

# **Agenda for Community Players of Salisbury's Board Meeting on April 9, 2025**

## **Call to Order**

## **Approval of Minutes from March 2025 meeting**

## **Treasurer's Report**

## **President's Report**

## **Committee Reports**

Concessions: Brenda Allen

Facilities Management: Ken Johnson

Fundraising: Matt Bogdan (submitted)

Grants: Matt Bogdan (submitted)

Historical: Bonnie Bosies

Hospitality: Rusty Mumford

House: Betsy Metzger (submitted)

Lifetime Achievement Awards: Sharon Benchoff

Marketing: Rusty Mumford

Membership: Melissa Dasher (submitted)

Nominating: Sharon Benchoff (submitted)

Patrons: Kel Nagel

Performance Space: Kel Nagel

Production: Darrell Mullins (submitted)

Program: Tom Robinson

Program Advertising: Tom Robinson

Publicity: Pete Cuesta

Scholarship: Lynne Bratten

Season Tickets and Box Office: Rusty Mumford

Social Media: Kim Cuesta

### **Old Business**

1. Veronique Diriker shared a Power Point presentation with tips and best practices for holding a capital campaign. She also shared information on establishing a Nonprofit Partner Fund with the Community Foundation.
2. Roof repair approved.
3. Production committee submitted recommendations for next season main shows.
4. Other old business

### **New Business**

1. *I Hate Hamlet*
2. *The Importance of Being Earnest*
3. *WWII: Heroes of the Eastern Shore*
4. Youth Workshop
5. Capital Campaign
6. Wants and Needs of the theater
7. Discussion and vote for shows for next season
8. Other new business

**Next meeting is May 7, 2025, at 7 p.m. (tentative time)**

**Adjournment**

## **Committee Reports for April 9, 2025**

Concessions - Brenda Allen

Facilities Management - Ken Johnson

### **Fundraising - Matt Bogdan**

1. The Spring Craft and Vendor Fair was held March 29 and raised approximately \$2,000. Thanks to Wendy Stever, Konner Stever, and Shelbie Thompson for coordinating the event. Thanks also to David Allen for his work on setting up the field for parking and vendor booths, to Rusty and Becky Mumford for manning the Players' booth, and Bonnie Bogdan for helping me with the auction. Thanks to anyone who assisted with this fundraiser.
2. 50/50 raffles were held at the *I Hate Hamlet* performances this past weekend and raised \$310. The raffles will be held this upcoming weekend, as well. Thanks to those who helped with the raffles.
3. The fundraiser *WWII: Heroes of the Eastern Shore* will be held at the Community Players' Theater on May 16 at 7:30 p.m. the American Legion in Princess Anne on May 17 at 2:00 p.m., the American Legion in Easton on May 18 at 2 p.m., the American Legion in Ocean City on May 24 at 2 p.m., the American Legion in Salisbury on May 25 at 2 p.m., and the VFW in Cambridge on May 26 at 2 p.m. Admission is free, but the intent is to raise funds via donations and program ads. Please make an effort to secure program ads for this fundraiser (see program ad request letter). The show is a documentary honoring the men and women of the Shore who served during WWII, either at home or abroad. It features dramatic readings, narration, slides, and live music from the WWII band.
4. The next fundraising committee meeting will be held Thursday, April 17, at 7 p.m. at Players. All are welcome to attend.

### **Grants - Matt Bogdan**

1. I updated an application for a Maryland Historical Trust Grant of \$10,000 for a production based on Frederick Douglass' life, which will be held next year if approved. The first application was well received, but the panelists wanted me to provide more information, especially regarding how the production could be brought into the classroom.
2. I completed a final report for the Community Foundation of Eastern Shore grant in which we received funds for door to the new green room.
3. I am happy to report that the Coastal Association of Realtors grant that I applied for has been approved. It is for \$500 and goes toward the Summer Workshop. We have received the funds already,
4. I bought two tickets to the "Let's Do Lunch Arts" luncheon for Salisbury Wicomico Arts Council to be held in June. It is an obligation to do so as part of the grant requirements.
5. I continued to work on the production of *WWII: Heroes of the Eastern Shore*, in which we received \$5000 from Beach to Bay Heritage Area. The production will be held in May at various venues.

Historical - Bonnie Bosies

Hospitality - Rusty Mumford

**House - Betsy Metzger**

I am in need of ushers for Thursday and Saturday. We've been wearing red shirts at the shows, and this seems to be helpful to our guests. Thank you to Matt for purchasing and placing the large floor mat between the outside and inside doors.

**Lifetime Achievement Awards – Sharon Benchoff**

Nothing to report.

Marketing - Rusty Mumford

**Membership - Melissa Dasher**

We currently have 217 members. This includes 20 student members and 197 voting members. Of the voting membership 97 are Patrons.

**Nominating - Sharon Benchoff**

I'll be accepting nominations at the April and May meetings for Board and Officers.

Patrons - Kel Nagel

Performance Space - Kel Nagel

**Production - Darrell Mullins**

The Production Committee plans to meet soon to discuss some issues identified during our meetings. If anyone has concerns about the current process, please share them with me so that I can add them.

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