

TEXAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
SPEECH and THEATRE ASSOCIATION  
Fall Business Meeting – Minutes  
Saturday, September 12, 2015  
Weatherford College – Weatherford, Texas

Breakfast was provided by Weatherford College & Nancy McVean. Many thanks go to Nancy for agreeing to host the meeting on short notice. Special thanks also go Dusty Reasons of Eastfield College for being willing to host.

Meeting called to order by Karen King, President at 9:35. In attendance:

Officers:

Karen King – Panola College – President (9/14-9/15)  
Nancy McVean – Weatherford College – Vice-President (Play Festival Host 9/15-9/16)  
Eric C. Skiles – Lone Star College-Kingwood – Secretary/Webmaster (9/14-9/17)

Attendees:

John Corley – Houston Community College-SW  
Damon Gengo – Lamar State College-Port Arthur  
Bradley A. Nies – Blinn College-Brenham  
Greg McLarty – Wharton County Junior College  
Debra Schultz – Houston Community College-NE

Not in Attendance, but Represented:

Sherri Ryan White – Lone Star College-Tomball – Treasurer (9/12-9/15)  
Kalliope Vlahos – Lone Star College-Kingwood  
Kevin Patrick – Blinn College-Brenham  
Clark Reed – Lamar State College-Port Arthur  
Jamie Hughes – Wharton County Junior College

- I. Secretary's Report
  - a. Minutes from Meeting at Spring Play Festival 2015 were recently e-mailed to membership and placed on the website

King moves to approve as written, second by Schultz, motion carries

- II. Webmaster's Report
  - a. TCCSTA.org
    - i. All domains are PAID through 2021
    - ii. The website builder is PAID through 2016
    - iii. Main traffic continues to come through campus hyperlinks (from Google searches)
    - iv. Play Festival 2015-2016 Fees Form is active online – still need to send hard copy to Treasurer
    - v. Play Festival 2015-2016 Production Registration is active online
      1. Now a webpage based submission
      2. Secretary is notified via e-mail when people register
  - b. Facebook Page
    - i. Up and running – traffic fluctuates throughout the year
    - ii. Please send production photos for posting
    - iii. Webmaster will take last year's Play Festival photos from Nies and post online
  - c. Guidebook
    - i. Exploration of Guidebook indicates that it can be used for FREE with a 200 download limit – this should be enough downloads for any Play Festival
    - ii. King suggested looking at EventBase as well

**ACTION ITEM** – Skiles will continue bi-monthly reminders to membership

**ACTION ITEM** – Skiles will place TETA "Associate Member" logo on website when provided

**ACTION ITEM** – Skiles will investigate EventBase in addition to Guidebook for Play Festival 2016

- III. Treasurer's Report (presented by Secretary) – **SEE ATTACHMENT #1**
  - a. Balance sits at \$4414.85
    - i. There were lots of shows last year
    - ii. Low overhead expenses last year
  - b. No need to alter "X" at this time

King moves to approve, second by Schultz, motion carries

- IV. Play Festival 2016
  - a. Schedule
    - i. Thanks to McVean for bringing in Mark Holtorf from Tarleton State to talk about spaces
      - 1. Two performance spaces – "Auditorium" (larger) & "Theatre" (smaller)
      - 2. Workshop Theatre for Sessions/Responses
      - 3. Art Gallery available for Tech Presentations
      - 4. Stages are Twist-Lock – NO 3-Pin adapters available
    - ii. Schedule for Festival
      - 1. Start LATER on Wednesday to provide travel time that morning
      - 2. Master schedule set by membership – **SEE ATTACHMENT #2**
      - 3. Weatherford College volunteers to go on first on Wednesday (Show #1)
      - 4. Panola LATE on Thursday – Auditorium (Show #8)
      - 5. Shows #5, #7, #11 need to be in Theatre
      - 6. HCC-SW, HCC-NE, Kingwood, Blinn, Wharton volunteer to be in the "Theatre"
      - 7. Food - Explore places for box lunches
        - a. Organization would pay
        - b. Schools invoiced – use Square Credit Card for payment
      - 8. Tarleton gets all of our students in a two-hour block on Friday (Director's meeting)
  - b. Instructional Sessions
    - i. Not needed for this year's Festival since there is so much overlap
    - ii. Remember session idea for future Festivals when shows cannot be done back-to-back
  - c. Judging Criteria
    - i. More should be provided in writing
      - 1. Should be a constructive "Tell Me Why" ideology
      - 2. More roundtable/More conversation
      - 3. Marathon attitude - set your standards and stick to them
      - 4. Don't skimp on awards - this is NOT limited to any certain number
      - 5. We need POSITIVES and CHALLENGES – not a march-though of the show
    - ii. Chairs or Tables/Chairs in a circle – avoid the past paradigm of respondent "down front"
    - iii. Call it a FORUM
    - iv. Have One Acting/Directing respondent & One Tech respondent
      - 1. Acting/Directing is secured – Joe Allen Brown (Texas Wesleyan)
      - 2. Secure a Tech respondent
        - a. Dr. Robert ShemCo (UoH)
        - b. Kevin Rigden (UoH)
        - c. Faculty Member (SFA)
        - d. Judd Vermillion (formerly TCU)
        - e. Philip Johnson (Texas A&M-CC)
        - f. Michael Burnett (ASU)
    - v. Exit Interviews from Fantastic Past Respondents
      - 1. Bill Gelber
      - 2. Bill Doll
      - 3. Scott Shattuck
      - 4. Nancy Jo Humfeld
      - 5. Terry Lewis
      - 6. Don Luna
    - vi. Awards should be handed to Secretary immediately following the Forum each morning

- d. Founder's Awards
  - i. Roll-over from Fall of 2014 - Brad will be point person
    - 1. Jim Mammarella
    - 2. Wayne Tune
    - 3. Jerry Powell
    - 4. Terry Ogden
    - 5. Kathy Huvar
  - ii. Sheleigh Carmichael's name not on 2012 Weatherford listing of Founder's
  - iii. Awards - check inventory and order what is needed

- ACTION ITEM** – Skiles & McVean will plan a site visit for a Friday in November
- ACTION ITEM** – Skiles will contact local restaurants about Box Lunch for Thursday & Friday
- ACTION ITEM** – McVean will talk to Holtorf about feeding students during recruit session/tour on Friday
- ACTION ITEM** – Skiles will write out new “Respondent’s Guidelines” and submit to group via email
- ACTION ITEM** – King will contact potential Tech Respondents
- ACTION ITEM** – Skiles will create exit interview and contact past respondents for completion
- ACTION ITEM** – Nies will contact potential Founder’s Awards recipients
- ACTION ITEM** – Skiles will add Carmichael to website
- ACTION ITEM** – Skiles will check award inventory & contact McVean & King about ordering more

- V. Play Festival 2017
  - a. Dates – March 1-March 4, 2017
  - b. Location
    - i. Del Mar-Corpus Christi- Kim Frederick
    - ii. Panola College-Karen King

Skiles moves to approve list, second by Gengo, motion carries

- c. Respondents
  - i. To be discussed at the Spring Play Festival meeting – March 2016

- ACTION ITEM** – King will contact Del Mar College-Corpus Christi

- VI. Amending Constitution
  - a. Wording in several sections (Constitution, Section V & VIII; Rules, Section IA) should be aligned to indicate the ability of the organization to vote at ALL MEETINGS
  - b. Secretary will make the necessary wording changes

Schultz moves to approve, second by Gengo, motion carries

- VII. TETA/CU
  - a. Please attend TETA – Dallas Reunion Hyatt – January 28-31, 2016
  - b. Important updates presented at C/U Interest Meeting - Friday Jan 29
  - c. Please support the Academic Symposium – Friday, Jan 29
  - d. Educator of the Year - move Eric's name forward - Oct 1 deadline

- ACTION ITEM** – Nies will submit paperwork for Skiles’ nomination

- VIII. TTAO/UIIL OAP
  - a. Updates - Karen has panels to fill
    - i. Reed - open
    - ii. Skiles - two slots available
    - iii. Schultz – open
    - iv. Nies – full
    - v. McLarty – open

- b. None of us adverse to judging JH/MS
- c. NEW this year - Contest Manager will COLLECT SCRIPTS then MAIL to judges

- IX. Election of President-Elect (serve 9/15-9/16 – move into President’s position for 9/16-9/17)
- a. Gengo nominates Reed - Lamar-Port Arthur – accepted
  - b. McVean nominates McLarty - WCJC – accepted

Nies moves to cease nomination, second by Corley, motion carries  
King calls the vote, McLarty elected

- X. Election of Treasurer

Debra moves to keep White by acclamation, second by Nies, White re-elected by acclamation

- XI. New Topics

- a. ACGM - what is going away in 2016/2017 – information can be accessed online
  - i. Taking away Practicum 3 hour, leaving Practicum 1 hour
  - ii. Make-up is changing from 2 to 3 hours
  - iii. All Musical Theatre going away
- b. Continuing challenges with ACGM and CORE and gutting of Theatre Curriculum
- c. Future Nomenclature - "Designated Voting Members" – needed to leverage travel for some members
- d. Nies - Shameless plug
  - i. Tell-Tale Heart - 4 person play published by "Next Stage Press"
  - ii. Others - two short plays - also through "Next Stage Press"
- e. Workshop sessions for 2017
  - i. Nancy's contact from NYC - C.J. Crittendon
  - ii. Skiles could do a movement session
  - iii. Niew could do a playwriting session
  - iv. LED technology session?

Schultz moves to adjourn, second by Skiles, motion carries  
Meeting adjourned at 11:57 pm



**TEXAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE SPEECH  
AND THEATRE ASSOCIATION  
TREASURER REPORT  
2014-2015**

<b>9/28/2014 - Beginning Balance:</b>	<b>\$3602.37</b>
<b><u>Income:</u></b>	
<b>Deposits:</b>	<b><u>\$4270.16</u></b>
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$7872.53</b>
<b><u>Expenses:</u></b>	
<b>Play Festival:</b>	
Sept 13: Brad Nies – Awards and Recognition	\$86.15
Sept 13: Eric Skiles – Website	\$255.58
Feb 28: Jim Rambo – Critic Judge	\$1002.87
Feb 28: Melissa Cunningham – Critic Judge	\$826.58
Feb 28: Eric Skiles – Hotel for Judges	\$904.00
Feb 28: TEAM Laser Design – Trophies	<u>\$382.50</u>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$3457.68</b>
<b>Current Funds available:</b>	<b>\$7872.53</b>
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b><u>-\$3457.68</u></b>
<b>9/09/2015- Total Ending Balance:</b>	<b>\$4414.85</b>

Respectively Submitted,

Sherri Ryan White  
Treasurer – TCCSTA  
LSC-Tomball  
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ATTACHMENT #2

TCCSTA Play Festival 2016  
Initial Master Schedule

	Wed, Mar 2	Thurs, Mar 3	Fri, Mar 4	Sat, Mar 5
8 am – 10 am		Play #1 FORUM Workshop Theatre	Play #5 FORUM Workshop Theatre	Play #9 FORUM Workshop Theatre
		Play #2 FORUM Workshop Theatre	Play #6 FORUM Workshop Theatre	Play #10 FORUM Workshop Theatre
		Play #3 FORUM Workshop Theatre	Play #7 FORUM Workshop Theatre	Play #11 FORUM Workshop Theatre
		Play #4 FORUM Workshop Theatre	Play #8 FORUM Workshop Theatre	Play #12 FORUM Workshop Theatre
		Show #5 PREP Auditorium	Show #9 PREP Auditorium	
10 am – 12 pm		Show #5 SHOW Auditorium	Show #9 SHOW Auditorium	Shows #1-#4 Tech Presentations 10:00-11:00 pm
12 pm – 2 pm		Show #6 PREP Theatre	BUSINESS MEETING	AWARDS Auditorium 12:00 pm
		BOX LUNCHESES On CAMPUS	Students Meet with Tarleton IMPROV GROUP	
		Shows #1-#4 Tech Presentations 12:00-1:00 pm		
2 pm – 4 pm		Show #6 SHOW Theatre	Shows #5-#8 Tech Presentations 2:00-3:00 pm	
	Show #1 PREP Auditorium	Show #7 PREP Auditorium	Show #10 PREP Auditorium	
4 pm – 6 pm	Show #1 SHOW Auditorium	Show #7 SHOW Auditorium	Show #10 SHOW Auditorium	
	Show #2 PREP Theatre			
6 pm – 8 pm	Show #2 SHOW Theatre	DINNER BREAK Off-Campus	DINNER BREAK Off-Campus	
	Show #3 PREP Auditorium	Show #8 PREP Theatre	Show #11 PREP Theatre	
8 pm – 10 pm	Show #3 SHOW Auditorium	Show #8 SHOW Theatre	Show #11 SHOW Theatre	
	Show #4 PREP Theatre		Show #12 PREP Auditorium	
10 pm – 12 am	Show #4 SHOW Theatre		Show #12 SHOW Auditorium	