

Pacific Okinawa Players (POPs) General Meeting  
Tuesday, September 8, 2015  
AGENDA  
KES Room #C13

**Call to Order at 6PM**

**Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes - Approved**

**Introduction of Guests** – Mandy, Heather and Jeff, Angel, Hannah, Misa and Aya, Alycia, Veronica and James, Jean and Paige, Chrissy, Kim and Olivia

**Officer's Reports**

President, Jeanadette Ayres – highlights from the Board meeting

- Schilling Rec Center Tinsel Town – Schilling Rec Center has asked POPs to consider doing a Christmas-themed play in Dec 2016. If any members are interested they should submit a proposal in the spring.
- Okinawa Enlisted Spouses Club Kick-Off Social is Tuesday, Sept 15<sup>th</sup> starting at 6pm. POPs was invited to setup a display table. The VP will attend.
- POPs has created a DropBox to store POPs documents. The DropBox will ensure that there is historical record of POPs activities for future Boards to use.

Vice President, Krista Hurley – no report

Treasurer, Becky Thomas

Treasurer's report was provided. Detailed report is on file.

Membership Secretary, Monica Poulsen - All members who have not renewed need to do so as soon as possible. All memberships from the previous season were only good through Aug 31<sup>st</sup> 2015. Prior to September 1<sup>st</sup>, we had over a 100 members. Now we have about 40 because so many memberships have lapsed. Dues are \$15 for individuals age 16 and older and \$10 for those under 16.

Recording Secretary, Vacant/K Hurley Acting - Sent an email to the POPs Mailing List of non-members to inform them of today's meeting. At least two guests attending today's meeting saw that message.

Publicist, Kate Smithyman, absent - no report

Technical Director, Renee Darling, absent – (report forwarded) received information about sound equipment that we might consider buying. By Oct meeting she should have a list of equipment possibilities for us to consider.

Artistic Director, Christine Smith – the Charlie Brown scripts that were returned this summer were lost in the mail but later found and received by Tams-Witmark. Tams-Witmark will refund our deposit.

Historian, Cathy Pickens – no report

## **Old Business**

### 1. Post Office Box – Jeanadette Ayres

We tried to move our PO Box to Torii Station but they won't allow private orgs to have PO boxes anymore. All private orgs are supposed to send their mail to MCCS main office. POPs is one of the few organizations that was grandfathered in. Therefore we will keep our box on Futenma. Susan Parada-Watters and Victoria Stewart offered to check the mailbox when needed. We need to get their names on the signature card so that they can pick up the mail.

### 2. Show Proposal Updates:

- “Spelling Bee” -Monica Poulsen

Auditions were successful. (Cast members present were introduced.) Have solid dates for the Kadena USO (Oct 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>) and is working with the Camp Courtney FRO to find something at Courtney. Most pressing concern is that we have access to the theater to get the materials we need.

- “No No A Million Times No” -Krista Hurley

The Futenma USO manager was very interested in us doing a show there. He is open to assisting us in any way possible. He wasn't sure how tickets would be sold or how advertising might be done. The USO staff go off island in the spring so hopefully there won't be a conflict there.

- “Harmony High” - Christine Smith

Asst director/choreographer has been selected. Scripts have not been ordered. Auditions slated for late Nov/early December. Ages are 8 – high school. More info will be coming out when we know about the theater.

### 3. Adult Spelling Bee – Belinda Pugh

Kadena Library will be sponsoring an adult spelling bee in advance of the Spelling Bee play. Belinda Pugh of the KAB library is the POC.

## **New Business**

### 1. Pembroke Players. POPs received a FB post from Tony Jenkins, Prof Emeritus of the

Okinawa Prefectural University of Arts. Prof Jenkins wrote to inform POPs about the Pembroke Players Japan Tour 2015. The troupe is from Cambridge University and visit Japan annually. They are presenting Shakespeare's The Comedy of Error at the Okinawa Christian University in Nishihara on Saturday, Oct 3rd. Doors open at 4:30 and performance is from 5p-7p. Entrance is free. How many POPs members would like to attend? Krista will send something out to the members to see how many want to attend.

(<http://www.pembrokeplayers.co.uk/show/comedy-of-errors/>)

### 2. Foster Community Theater concerns from MCCS. Will be meeting with MCCS and Base Environmental on Wed, Sept 9<sup>th</sup> to discuss.

### 3. KAB Library is looking for someone to come as a Mad Scientist and maybe even create a science lab for kids to explore and to do photo ops. Date is Oct 29<sup>th</sup> from 4pm – 6pm. Some members were interested. If interested, contact [belinda.pugh@us.af.mil](mailto:belinda.pugh@us.af.mil) of the KAB Library by email or phone at 080-3462-7296.

### 4. Dinner theater. Consider asking the high school culinary programs if they will cater. Also, the Kubasaki HS drama classroom is setup as a blackbox. Maybe POPs can use that

classroom for shows. If POPs decides to use a school, we won't be able to charge but we can accept donations.

5. Kadena Harmony is looking for singers. Kadena Harmony is a volunteer group of military spouses who sing acapella. They routinely sing the Japan and US national anthems at functions on Kadena AB.

**Meeting Adjourned at 6:45pm.**

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