

# Meeting Minutes Round Rock High School Theatre Booster Club Date: March 11, 2025

<u>Attendees:</u> Kelly Gumbert, Kayleen Sokol, Anna Nelson, Brett Nelson, Brent Irwin, Paige Morgan, Michelle Cantu, Paula Ferrigno, Burke Crosby, Kelly Condon, Andrea Garcia Sierra, Jennifer Green, Paige Heer, Dipa Kodukula, Deanna Mateo-Mih, Shelley Nelson, Johanna Whitmore and Charles Hobby

<u>Call to Order:</u> President Shelley Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:06pm

**Approval of Minutes:** Approval of minutes dated February 11, 2025. A motion was made by Paige M. and a second by Michelle C. to approve the minutes as presented. The minutes were unanimously approved.

#### **President Report:** - Shelly Nelson

- 11 HAYA Nominations for Something Rotten!
  - Best Lead Performer | Male Category
  - Best Lead Performer | Male Category
  - Best Supporting Performer | Female Category
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  - Best Supporting Performer | Female Category
  - Best Supporting Performer | Male Category
  - Best Technical Execution
  - Best Direction
  - o Best Ensemble
  - Best Choreography
  - Student Achievement | Stage Management
- Link for Something Rotten Sharp Shooters is waiting on the payment from district, once it is available we will send it out. DVD and BluRay copies can be ordered from their website for fee.
- SAT make up day for Juniors March 13
  - Mr Irwin will proctor exam in a room off of the main library starting at 9am.
     Students will get 2 hours 28 mins
- Provide dinner for UIL Saturday rehearsal next year? (It was 2-9PM this year) As long as we get time at the PAC in advance we can offer some kind of meal to the UIL participants.



#### **Director Report:** - Johanna Whitmore

- Frankenstein First UIL is tomorrow. Please park @stadium across the street.
   They should start with first show at 2:30 and RR will probably go on around 4pm.
   Come to Vista Ridge by 3:30 and park across the street because the parking lot will be full with regular school parking. Cost to get in is \$5
  - UIL has 9 shows at district level. There are 3 judges for each show that decide the winners and give awards for outstanding tech, 8 honorable cast, 8 all star cast, and 2 best performer awards.
  - We still need to submit reimbursement for the first license for Frankenstein. If we advance to Area we will need to help with re-licensing for additional performances.
- HAYAs student tickets- We received the full allotment of seats (46).
  - Nominees don't need seats or to pay. (6 actors)
  - Student tickets will be \$25 each
  - o Deanna offered to help if any of the students couldn't pay the \$25.
- Other Updates
  - Directors were notified that booster clubs will need to pay for custodians for their banquets at a fee of \$35/hour. We aren't sure if this change goes into affect this year or next year. The Department may be able to pay the fee this year and we can work the fee into the banquet budget for next year
  - Big thanks to Monica for Frankenstein posters and Kelly C for the Program

#### **Troupe Report:** - Anna Nelson

- HAYA Watch Party February 23<sup>rd</sup> was lots of fun and lots of energy I the room as the nominations came out
- Lighting Workshop March 1st
   – Ford's Theatre was a success, 8 students attended
- Thespian Meeting Might be changed to Tuesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> depending on possible advancement to bi-district. May meeting (possibly May 5<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> will include officer voting/elections.)
  - o Thespian of the month was Eden Green
  - May meeting will be important for election of next year's officers. Potential officers will give speeches and voting will take place.
  - Forms will be sent soon to notify of interest in being an officer. Then another info meeting will happen afterward with those that filled out the form. Officers are announced at the banquet.
- Points collection will be due soon. You can see the number of points you currently have at <a href="https://sites.google.com/view/rrhsthespians/home">https://sites.google.com/view/rrhsthespians/home</a> and selecting



"point" from the dropdown menu. Scroll until you find the spreadsheet and find your name. The form to submit your points is also there.

- 10pts are needed to be inducted into the National Thespian Honor Society
- \$35 to join the Thespian Honor Society
- Continued participation will earn you an Honor Cord at graduation (\$13 for chords, received from Ms Whitmore)
- Possible game or movie night, maybe at Ford's in late April

#### Fundraising Report: - Deanna Mateo Mih & Paula Ferrigno

- Bush's Spirit Night was last week- we received 15% of all sales from 5-8pm
- Upcoming events Amy's Ice Cream Spirit night possibly in May after the production shows (May 1 & 2 @7pm) or the Musical theatre showcase (May 9th)

### **Treasurer Report** - Paige Morgan

- Updates balance \$14,947.07
- Voted to use remaining budget from open house and the party budget to reimburse Shelley for the food for the HAYA watch party. A motion was made by Paula F and second by Deanna. The vote was unanimous and motion passed.
- We would like to figure out how to increase the operating budget so that we can increase the amount of money we give for scholarships.
- We would like to add a grant to help students that have trouble paying for Thespian State. We will need to check bylaws before we can add that to next year's budget.
- Proposed Budget for 2025-2026 See Treasurer report for a complete list of recommended changes to the budget and income vs expenses this year.

## <u>Website:</u> - Burke Crosby (report given by Shelley Nelson)

- Updates
  - Add Calendar items for shows
  - HAYA info has been updated

## **Scholarship:** - Paige Heer

- Committee Burke Crosby, Brett Nelson, Monica Welch, Debbie Lemons, Dipa Kodukula, Kristen and/or Jamie Rogers
- Committee will coordinate their plan soon
- Students will have 2 weeks to apply
- Kayleen will get the list of Senior members to Paige and Whitmore will share the application to the eligible students
- Winners will be announced at the banquet



#### **Upcoming Business**: - Shelley Nelson

- HAYA tickets go on sale March 26<sup>th</sup> at 6pm tickets will go quickly, set an alarm
- HAYA Awards: April 16<sup>th</sup>
- Bylaws meeting for probable adjustments TBD in April (Shelley, Deanna, Monica, Paige M.)
- Banquet- May 10<sup>th</sup> at 4pm. Planning meeting TBD in April (Shelley, Kelly G, Paula, Dipa, Andrea, Monica, and Kayleen)
  - o Nicole will be making treats for the banquet
- 2025 -2026 Booster officers Nominations Committee. Will Vote at the April 8<sup>th</sup> meeting
- Andrea asked who we need to reach out to in order to appeal the decision to no longer allow baked goods at the spring musical.
- Discussed having Trina Martin come and speak at a future meeting to work with her to advocate for our theatre program to make sure we don't lose theatre, shop, or prop storage space with the demolish related to the bond.

#### **Upcoming Dates:**

- Booster Meeting April 8<sup>th</sup> at 7pm
- UIL Zone Competition March 12<sup>th</sup> at Vista Ridge
- UIL District Competition March 28th at Cedar Ridge
- UIL Bi-District Competition April 3rd at Cedar Ridge
- HAYA Awards April 16<sup>th</sup> at the Long Center
- Production shows: May 1<sup>st</sup> & May 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Thespian Banquet: May 10<sup>th</sup> at 4PM RRHS Cafeteria

Meeting adjourned at 8:44pm

Minutes prepared by Kayleen Sokol