

Minutes of Big Bad Wolf Children's Theatre Company

18 October 15

Dobbie Hall, Larbert

Present: Grant, Agnes, Iain, Claire, Laura, Tracey, Gemma, Emma, Hilary, Fiona, Shirley

Apologies: Stuart

Agenda Item	Action
Welcome and Apologies	Grant has had no word from Steven. Grant welcomed everyone to this short meeting.
Tickets	<p>Ticket prices will remain the same as last year. We will make some tickets available for sale online this year. Iain is ready for online group sales (Jason Taylor is Community Trust contact for online sales for general tickets). Tickets will go on sale to members from 24 October. Agnes has informed the Box Office of sale dates and they are ready.</p> <p>Fiona said we need to tell the Box Office to make Balcony tickets available for sale immediately. Agnes will let Box Office know.</p> <p>Agnes will speak to Sheila regarding tickets for her to sell at NRG.</p> <p>Claire checked the local papers and online but there are not many contact details for local groups. Shirley will forward the contact emails she has and the template letter to Claire. Claire will print and distribute letters.</p> <p>Agnes has tickets blocked for her large group. 50 – 60 tickets for Saturday Matinee. Carers tickets should be included in the block.</p>
Activities from October until December	<p>Fundraising – Fiona has 16 and 21 December from Tesco in Redding for Carol singing this year. No word back from Asda yet. Fiona suggested that a maximum of 15 kids per Carol singing session at the supermarkets. Gemma said that the Falkirk Wheel had asked if the kids wanted to sing there one Saturday when the Santa boat trips are on. We would be able to have fundraising buckets there. Also they have offered to put up a banner again this year. Gemma will check what dates are available. Fiona suggested each child in The Company is asked to attend one Carol singing event as well as the Falkirk Light switch on. No word from the Howgate on dates for Carol Singing this year.</p> <p>Programme - Iain said that there is no price printed on the programme this year so we can carry forward the decision on programme pricing. It cost £600 for 1000 programmes.</p> <p>DVD's – Iain has 50 copies run. Agnes said orders are coming in. She will send out another reminder in a couple of weeks.</p> <p>Stage Management – Fiona had contacted Opus. They are happy to have company parents helping. They can provide a Stage Manager and team as required. Payment would be a bottle of spirits for Stage Manager and beer for team. We'd build our own set. Iain is concerned as Opus may not be reliable. They haven't turned up to LAMP productions in the past. Hilary is concerned that more people may leave if things change. Fiona stressed that no one person is bigger than The Company. The Company cannot afford to gift lots of extra people. If one extra person receives a gift there are many other people who have no ties to The Company and are just as deserving. Currently there are at least 5 people</p>

	<p>not related to The Company helping at the workshop. It was felt that we should ask Blair, again, to train a parent as Stage Manager. Grant had approached him last year but it didn't happen. Fred trained Karen Houston last year to cover for him this year. Fiona suggested an Open Night at the workshop to encourage more parents to get involved. We need to involve new members' parents to get involved.</p> <p>Workshop – Hilary will email FDACC about the condition of the workshop. The glass has slipped in the door and she is worried it will fall out on top of someone. Iain will take new photos of the damage on Monday to forward with Hilary's email.</p> <p>Hospitality – To be carried forward.</p>
<p>AGM</p>	<p>Agnes currently has no new volunteers to join the committee. Agnes will send high priority text again tonight asking for volunteers. We will have 7 committee members so 8 places available, although Fiona wishes to stand for re-election. . Lynn McConachie, Rebecca Anderson and Hilary will have stalls selling their products at the AGM. Shirley will buy coffee, tea etc. for the Coffee Afternoon. We will have access to the Rotary Hall from 12 noon to set up Cake and Candy etc. Agnes will email out to ask for donations and to advise of start times. AGM will start at 2.30pm. Cake and Candy will be open from the start of rehearsal.</p> <p>Hilary, Grant and Iain have intimated that they will not be standing for re-election. Hilary will continue as Set Designer.</p> <p>The charities are coming to rehearsal on Friday night to receive their cheques from bucket collections. Emma confirmed that there is £1000 to be split between the charities. Agnes has contacted the Herald but there was no guarantee of a photographer being available.</p>
<p>AOCB</p>	<p>We received an email from Frightened in Falkirk asking if The Company would be interested in taking part in their event. It was felt this was very late notice and we have no interest in taking part in the event.</p> <p>Update of new Town Hall – It is now proposed to build a 500 seat venue, with 1000 parking spaces, attached to the new college building at Middlefield. The current Town Hall is due to be closed in 2017. There could be a gap of a year between the old building closing and the new one opening. The local theatre companies felt that a flying tower would still be required but this is likely to cost £1m. The proposal for the new building will go before the council in December.</p> <p>Agnes has received an email from a Dunfermline company offering us the hire of any of their set from their production of All Shook Up. Agnes will email the company to enquire if we can hire their motorbike, as long as it wasn't a real one. Iain had concerns about health and safety and said it would not be possible to use a real motorbike.</p>

Meeting closed 3.15pm.

Next meeting AGM on 25 October.