

Executive Committee & Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 4, 2015
SOUTHEASTERN THEATRE CONFERENCE, INC.
Tennessee River Room, Marriott Downtown
Chattanooga, Tennessee
MINUTES

ExCom Members and Board Members in Attendance: President, Jack Benjamin; Program Vice President (Services), Tiza Garland; Past President, David Wohl; Administrative Vice President (Administration), Steve Bayless; Secretary, Adanma Barton; Treasurer (VP of Finances), Duke Guthrie; States Representative (VP of States), Mike Hudson; Divisions Representative (VP of Divisions), Bill Murray (not here) Lynn Nelson (in his place); Executive Director, Betsey Horth; College & University Theatre, Paul Crook – Megan Azar (in his place); Community Theatre, Susan Smith (Lynn Nelson in her place); Professional Theatre, Dewey Scott-Wiley; Secondary School Theatre, Bill Murray (not here); Theatre for Youth, Amie Kisling; Alabama, Neil David “ND” Seibel; Florida, Donna White; Georgia, Dean Slusser; Kentucky, Jeremy Kisling; Mississippi, Joseph Frost; North Carolina, John Friedenburg (not here); South Carolina, Harry Culpepper; Tennessee, Herb Parker (not here); Virginia, Mike Hudson; West Virginia, Gregory Mach

- Call to Order: 3:33pm
- Secretary Barton: Roll Call & Identification of Voting Members
- President Benjamin: Establishment of Quorum
- Acceptance of Minutes from September 6th meeting: Motion from Hudson, seconded Bayless, *minutes approved*

Action Items from ExCom January Meeting

Motion to accept the Halbach manual, passes

Motion to accept the Portfield manual, passes

Motion to accept the Ballew manual, passes

Motion to accept the Behm manual, passes

Action Items from ExCom March Meeting

Accept Rule 4.23: The Young Scholars Award – *passes*

Rule IV.23 The Young Scholars Award. The Young Scholars Award is presented annually by the History/Theory/Criticism/Literature Committee to one undergraduate and one graduate student. Student winners will have submitted papers of scholarly merit to a panel of readers composed of committee members. Winners must attend the annual convention and present their papers in order to receive the Award. Administration of this award is assigned to the History/Theory/Criticism/Literature Committee. (3/4/15)

Change 2.20: Religion & Theatre – *passes*

Rule II.20 Religion and Theatre Committee. The Religion and Theatre Committee is a standing committee which shall consist of those members who express interest in the religion and theatre program of SETC. The chair shall be appointed annually by the President. The duties of the Religion and Theatre Committee shall include, but not be limited to, developing programs for the annual convention and carrying out such projects as may benefit the understanding of religion and theatre in SETC. It is understood that the Religion and Theatre Committee shall ~~be non-sectarian in activity and programming. (3/6/02)~~ **encourage diversity and avoid sectarian preferences in regard to program and activity selection. (3/4/15)**

Establish 2.29: Small Theatre Committee – *passes*

Rule II.29 Small Theatre Program Committee: The Small Theatre Program Committee is a standing committee which shall consist of those members of SETC employed by a College/University having three (3) or fewer full-time faculty in the area of Theatre, or those having an interest in these types of College/University programs. The Chair shall be appointed annually by the President. The duties of the Small Theatre Program Committee shall include, but not be limited to, developing programs for the annual convention, coordinating with the activities of other committees and carrying out such other projects as may benefit small theatre programs and related fields in the SETC region. (3/4/15)

Additional Action Items

Garland – Several Manuals went through revision:

- Small Theatre Program
- History, Theory, Criticism, & Literature
- Cultural Diversity (as it presently stands)
- Acting & Directing (as it presently stands)
- Voice & Speech
- Musical Theatre
- Stage Movement
- Religion & Theatre
- KEAP Manual (changes in section 2)
- Vice President of Services/Programming – President Benjamin recommends to wait on this manual until after new changes take place at end of the conference

Items for Discussion

None

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

President Benjamin announced a full Organizational Business meeting after the Ben Vereen keynote address and asked that all please attend.

Garland announced that on Thursday at noon North Lobby Rotunda there will be a workshop/program for people interested in becoming involved in new ways with SETC.

Bayless motioned to close, Hudson seconded

Adjourn 3:50pm