

Board of Directors Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
May 19, 2014

The Iowa Public Radio Board, Inc. Finance Committee met on May 19, 2014, at 2111 Grand Avenue, Suite 100, Des Moines, Iowa. Present for the meeting were Directors Steve Firman, John McCarroll and Doug West. Present from Iowa Public Radio were Myrna Johnson and Kelly Edmister.

Director West called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. Roll call was taken with each member stating their location.

Steve Firman – present at the meeting
John McCarroll – present at the meeting
Doug West – present at the meeting

Based on the responses provided, the requirements of Section 21.8(1)(c) were satisfied and it was appropriate to proceed with the approval of the agenda.

Agenda

Director Firman moved and Director McCarroll seconded approval of the agenda. Motion approved.

Minutes

Director McCarroll moved and Director Firman seconded approval of the December 16, 2013 minutes as presented. Motion approved.

Audit Firm

Edmister reported that the Request for Proposal process had been completed for an audit firm noting that the audit for the Friends of KHKE/KUNI had not been included in the proposal. Edmister noted that two firms had responded to the proposal and provided an overview of each. After a brief discussion, Director Firman moved and Director McCarroll seconded approval of contracting with Cremers, Holtzbauer and Nearmyer, P.C. as the audit firm. Motion approved.

FY15 Budget Review

Edmister presented a draft of the FY15 budget reviewing operating revenue by line item. It was noted that the university allocations and state appropriation were final numbers. The calculation for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting amount was discussed with the decision to use the calculated amount even though history would suggest that the amount received might be higher. The revenue generated from the various fundraising avenues were reviewed by Johnson noting that the Major Gifts budget would be set as work with Isaacson Consulting progressed.

Edmister reviewed the operating expenses by line item. It was noted that the Compensation line item included a 2% merit increase but that information was still needed from each university to finalize the

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FY15 increases. In addition, additions to staff and timing of such were reviewed. Johnson indicated that further work would be completed in this area.

Edmister reviewed the non-operating revenues and expenses by line item. Johnson indicated that significant work was still needed to reduce the current operating loss of \$1.1 million to a manageable amount.

Director Firman inquired about the timeline for completing the FY15 budget. Edmister indicated that the changes discussed would be incorporated into a revised version and presented to the Board of Directors at their May 22 meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:53 p.m.