



## FADS COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2020 online, via Zoom  
commencing at 7:30pm

### MINUTES

**In the Chair via video conference:** Cindy Gray.

**Present via video conference:** Sarah Walker, Ellen Ross, Rowena Laing, Jane Stephenson, Laura Cranstoun.

**Also attending:** Ian Kidd (for initial Roaches Coaches report only).

**Apologies:** None.

#### 1. Welcome

#### 2. Minutes of 22<sup>nd</sup> April and Matters Arising:

##### 2.1. General maintenance & equipment

To remain on agenda:

The red curtains are still creeping back onto the stage @Paul to confirm when this has been resolved.

Bar cupboard in Green Room. @Paul still to redo the locking mechanism.

Box for silver/gold slash curtain. @Paul still to make lid and dispose of pole. 12<sup>th</sup> March he had timber

Lighting board for varilight @Cindy to help Tony

@Cindy to report on deadening of back wall @Paul to remove heater in Green room.

##### 2.2. Miscellaneous

###### 2.2.1. Pouches for radio mics.

Wendy not progressing this until such times as we can resume social club activity. @Rowena to follow up in due course. @Cindy to keep on agenda.

To remain on agenda:

@Laura booster seats for children (need to liaise with Hall Committee too?)

@Sarah to check via Facebook if members have VHS recorder for viewing tapes of old performances

@All Urn

#### 3. Treasurer report

##### 3.1 Finances

Current account £496.78, deposit account £7,204.58.

Main payment from C/A since last month is £475 annual rent for Green Room.

##### 3.2 Membership

Only half a dozen subs have been paid so far for the 2020/21 year. **@Sarah** to send reminder in coming weeks that last year's membership has now expired and anyone involved in play readings and Roaches Coaches must be a member to participate.

## 4. Productions 2019-20

### 4.1. *Housebound – SCDA One-Act Play Festival 2021*

### 4.2. *Spring Musical: Calamity Jane*

#### 4.2.1. *Expenses so far*

**@Ellen** reported £1,565 spent to date: costumes, hall rehearsal hire, licence fee & vocal scores.

**@Ellen** to chase Marissa for mileage expenses.

#### 4.2.2. *General production: is performance at end of October feasible?*

All agreed that, as it looks as though social distancing will continue for some time, the end of October is probably not going to be feasible. End of March 2021 was suggested as a more realistic date. **@Rowena** to email cast to get feedback on this proposal before we inform wider membership and general public.

### 4.3. *Panto 2020 – Kevin & Jeannie*

Depending on how emergence from lockdown plays out, it may be possible to have the panto in January. Otherwise, it seems likely it will have to be abandoned for the winter 2020 season. **@Cindy** to discuss with Kevin and report back to Sarah how he would like to proceed with getting together a production team. **@Sarah** to then email out to membership.

### 4.4. *Roaches Coaches - Ian Kidd's radio play / podcast*

Ian reported that he has had 14 favourable responses so far from members who are interested in participating. He will organize a Zoom read-through in the next couple of weeks, focusing on just one episode.

Ian's brother has some ideas for music.

It was suggested that a recording may be able to take place in the next few months, with a set up that observes social distancing.

### 4.5. *Community events.*

#### 4.5.1. *Abbeyfield Killearn.*

**@Cindy** to keep on agenda.

## 5. General news/planning

### 5.1. *Children in performances*

(To remain on agenda.)

### 5.2. *Committee roles*

**@Cindy** still to have a final check then **@Sarah** to publish online.

### 5.3. *Club facilities & assets – general housekeeping*

(All 5.3 to be kept on agenda **@Cindy**)

#### 5.3.1 *Carpet store*

**@Cindy** to follow up with Tony

#### 5.3.2 *Costume store tidy*

**@Cindy** have a proper look around and all thought it would be a good idea to get new costume team members to have a good look through to see what's there.

#### 5.3.3 *Lighting loft tidy*

**@Cindy** to follow up with Tony

#### 5.3.4 Stage movement

(To be checked with Paul)

#### 5.3.5 Rubber flooring

**@Laura** to talk to Mark at Macrobert once lockdown is over.

### 5.4. Annual Schedule

#### 5.4.1. *Menzies Hall insurance*

In August, **@Ellen** to liaise with Tony and Sam about revaluing our technical assets and check with other insurers regarding joint insurance with the Hall.

#### 5.4.2. *AGM – Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2020, Lesser Hall*

Sarah reported that Lesley Syme had advised that OSCR is encouraging groups to stick to the timescales in their constitutions and hold AGMs via Zoom. All agreed that it is not feasible for us to hold our AGM virtually, given the age and profile of a number of our members – that it would, in effect, be discriminatory and not in the best interests of our membership as a whole.

Sarah also reported she had received just 6 responses from members regarding the Committee's proposals (that the current Office Bearers and Members remain in their roles until such time as an AGM can be held and that we cannot hold the AGM until social distancing guidelines allow us to do so with the membership present in person). All those who responded were happy to proceed as the Committee sees fit, appreciating we are in difficult times. It was agreed that we should keep the proposed September date in place and explore options in due course, depending on how government guidelines.

**@Sarah** to update the membership on the situation at the same time as reminding about subs; **@Cindy** to email Lesley Syme to clarify our position.

### 5.5. Sports Club

#### 5.5.1. *Jotform for social membership*

When our Sports club membership fees are due in September, the **@Treasurer** to get feedback from Sandy on how Jotform has worked and establish how many FADS members actually completed the form.

### 5.6. SCDA

#### 5.6.1. *Stirling District AGM – Sept 2020*

Sarah reported they are intending to hold this meeting by Zoom. The quorum is just 5.

#### 5.6.2. *Membership renewal for 2020/21*

Ellen confirmed our fees of £30 are due in June and that she will probably pay in the next week or two.

### 5.7. Menzies Hall Committee

#### 5.7.1. *Defibrillator training*

Sarah has sent Wendy P list of FADS members interested in training.

#### 5.5.2. *DONM: 16<sup>th</sup> June 2020*

Wendy has confirmed no firm date has been set for the next meeting. She will advise us in due course.

## 6. Growing capacity – future plans for club

*6.1. Refurb of stage area*

*6.2. Grant opportunities*

All Committee members to keep an eye out. **@Cindy** to keep on agenda.

## 7. Communications & Publicity

*7.1. General*

*7.2. Upcoming productions*

*7.3. Update of Club logo*

Sarah showed half-finished updated idea with swagged curtains, which everyone agreed was an improvement on the previous version! **@Sarah** to finish, send to Committee for feedback, then send to Club in due course.

## 8. Social Committee

*8.1. Matters Arising: Matriarch viewing & Journey's End DVD*

*8.2. Play readings (currently via Zoom)*

*8.2.1. Dancing at Lughnasa*

Cindy reported reading last week went well and the play will be finished on Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> June.  
**@Sarah** to send out reminder on Tues 2<sup>nd</sup>.

It was noted that, going forward, Roaches Coaches will take priority over other play reading nights, if necessary.

*8.3. Future plans*

The Casino night, proposed for November, will not go ahead. All planning of future social events while we are under coronavirus restrictions, will be done by the main Committee.

## 9. AOCB

## 10. DONM

It was agreed that, as this was the last meeting of the 2019/20 Club year, we will now break for the summer - although we may reconvene earlier if things change substantially with freedom of movement and we are able to proceed with plans for productions etc.

DONM: **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August, 7:30pm.**

**@Cindy** to send Zoom invitations, unless we are able to meet in person.