

USITT Northern Boundary Section Officer/ Board of Director's Meeting

Meeting began at 2PM July 14th.

New members were introduced.

Members physically present: Brian, Corey, Jean, Caitlin, Peter, and Matthew

Members digitally represented: Lisa, David, Tiffany, Jordan, Alica, and Scott

1st Topic

New member options documents discussed.

Brian described the new member options. Goal is to blend the membership options with different levels of advertisements. Information will be attached to part of the newsletter. Measure was voted on. Unanimously approved. It will be in place for the new fiscal year.

2nd Topic

Corey described the new by-law changes. Revised By-Laws will be submitted under Tiffany's name (as secretary).

Article 2 Section A - was clarified as added language.

Peter made a motion to approve the amended by-laws. Jean seconded the motion.

The changes will go in the newsletter and will be voted on by membership.

3rd Topic

The Shakespeare folio will be at UMD. UMD is gathering Shakespeare-themed visual images (renderings, etc.) for a display around the folio (similar to cover-the-walls). The folio will be at UMD beginning October 6 for 3 weeks. The design exhibit will be up until September. People interested in displaying their work can contact Arden at UMD in the next 3 weeks to submit.

Arden's email was read to their group. Here is the section pertaining to the exhibit:

"Alicia will be mentioning the Shakespeare First Folio exhibit opening Oct 6th at the Tweed Museum of Art on the UMD campus. This will be the only showing of the First Folio in Minnesota. The Folio remains in Duluth for only three weeks. However the design exhibit that surrounds the Folio will stay up through December. The design exhibit will comprise of a collection of Shakespeare Costumes from various theaters in the northland/Minnesota. We also want to collect photographs, sketches, models, etc. of Shakespeare production work by the members of NBS. There will be an e-mail call for designs, photo facsimiles, memorabilia of any or all productions that have been produced in the Northern Boundary Section. These designs maybe from current or historic productions. We will want all entries to be sent to me electronically in the next month and a half, so we can create a 23'-0" wall collage of Shakespeare productions in the Northland. Please no original work will be exhibited. Please include all artistic staff in a credit line. If you can not supply any digital media before the Fall Workshop at Hamlin, you will be welcome to bring photo presentations to the Cover The Walls exhibit."

It is unclear if only Minnesota submissions are requested or if anyone from the section can submit. Arden is being contacted to clarify.

4th Topic

Fall Conference Sept 16 - 17 at Hamlin University in MN

Friday Night will include general membership meeting to vote on by-laws.

Sessions in the works:

- Hands on session on pneumatics
- Lighting vendor to talk about LED lighting instruments
- Makeup Artist from Norcostco to do an airbrush makeup demo. There is a 16 seat airbrush makeup set up at Hamlin
- "Technical Tools of the Trade" group. Possibly involved. Educational outreach team. Scenic painting, welding, etc.
- Bill Wallace from Hamlin will be doing a session on Jewelry making

Possible Session Topics

- Thermo-plastics in props and costumes
- Scenic painting workshop
- Social media marketing and responsibilities, union laws, and copywriter laws, etc.
- Portfolio reviews
- A tour of the Guthrie or Ordway. Also a possibility of getting a group to go see the production at The Guthrie, or The Ordway.

Suggestions

Alicia: create form for members to submit session ideas - for members who wish to lead sessions.

Tiffany and Alicia: Social media session would be a good group session for everyone on Saturday night.

Jean: Possibly split social media session between Friday night and Saturday
After some discussion it was determined that it may be better to condense the social media presentation to one day.

Encourage students to submit art for "Cover the Walls" - 3 USITT scholarship are awarded to students who submit art.

Could use Eventbrite to encourage people to RSVP for the fall conference.

Food

We would like to have a social mixer with food on Friday night.

5th Topic

Membership Committee: Needs to be started to bring in new members.

Everyone was in favor of starting the committee. Corey is contacting a possible chair. Matthew and Jordan expressed interest in being involved in the committee.

6th Topic

News: SDSU is has broken ground on a new fine arts building which will include a new theatre space.

Jean motioned to adjourn. Matthew seconded. Meeting concluded at 3:47PM

Secretary pro tem: Caitlin Quinn