Panto BGM
Minutes
Tuesday 31st October 2006 – Sue Boyd Room

1. Welcome
   - Apologies: Sarah Joy, Josh G, Carmen, Anna, Mel, Penny’s car “Shithead”.

2. Finance
   - No idea how much money ‘Garry Potter and the Greased Wand’ shows made because Uni Theatres is useless.
   - Everyone shocked and appalled at Dani’s inability to perform simple arithmetic… (It’s ok; she’s blonde and not a real engineer anyway).

3. Storage
   - Panto's accumulation of copious amounts of shit poses a storage problem.
   - The idea of a houseboat mentioned before Penny gets more realistic and suggests the “Panto Barge Fund”. Anne requests that seeing as Panto props are so valuable, and are not simply pieces of painted cardboard, we have sharks with lasers guard the barge (or at least some ill-tempered sea bass).
   - Concluded that we can just give Penny more crap.

4. Elections
   - Those positions that are not being contested are announced: El Presidente ~ Albert, President of Vice ~ Kat, Sexctary ~ Hannah, Producer Extraordinaires ~ Kat and Albert, “Art” Director ~ Mel, Script Collaborator ~ Penny.
   - Nostalgic reflection on time when people had to be forced to be on the committee but Anne defends herself valiantly, “There is nothing wrong with a hand-written budget!”
   - Ivo is shut down, told to “Shut up” before Gopher adds “Forever”. Possibly feeling a little guilty with the cruelty of his comment, Gopher proceeds to shift the blame, “Scotty, that’s mean”. (A very clever choice of scapegoat as it’s becoming blatantly obvious around Panto that fault for almost anything can be attributed to Scotty without too much hassle.)
   - Elections speeches follow;
     - Jewish for Treasurer – Penny points out that “Jews are good with money” but Chelle is not so convinced, “Do you promise not to piss our money away?” Jewish protests, arguing that he is good at maths.
     - Carmen (Miles) for Treasurer – she is well organised and wants to give something back. (Her eagerness to “give back” sparks curiosity as to what she stole in the first place…..)
     - Ash for Treasurer – has the experience and this could prove helpful as most of the other committee members are brand-spankers.
     - Bradley for Web Wench – “If you vote for me, I will vote for you”. (A berry berry sneaky tactic indeed).
     - Karsten for Biscuit Wench – is working fulltime so has lots of money for biscuits. (Amen to that).
     - Rachelle for Biscuit Wench – Gopher, playing the role of the supportive boyfriend, believes Chelle deserves to be elected, justifying this with “I have seen you naked”. Rest of gathering remain slightly
unconvinced with this reasoning so Chelle adds that she will be at TAFE next year so suggests that she might even MAKE the biscuits herself.

- Ivo for Biscuit Wench – highlights his sheer unreliability and successfully reels off every reason why we shouldn’t re-elect him. (Unusual strategy, and not surprisingly, a quintessential example of where something you’ve said can come back and bite you viciously on the arse).
- Nat for Director – has been in two successive Pantos and wants to give back.
- Penny for Director – the current director is short and sweet, “Nat said I did a good job”.
- Richard for Director – can’t really remember what he said as his breath-taking dance to finish his speech left everyone bedazzled.
- Ian for Director – wants to contribute more to Panto as he has been involved for a long time.
- Candii for Stage Manager – a panto veteran who wants to give something new a try (mmm kinky).
- Dani for Stage Manager – another panto veteran who loved this position (hmmm) this semester and would be stoked to do it again.

- Momentous occasion for the history books - first coloured vote is entered by Heshan Fernando.
- Results: Treasurer ~ Ash, Web Wench ~ Bradley, Biscuit Wenches ~ Karsten, Rachelle and Sarah Joy, Co-Directors ~ Penny and Nat, Stage Manager ~ Candii.

5. ‘Gary Potter and the Greased Wand’

- “Bring back the beachball!”
- Everyone warned to lock their doors as Heshan’s scary, groupie “friend” has memorised everyone’s names, faces and bios……
- Show was the right length and everyone loved musical numbers.
- Was proclaimed that Ivo has had his first good idea (ever) but the utter shock resulting from the situation erased the actual content of his suggestion from everyone’s memories.

6. Next storyline

- Ian has great and VERY organised idea to do a mixture of musicals… the prepared handout leads the meeting to unanimously decide (Ian included) that he has WAY too much time on his hands.
- Kat and Ash bemuse everybody with their ability to talk at break-neck speed and finish each other’s sentences…oh, and there was an awesome plotline in there too.
- Penny’s steely resolve remains as she will not allow the next Panto to proceed without her evil Care Bears.
- All such good ideas that it is decided that it will be left to the script-writers to choose the next plotline, however, this could prove to be no easy task with two thirds of the entire Panto membership nominating for the script-writing team.
- Date TBA but somehow Scotty, Anne and Rachelle’s house is nominated as the venue without any of them being present at this discussion.
7. O-Day
   • Albert to organise O-Day, however, seeing as he is constantly jet-setting around the globe and never in the country, Kat gets to do it.

8. After, After Party
   • Friday 17th November at none-other than Scott, Anne and Chelle’s house.
   • Possible themes; Op-Shop Ball, Animals, Bad-Taste Bash, Anything But Clothes (quite obviously suggested by Gopher), What I Want To Be When I Grow Up.
   • Some difficulty deciding as every theme lends itself to Heshan painting himself white. The majority decide that seeing as Panto is, by nature, extremely politically incorrect and often cheap and tactless, they opt for the Bad Taste Bash.
   • Nathan queries whether the party will be in the afternoon or the night as last time it was in the afternoon…concluded that he is still drunk from the Panto Afters 3weeks previous. (Someone should really investigate what they’re putting in Strongbows these days.)
   • BBQ dinner will be provided but it is BYO booze…and Scott points out that for Jewish it is “BYO catheter”.

9. General Business
   • The introduction of a fines system, in which an executive board would be appointed to award fines for various offences, including missing rehearsals. Probably be around $1 per fine and the collected amount used for a piss-up.
   • Ivo criticizes the amount of emails he receives from Panto but he is advised to quit whinging and increase his junk-mail filter. (No more warm-fuzzies for him).
   • Momentarily distracted by Nathan’s impressive goon-bag lifting.
   • Stubby holders for this show if anyone wants to organise it. (No takers, of course).
   • Ivo going over the constitution in study break. (Everyone else has a life.)
: Scott, Gopher, Ash, Shamini, Candii, Nathan, Richard, Heshan (representing the minority), Ian, Jewsh, Bradley, Amy W, Kat, Penny, Ivo, Matt, Josh.