

**NTC Minutes
of Committee meeting held on
Tuesday 9th November 2021 at the Theatre**

Present

Sue Small (Chairman), Moira Cane (Secretary), Fred Johnson (Treasurer), Alastair Callcutt, Paul Evans, Paul Lunnon, Kay Murray, Lee Copp, Dom Thomson
Alastair Norton (Proposer for the VAULT Festival), Jenny Fox (Director of the Misanthrope)

Apologies

Owain Jones, Alex Farrell, Sarah Wenban

Draw for Arch 200 Club (Via Zoom)

September:

1st (42) David Harvey

2nd (71) Nansi Small

3rd (27) Nansi Small

October:

1st (26) Nansi Small

2nd (52) Nansi Small

3rd (53) Nansi Small

SS said that Nansi's winnings would go to Network Theatre. The committee took a moment to remember Nansi and acknowledge the wonderful contribution that she has made to the theatre over the years.

Minutes of 5th October 2021

The minutes were signed off as a true record of the meeting.

Matters arising

AF to arrange another bar training before the Misanthrope goes up.

Chairman's report

The Chairman alerted the Committee to an incident that took place at the After Show party for 4.48 Psychosis. It was agreed that in future Directors must make it clear to cast members at the beginning of the production that they are entirely responsible for any guests that they invite to the After Show party.

4.48 was considered to be a very good production. One member felt it was an 'artistic triumph'. It was well attended. This was good for the theatre and cast but it did have a draw back. There were times when the Green Room was too full giving rise to anxiety about COVID for some volunteers. It was agreed that going forward drinkers are to be encouraged to spread out into the auditorium to allow distance between people. Bar stewards and stage managers/ producers will convey this to audiences. It was also noted that there were not enough FOH and bar volunteers throughout the production. Volunteer recruitment and training needs to become a priority.

SS and MC will meet with AF to devise a programme going forward TBC

Treasurer's report

The current bank balances are:

Main account: £3313.44

Bar account: £2121.07

Main movements:

Income: £10 donation, £10.00, Easy fundraising donation £22.45, £35.00 membership and participation fee Misanthrope, Cash sales 4.48 £28.78 (£15.00 ticket £14.78 programmes), Ticket source net sales of tickets for 4.48 £1962.53
Expenses: £113.76 in respect of the WIFI (2 months), £350.00 License fee to Lambeth Council, £157.95 maintenance various and £16.05 for getting new keys cut.

4.48 expenses have been detailed but not yet paid totalling £176.53

Paid into bar account £178.65 cash bar sales 4.48 which included monies left in till which were presumably for takings during rehearsals. A further £122.20 has yet to be banked.

Still no news on the April to June rent free period. Have assumed we have been granted this so will no longer report unless something happens

Still no news on the possible site survey to be carried out by Network Rail.

There has been a general enquiry from The Little Theatre Guild to see if we would be interested in hosting a regional final of the English-Speaking Unions "Performing Shakespeare" for Key Stage 3 pupils, in May 2022. FJ will progress.

Future Productions

The Misanthrope

Jenny Fox (Director) is pleased with how things are going. Asking the cast to learn lines in advance of the start of rehearsals is paying off. The set design is progressing. Costume will be modern dress.

DT is sharing the marketing with the Director and the Producer (RM).

A photographer is still needed for the production. If one is not found shots from peoples phones will have to do.

PL would be welcome to attend the rehearsal on Saturday 27th if he has time.

2022 schedule

VAULT festival:

The committee accepted Alastair Norton's proposal of a one hander entitled *Misterman* by Enda Walsh. He gave a brief overview of the plot and explained that although only one person would be on stage there would be recordings of 10 other actors. He will do his own marketing. This show will go up during week 2

[1st - 6th Feb 2022](#)

After much discussion it was decided to accept Daniel Carter's proposal of *This is a play* by Daniel Macivor. This show will go up during week 6

[1st - 6th March 2022](#)

SS will contact Daniel Carter to verify that he can get the licence for the play.

The 'read through' for the VAULT festival plays will be on Thursday 25th November

The auditions for the the VAULT festival plays will be on Saturday 11th December and Monday 13th December

It was agreed that Network would have 4 productions following the VAULT festival.

[18th - 21st May 2022](#)

Rebecca Mason will direct her new writing *Incomplete*

[13th - 16th July 2022](#)

Lorenzo Mason will direct *Much Ado About Nothing*

[12th - 15th October](#)

This slot is still to be decided. The Committee are asked to review the submissions detailed on the Google Drive. A decision will then be made at the December committee meeting.

[30th - 3rd December](#)

Paul Evans will direct *Cinderella*

Committee members reports

Diary

Because of his course commitments LC will only be able to meet visiting companies in the theatre on Saturdays.

Marketing

As above for The Misanthrope.

Marketing required for the Social on 18th November (Twitter, instagram and newsletter). A facebook event is already up.

Bar

MC and FJ will do the bar for Mighty Finn on Thursday 9th December.

DT and RM will do the bar for Mighty Finn on Friday 10th December.

7th December is available for non committee members.

AF to organise a bar for the rehearsal on 7th December and also for the Network Social on Thursday 18th November.

Premises and Technical

PE will circulate a report to the committee following the meeting.

FOH and Bar Volunteers

As above.

Reading panel and Events

Network's first social (pub quiz) was on Thursday 21st October. 16 people attended including OJ, 12 of whom took part in the quiz. The winning team donated the prize money to the theatre. The next event is a 'Games night' on Thursday 18th November, starting at 6:30

- 18th November - Games night
- 21st December - Members Xmas party

Membership

There are 81 active members.

Compliance

Nothing to report

Date of next meeting

Tuesday 7th December 2021 at The Wellington Pub. 6.30 pm start.

Meeting closed 9.30 pm

