## Williamsburg Players Annual Membership Meeting August 4, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM by president Hugh Siggins at the James-York Playhouse on August 4, 2013.

**Board Members Present:** Marsha Allen, Miguel Girona, Connie Granger, Kelsey Helmick, Carol Moff, Peter Natale, Debbie Noonan, Steve Olson, Amy Payne, Hugh Siggins

**Board Members Absent:** Becky Krantz, Tony Spunzo

- **1.** There were about 20 theatre members in attendance. This constitutes a quorum. A printed annual report was passed out to all in attendance.
- **2.** Bob Noonan moved and Bob Shea seconded the waiving of the reading of last year's minutes. This passed. Bob Noonan moved and Bob Shea seconded approving last year's minutes. This passed.
- **3.** Hugh summarized his yearly report. First, he thanked the director and cast members of *Annie*. We were able to bring in a lot of people who'd never been here before. He also thanked everyone involved in last year's season, and in particular, wanted to note *Chicago* as a standout show with the incorporation of an orchestra.

This year we are associating with the Christopher Wren Association at William and Mary. They are using our auditorium for 2 classes ®C 1) What's happening at the Williamsburg Players on Sept. 10, 17, 24 from 9:30 ®C 11:30 (27 signed up so far) and 2) Glen Winter's class on Understand Opera on Sept. 12, 19, 26 from 9:30 ®C 11:30 (80 signed up so far). Hopefully this will bring into our space people who've never been here before. They may want to use our space for more programs in the spring.

We are trying to increase our Children's Theatre attendance this year by 50% (had around 100 at each production last year). We have created a committee to help this along consisting of Marsha, Tony and Kelsey.

- **4.** Peter reviewed the financial report for the year. We ended in the black but there were some tough months in the middle of the year. Bob Shea moved and Lynn Schumann seconded approving the report. This passed.
- **5.** Betsy Jo Spence (Scholarship chair) explained the McCulley-Scammon Scholarship program. Her committee this year consisted of Greg Lloyd, theatre professor from CNU, Leeane Rhodes, Colonial Williamsburg's Martha Washington, and Miguel Girona, Williamsburg Players Board member and local actor and director. This year's recipient of the scholarship is Jessica DiPette from Jamestown High School. She will be attending the University of Miami in the fall.
- **6. Board of Director's election:** There are 3 current Board members and 1 new member up for election. These are Connie Granger, Peter Natale, Hugh Siggins and Marsha Allen. Bob Noonan moved the slate. Doug Stewart seconded. This passed.
- 7. Peter presented the new budget. Included in it is \$22,750 to modify the HVAC system so it won't

blow so hard and be so loud. There was some lively discussion that followed with a warning to the Board that they attempt to be as frugal as possible as money is very tight. Lynn Schumann moved to accept the budget. Bob Shea seconded. This passed.

**8.** Bob Shea noted at this time that one of our previous scholarship winners has just graduated from CNU with a double major in theatre and communications ®C Ashley Payne. She is now living in Boston trying to make it in the "Business."

The meeting was adjourned at 3:13 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Debbie Noonan, Secretary