AACT Region III Membership Meeting
April 19, 2015, 9:00 AM
Lecture Room, Midland Center for the Arts

Board Attendance: Region III Representative Joanne Berry, Secretary/Treasurer Frank Peot, Rich Gannon (IL), Dawna Kornick (OH), Nancy Peska (MI), Steve Hughes (IN) [representing Dottie Peek], Harv Thompson (WI) [representing Lynn Ruhl]

Others Present: Lucinda Lawrence (IL), Christy Frick (MI), Robert Picklesimer (IL), Ted Haun (IN),

I. Call to Order – Region III Representative Joanne Berry
Region III Representative Joanne Berry called the AACT Region III Annual Membership Meeting to order at 9:03AM.

II. Introductions and review of organization – Joanne Berry
Joanne briefly explained the structure and voting procedures for AACT Region III. Those in attendance were asked to introduce themselves and state their home theatre and state. Get well wishes were sent to Dottie Peek for a speedy and full recovery.

III. Minutes – Secretary/Treasurer Frank Peot
Secretary/Treasurer Frank Peot briefly summarized the minutes of the April 2013 Membership Meeting.
MOTION Kornick/Thompson A motion was made by Dawna Kornick and seconded by Harv Thompson to approve the minutes of the April 2013 Membership meeting. The motion passed.

IV. Treasurer – Secretary/Treasurer Frank Peot
Frank reported we have a total of $160 in our treasure at this time. All states except Wisconsin have paid their 2015 dues. Invoices for 2016 will be sent later this year.
MOTION Kornick/Hughes A motion was made by Dawna Kornick and seconded by Steve Hughes to accept the treasurer’s report. The motion passed.

V. New Regional Rep
Rich Gannon nominated Lucinda Lawrence to be the new regional representative to begin her term at the second AACT board meeting in Grand Rapids in June of 2015. Lucinda Lawrence was elected by a unanimous vote.

VI. Drawing for performance order for the Region III AACTFest 2017
Each state representative was asked to draw an egg, which contained the performance order for Region III AACTFest 2017 to be held in Illinois. The performance order will be as follows:

1. Ohio
2. Michigan
3. Michigan
4. Ohio
5. Wisconsin
6. Indiana
7. Indiana
8. Wisconsin
9. Illinois
10. Illinois

Any state that has only one entry will drop the second performance position.

VII. Notes of Thanks

Rich Gannon congratulated Region III on receiving the “wild-card” slot for the national festival. This is the second AACTFest Cycle in which Region III has received the “wild-card” slot. We are to be very proud of this fact. He further encouraged everyone in the region to continue their great participation in anticipation of receiving the “wild-card” slot again.

A resolution of appreciation was extended to all of those involved in making the Region III AACTFest 2015 a success – namely Emily Anderson, festival chairperson, The Midland Center for the Arts, Center Stage Theatre, all of the volunteers and staff, participating companies, adjudicators, and Festival Commission Representative Lori Chase.

Harv Thompson thanked Joanne Berry and Frank Peot for their years of service to the region.

VIII. Next Festival

The Region III AACTFest 2017 will be held in Illinois. They are still seeking a site and dates. Their goal is to provide a festival with the shortest driving distances possible.

IX. Promotion of Nationals

Everyone was encouraged to support and attend the National AACTFest 2015 in Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 23 – 27, 2015.

X. Adjournment

Regional Representative Joanne Berry declared the meeting adjourned at 9:30 AM.

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Secretary/Treasurer Frank Peot