is any way for Armed Forces Entertainment (FSS-18th Wing Support Services) to sponsor POPs.
 - Budgets are being recalculated to see if it is still feasible to do the shows that have already been approved for this year.
 - Christine made a motion to increase the funding for Peter Pan by \$2165.00. Membership approved the motion to increase the budget for Peter Pan.
 - Other costs saving options will also be explored (kids buying their scripts, increases prices for shows, etc.)
 - Once we determine our final standing with support for funding, we will explore other fundraising possibilities.
- Need volunteer(s) to represent POPs at Kadena Newcomers’ Orientation (6 month commitment). Contact Kate Smithyman, if able to make this commitment.

- Challenge to all members – bring at least 2 friends to one of the Snow Queen shows over the next two weekends. Help advertise the show by asking people to come to the show.
- We are looking for 3-4 people to form a marketing committee to help with web updates, poster delivery, AFN, and social networking. Contact Kate Smithyman for more information.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm

Respectfully submitted,

MiLyn Ward

Recording Secretary

Person	Due Date	Task
Jackie Weizer		Research information about coins for departing members
Membership	ASAP	Notify Kate Smithyman, if able to commit to 6 months of working the table at Kadena New Comers' Orientation
Membership	ASAP	Contact Kate Smithyman, if interested in being part of a marketing committee.
AD	ASAP	Notify Camp Courtney to let them know we will not be able to participate in Caroling at this time.
Board Members	ASAP	Make contact with specific people to discuss Army Entertainment's decision to drop sponsorship and research alternatives.
MS	Next Meeting	Review membership guidelines as written in June 2014 general meeting minutes and share with Board and POPs membership at next meeting.
Ben Ayers	ASAP	Contact Armed Forces Entertainment