

**Minutes of the Desert Theatre League Board of Directors Meeting  
January 8, 2024**

**Present**

Frank Berman – President  
Susan Berman – Vice President  
Derik Shopinski – Treasurer  
Louise Ross - Secretary  
Jonathan Epstein-Brenner – Director  
Michele Davis - Director  
Roger Medanich – Director  
Karen Schmitt - Director  
John Toogood – Director

**Absent**

Charles Harvey, Director

**Call to Order**

Frank Berman called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

**Minutes**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the December 2023 Board meeting.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Derik reported a balance of \$16,645 in the checking account and \$10,376 in the CD.

**Desert Star Awards** Karen reported that there is not yet a date for this year, with the expectation that there will be more information by next month’s meeting.

**Scholarship Report**

Karen reported that she is getting ready to send out notices regarding this year’s scholarship.

**Judging Coordinator’s Report**

John reported that Revolution Stage Co. has already presented seven productions this season and will be presenting 10 one-acts the coming weekend and four productions by the end of this month.

Abe Daniels has submitted a check as a Producing Member for an outdoor venue in the High Desert. John reported that the check will remain undeposited until the location is determined, as there may be difficulty with judges accessing a location accessible only by an unpaved road.

► **Judge Discipline** A letter has been received regarding concerns that a judge is not dressing appropriately and not giving the attention due by a DTL judge at performances. After lengthy discussion, it was decided that John will draft a letter expressing these specific concerns which will be approved and sent.

It was generally agreed that standards for judges will be discussed and amended, if needed, for next year.

**Membership Report**

Susan reported that there are currently 24 producing members and 34 individual members.

**Next Meeting**

The next DTL Board meeting will be at 4:30 PM Monday, February 12, 2024.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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January 15, 2024

Louise B. Ross, Secretary