



• Mills E. Godwin Theatre •



Charter and Bylaws

Short Pump Player's Angels of Godwin High School

Purpose:

To encourage, support, and actively contribute to the growth and continuing development of the theatre program at Mills E. Godwin High School by:

- A. Maintaining close and open communications with the school administration, and the PTA Executive Board;
- B. Communicating as deemed advisable with the Henrico County School Board;
- C. Conducting fundraising activities;
- D. Soliciting contributions of equipment and supplies, as well as time and talent from the community; and
- E. Sponsoring appropriate social activities.

Membership:

Membership is conditional upon one accepting the purpose of this organization, and in addition, a member must meet one of the following criteria:

- A. Current student, faculty member, employee, or family of a student of the school, or any member of the Thespian Society;
- B. An alumnus, former student, former faculty member, former employee, or family of a former student of the school, or any former member of the Thespian Society;
- C. A person who resides or is employed in Henrico County.

Membership dues are as follows:

\$25.00 - Booster Level

\$50.00 - Patron Level

\$75.00 - Dress Circle Level

\$125.00 - Angel Level

Executive Board:

The Executive Board of this association shall consist of all of the elected officers, the principal of the school (or his designated representative), and the director of the drama department (or his designated representative). All board members must be either faculty members or parent or legal guardians of current or former students, or any member of the Thespian Society.

The Executive Board shall meet at least five (5) times from August through May and at least once during the summer months.

The elected officers of the Executive Board of this association shall be as follows:

President

1st Vice President Membership

2nd Vice President Ways and Means (Fundraising)

3rd Vice President Publicity

Secretary

Treasurer

Historian

Webmaster

The standing committees of this association shall be as follows:

Special Activities

Theatre Playbills

Concessions

Costumes

Playbill Ads

Volunteers

Other special committees are to be determined by the Executive Board.

Officers shall be elected annually by a simple majority vote of members present at the May meeting. Their term will begin July 1st. Any vacancies that occur during the year shall be filled by a majority vote of the Executive Board. Standing committee chairpersons shall be appointed by the Executive Board.

The principal or his designee, director of the drama department, and the treasurer shall not be limited as to the number of terms they can serve. All other Executive Board members may only serve two consecutive full one-year terms, in any one position, and three consecutive full one-year terms in any capacity. The immediate past president may be invited to be an ex-officio member of the Executive Board.

Other:

The association shall hold its annual meeting in May and shall hold at least one other general membership meeting during the school year. Other meetings may be held with reasonable notice to the membership.

Only adult members who have paid dues for the current school year may vote.

The financial records and accounts of the association are to be maintained separately from those of any other organization, and are to be independently audited annually. The treasurer shall make a financial report to the membership at the annual meeting in May, and at other meetings as deemed appropriate.

The president may approve expenditures of \$500.00 or less. A majority of the Executive Board must

approve, in advance, expenditures in excess of \$500.00. Any transfer of funds or checks written for \$500.00 or less may be signed by either the treasurer or the president; any such transfer of funds or checks for an amount in excess of \$500.00 will require the signatures of at least two of the following three officers: president, director of drama, and the treasurer.

No part of the net earnings of the association shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes of the association. No substantial part of the activities of the association shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the association shall not participate in, or intervene` in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate or public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the association shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an association exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an association, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Dissolution:

Upon the dissolution of the association, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the court of common pleas of the county in which the principal office of the association or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Discretionary Fund Amendment:

A discretionary fund (in lieu of a Booster-funded Scholarship) will be established annually in an amount to be determined each year by the executive board as a line item in the proposed budget. As its name implies, this Discretionary Fund will be used at the discretion of the Godwin Theatre Department Director to provide financial assistance to students enrolled in the Godwin theatre program. Funds will be available only for theatre-related school activities or expenses. Receipts will be supplied to the Boosters (without any information identifying the student) and reimbursement for the expense will be made to the theatre program director. The theatre director will have sole discretion as to how these funds will be disbursed and as to the financial needs of the recipient, with advice as needed from the Godwin administration and/or Guidance Department.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our names this _____ day of _____,
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Donna Llewellyn, President

Mac Damron, Theatre Director