

KVNF Board of Directors Meeting, 15 June 2009, Alpine Re/Max, Montrose

Board members present: Felix Belmont, Don Bailey, Philip Egidi, John Moore, Wayne Wiitanen, Bill Wilson

Board members absent: Janelle Comer, Wiley Freeman, Dennis Grunkemeyer, Cynthia Hines

Staff: Sally Kane

Public: none

Board President John Moore called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

The Board accepted the consent agenda..

Note consent agenda items:

- Minutes of 18 May 2009 meeting as posted on DokuWiki
- General Manager's report for June 2009 as distributed by email
- Financial report (workbook) for May 2009 as posted on the DokuWiki

Sally Kane introduced Mitra of the StoryCorps who gave a brief introduction to the StoryCorps project. StoryCorps is a nonprofit organization that records oral history. It has two airstream trailers with a recording studio in each of them. They like to partner with local public/community radio stations. In addition to creating an oral history by interviewing a person two experiences emerge:

1. The experience of sitting and talking uninterruptedly with someone you like/love for 40 minutes
2. An oral history that is archived, by permission, at the Library of Congress

The StoryCorps trailer will be in Paonia in mid-August for a period of 30 days. Every effort will be made to have the trailer in Montrose for some of this time.

The Board reviewed, discussed and recommended that Kane institute the “Whistle Blower” policy as a station policy.

The Board reviewed the proposed change to the health care benefits section of the policy manual. The new policy is to read:

KVNF does not provide medical insurance benefits at this time due to the lack of affordable options.

Bailey proposed and Wilson seconded a motion to adopt the new policy wording: passed unanimously.

Several issues revolving around Montrose were discussed:

- No new news regarding the PTFP grant request to upgrade transmitters has been received
- A possible Board candidate from the Montrose/greater-Montrose area is desirable
- KVNF needs to improve its communication plan regarding what is proposed for 89.1 in Montrose

The Executive Committee will work on a white paper to serve as the basis for a new 3 year plan.

Egidi reviewed the status of the music digitization project: It is under way and we have adequate time to move the project forward. Egidi stressed that KVNF will, in the very near future, need an Information Technology (IT) / Website specialist on the staff. Belmont suggested that the KVNF IT task-force prepare a presentation to the joint meeting of the Executive and Finance Committees as to what it perceives as upcoming budgetary needs. In addition an informational presentation to the full Board would be appropriate prior to final budget considerations.

Wiitanen reported that the member-listener survey has been completed with slightly over 200 questionnaires returned. The data will be assembled into a database to facilitate querying and report generation. Wiitanen will handle the technical aspects of this project.

No members of the public chose to attend the meeting and therefore there were no comments.

Wiitanen proposed and Bailey seconded a motion to adjourn: passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.

The next Board meeting will be on August 17th in Paonia.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Wiitanen, Secretary