# Minutes of the Whangarei Theatre Company Executive Committee Meeting Held at Riverbank Centre on 26 September 2016

The meeting commenced at 6.38pm.

**PRESENT:** Eilean Rawson, Tane Davis, Gayle Dowsett, Marjorie Bowdler, Daniel Briggs, Kathleen Cobbald, Michelle Briggs, Penny Mashlan.

**APOLOGIES:** Barbara Trimmer, Francis Spencer. Graham Franks, Clair Montgomery, Ian Page, Pamela Black, Ringi Smith.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:	ACTION
<b>MOTION:</b> Marj moved and Tane seconded that they be accepted as a	Change Clair as
true and correct record of the meeting. Carried	present.
MATTERS ARISING – Task Sheet	
WDC Car Park Lease Honorary Solicitor consulted, next step	Eilean / Marj
President and Secretary to attend for signing contract.	
<b>MOTION:</b> Eilean moved and Michelle seconded that we use the	
official seal of the Society to finalise the Lease from the Whangarei	
District Council. Carried.	
• It was agreed that should there be a fee for this service from the	Graham
Honorary Solicitor then the Society will pay for it.	
No result from members / executive re a cleaner. Decided to post	
an advertisement on the Facebook Situations vacant. Hours and	Kat / Barbie
duties refer to Barbie, include her email address for first point of	3.6
contact. If no result in two weeks place an advertisement in local	Marj
community papers.	E9 / C 1
Strategic Plan circulated, now to be sent out to membership for	Eilean / Gayle
perusal and comment.	
Health & Safety membership meeting held, some amendments,	Moni
now circulated to Committee.	Marj
• Sutherland Security interactions concerning the activation and their	Marj / Graham
response to alarms. No longer to pay any more patrol visits.	Maij / Granam
• Eric Adams – Sound Cave – deferred attendance as both Ian and	Marj
Ringi not available for this meeting. Book him for the next	1VIAI J
meeting.	
Air conditioner health & safety rails and walkway, awaiting quote	
from Guyco; a fuller report from Airzone received detailing their	
proposed actions. We will await quote from Guyco. Marj to try to	Marj
negotiate a sponsorship deal with logo in programmes and	<b>.</b>
advertising and complimentary tickets.	
Seek clarification from Airzone and Guyco that all necessary	Marj
equipment needed to install the safety rails; walkway and hatch are	
included in their quote, for example if a crane / scaffolding / cherry	
picker are needed.	
Roles & Responsibilities need to be changed for Production  Management Stage Management to Health & Software and the notice	Ian
Manager and Stage Manager for Health & Safety as per the policy.	
Roles and Responsibilities for Production Manager and Heads of	

Departments for a show regarding budget and receipts process.	Ian
<ul> <li>Roles and Responsibilities for Production Manager that they are</li> </ul>	
expected to attend monthly Executive meetings to report on	Ian
progress of a show, update financial receipts / any concerns.	
<ul> <li>Metal strips have ben purchased and fitted to aduditorium steps.</li> </ul>	
Thanks Ian, looks great.	
<ul> <li>Mechanisms to toilet cisterns not yet reported on status.</li> </ul>	Ian
<ul> <li>Foundation North Bequest pamphlet once the wording has been</li> </ul>	
decided, send to David T to design.	Pamela / Penny
Wall box for Production Managers –suggested and approved that	Daniel
we could use the existing box, and relabel sections to include a	
space for Production Manager receipts.	
Greater understanding was provided regarding the Treasurers	
concerns over the performance auditing when he learnt about the	Eilean / Graham
financial incidents surrounding Little Shop of Horrors. The	Zirean / Granam
President has contacted MTNZ notifying them. The committee	
appreciated this knowledge and concur with the Treasurers	
concerns.	
• A paper trail for all financial decisions is imperative and the	All
Treasurer needs to be kept informed and updated.	All
<ul> <li>Michelle reported that a gardener has volunteered her time to</li> </ul>	Michelle
maintain the gardens. Arrangements to be finalised this week.	Whenene
Graham circulated the monthly financial accounts.  MOVED: Penny moved and Kat seconded that cheques, electronic payments and DDs for August, totalling \$32,551.09 be approved for payment.  Carried	
Matters Arising	
<ul> <li>Michelle requested that the payment to Origin is made as soon as</li> </ul>	
possible as it is holding up future planning commitment with them.	Graham / Michelle
<ul> <li>Splitters – we are not aware that the invoice has been received, nor</li> </ul>	
the amount or if it has been paid.	Ian / Graham
<ul> <li>The committee attending this evening meeting is not aware of any</li> </ul>	
further outstanding invoices.	
CORRESPONDENCE:	
Inward	
• Airzone outlining in more detail what is required to be done.	
Outward	
• nil	
GENERAL BUSINESS	
• Health & Safety Policy is approved by the committee.	<b>T</b> 1/1 0 C 2
MOTION: Marj moved and Michelle seconded that the Health &	Health & Safety
Safety team be allowed to spend up to \$300 on hazard signs and safety	team

equipment so far identified in the kitchen and Hatea Room and a Work Safge Incident template Book to meet the legislated requirements of the Health & Safety Act.

Carried

### Rubbish

MOTION: Ian moved and Tane seconded that the committee authorises up to \$200 to take rubbish to the dump in October. **Carried** 

Ian

### • Bar Stock

MOTION: Ian moved and Penny seconded that the committee authorises spending of up to \$500 for bar stock in October.

Ian

# THREE PILLARS

#### Eilean

• The Fire Service – Evacuation: Ian has completed a form with himself as the Fire Officer and it was agreed that Front of House would be the Assistant.

Ian / Gayle

• **Bereavement Meg Legg** – tribute was paid to Meg for her long standing support and attendance of Whangarei Theatre Shows.

MOTION: Eilean moved and Tane seconded that we send flowers and a bereavement card for Carol Freebairn up to \$60. **Carried** 

Marj

Michelle

#### Tane

- Bar Manager for Arts on Tour 222<sup>nd</sup> October has been confirmed.
- Kitchen will be covered by Michelle and friends.

MOTION: Tane moved and Michelle seconded that up to \$100 is approved as food stocks for Arts on Tour and Vicar of Dibley.

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#### Carried

- Vicar of Dibley Production Manager attended the meeting:
  - Confirmed budget as per last meeting plus the Rights of \$150 per show. Total \$8,400.

MOTION: Tane moved and Marj seconded that we accept a total budget of \$8,400 for Vicar of Dibley. **Carried** 

- It was discussed that, especially for big shows, we should investigate the use of an order book controlled by the Production Manager for purchases.
- Rehearsals are moving along, only the last two scenes to be set.
- The revolve is in use tonight with the cast being made aware of necessary precautions.
- o Props are now being sourced and will be in use soon.

# Gayle

- Front of House for Arts on Tour will be arranged for hostess and an usher.
- Gayle asked for an update on Forward Planning meetings which she would like to attend. It was confirmed that there is one being planned for next week, just awaiting confirmation that others are

Gayle

Tane / Gavle

<ul> <li>able to attend.</li> <li>Gayle recommended that a template could be made for people wishing to offer themselves as directors for future shows that they are proposing.</li> </ul>	Tane
The Meeting closed at 8.35pm  Next Meeting 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 6.30pm	See Addendum below

Signed		Dated 24th October 2016
Eilean Rawson	President, WTC	