



**Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 8 February 2011 at 12 Rupert Lane,
Henley on Thames**

Present:

Gareth Jones, Hilary Tucker, Beryl Lawson, Fred Lawson, Mel Petch, Pam Hudgell, Angela Cadman, Harriet Thomas, Mark Manson

In attendance:

Neill Wilkinson, Cheryl Milne, Becky Ilderton, Pam Caudle, Simon Classey

Committee apologies:

Angela Jones, Liz James

Apologies from members:

Pip Collings, Rosemary Appleby, Marc Killick, Neil McAdam

The meeting opened with thanks to Mel for hosting and we all wished Mel a very happy birthday.

An invitation to this meeting had been sent to all adult members and we welcomed those attending – also recorded apologies from those members who had wanted to attend, but who were unable to.

Agenda item	Action
<p>1. Pantomime Review</p> <p>The consensus was that this had been a successful Pantomime!</p> <p>Gareth gave a vote of thanks to the directors, Becky and Pam, which was endorsed by all present. Feedback on this Panto had been very positive, so well done all round – a good event!</p> <p>There had been more casting issues than normal this year, and Pam and Becky had done really well to overcome these and 'keep the show on the road'. It was felt that it had really 'come together' at the end, and that there were some very strong characters.</p> <p>Gareth reported on the financial aspects of the Panto (report attached to the original minutes). He had aimed for a neutral budget, but the production had actually made a profit (see below).</p> <p>There was discussion around the fact that not all tickets had been sold this time, and possible reasons for this. There had been some negative comments from a few members of the public re ticket prices. Competition with the Shiplake Nativity could also have been a factor.</p> <p>Gareth went through the figures in detail at the meeting. In particular, ticket revenue had been down, but costs were well within budget and bar sales very</p>	

<p>good. A healthy profit of about £900 had therefore been made (see Panto accounts sheet for details).</p> <p>Some additional Panto expenditure was authorised – cost of one week extra for trestle hire + £110 for donation to the Shiplake Nursery and cleaner.</p> <p>The committee thanked Gareth for all his hard work on the accounts and finances.</p> <p>Neil McAdam will be organising an adult Panto cast and crew meal. Mark will liaise with Neil re this as Neil was unable to be at the meeting. As a minimum, we need a night when the directors and stage manager can attend. It was agreed that £40.00 from the Shaddo budget will be used towards the meal.</p>	<p>Mark and Neil M</p>
<p>2. AGM 2011</p> <p>It was agreed that this will be held on Monday 14 March 2011.</p> <p>Mark will organise the venue (e.g. Shoulder of Mutton or similar pub) and confirm with Hilary for the notices etc.</p> <p>Mark will book some food (nibbles) - £50 was authorised for this.</p> <p>Hilary will send out the formal notices as per the constitution and collate nominations etc. Then draft agenda etc.</p> <p>The nominations and agenda etc will need to go on the website in due course.</p> <p>Gareth will check the insurance policy (or with the insurers direct) to confirm whether it is necessary, for full cover, for people to actually be paid up members – this may affect discussions of future membership structure and subs.</p>	<p>Mark, Hilary</p> <p>Hilary</p> <p>Gareth</p> <p>Gareth</p>
<p>3. Future productions 2011</p> <p>No dates had yet been booked – the projected play evening dates for May 2011 were not available.</p> <p>Various ideas were discussed – e.g Becky proposed a burlesque evening with a French cafe theme. Becky also indicated an interest in providing drama days (whole or half) for young people teaching them about costume, make-up etc as well as acting skills.</p> <p>Harriet suggested workshops for young people (e.g. stage fighting workshop).</p> <p>Other ideas were also discussed but ultimately this will be for the new committee after the AGM.</p> <p>There was much discussion on publicising Shaddo more widely (e.g. via a flyer in with the newspaper delivery) and the use of website, MySpace and Facebook etc.</p> <p>It was felt that Shaddo could be more 'visible' (e.g. by attending the Shiplake</p>	

<p>Carnival).</p> <p>It was felt important for the new committee to be in place with fresh ideas for new events in 2011-2012.</p>	
<p>4. AOB</p> <p>It was agreed that Shaddo would put on another workshop for the Shiplake Primary Auction of Promises. Pam would find out possible dates from Penny – Penny would probably be able to do this in April 2011. Gareth would liaise with Pam and Penny to sort out a date – maybe a Sunday. This would be for up to 12 children as before. Hilary and Beryl offered to help and to provide refreshments.</p> <p>Gareth proposed that we offer to pay the MHC for the tower storage – to clean + to pay an annual fee. It was agreed to propose £100 pa. Gareth will approach the MHC re this and take it forward.</p> <p>Beryl and Fred offered to host play reading events at Riverlawn (e.g. in the summer)</p> <p>Pam said that the British Legion would like a MM in the Autumn.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.05pm.</p> <p>The next meeting will be the AGM.</p>	<p>Gareth, Pam, Hilary, Beryl</p> <p>Gareth</p>