

The Iowa Public Radio, Inc. Board of Directors met on December 7, 2017, in the Grand View University Student Center, PFG Conference Room C, 2811 East 14th Street, Des Moines, IA. Present for the meeting were Vice Chairman Bob Downer and Directors Vickee Adams, Steve Firman, Mary Kramer, John McCarroll and Julie Monson. Directors Jeneane Beck and Scott Ketelsen attended by phone. Directors Zach Mannheimer, Marsha Ternus and Doug West were absent. Present from Iowa Public Radio were Myrna Johnson, Kelly Edmister, Al Schares, Steve Schoon and Andrea Hansen.

Vice Chair Downer called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. Roll call was taken with each director stating their location.

Jeneane Beck – by phone from Iowa City
Steve Firman – present at meeting site
John McCarroll – present at meeting site

Bob Downer – present at meeting site
Scott Ketelsen – by phone from Cedar Falls
Julie Monson – present at meeting site

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

Vice Chair Downer requested a motion to approve the agenda. Director Firman moved and Director McCarroll seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

Minutes

Vice Chair Downer requested a motion to approve the minutes. Director Firman moved and Director McCarroll seconded to approve the October 26, 2017, minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

Chairman's Report

Vice Chair Downer indicated there was nothing to report.

Old Business

Proposed changes to the 2018 meeting dates were briefly discussed.

Executive Director Report

Executive Director Johnson provided an update on the pledge drive noting that the first morning had been successful including meeting a match provided by the Friends of KHKE/KUNI.

Director Kramer joined the meeting in Des Moines at 1:10 pm.

Johnson provided updates on recent events, changes in staffing and the approval of the WOI/IPR facilities project in Ames by ISU's Capital Projects Advisory Committee.

Director Adams joined the meeting in Des Moines at 1:30 pm.

Johnson reviewed progress to date on the 2017-2022 strategic plan. Audience data for the Spring, 2017 timeframe was compared to the 2015 baseline. Development progress, including number of members, membership revenue, sustainer retention and underwriting, was reviewed. Johnson provided updates on progress in meeting programming initiatives outlining accomplishments and projects for News/Talk, Studio One and Classical. Johnson also reviewed progress towards management services, digital innovation and excellence in technology initiatives.

Schoon and Edmister provided an overview of the IPR network outlining the stations and translators owned by each university, FCC filing requirements, the IBA alternative inspection program and reviewed current leases in place.

Finance Report

Edmister provided an update on the FY17 audit indicating the Finance Committee had met and approved the IPR audit. The audit reports for the stations are currently being reviewed by the auditors.

Edmister reviewed the financial reports through October 31, 2017. Director Firman moved and Director Adams seconded to accept the financial report as of October 31, 2017. The motion was unanimously approved.

Personnel Policy Update

Johnson reviewed a revised version of the IPR Discrimination and Harassment Policy which included updates made by IPR's attorney. Director Kramer moved and Director Firman seconded to approve the revised policy as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

Loan Approve for WOI/IPR Facilities Project

Johnson noted that the business plan for the WOI/IPR Facilities Project included a potential loan of up to \$110,000, which per the bylaws needs approval of the Board. Director Firman moved and Director Kramer seconded approval of a loan up to \$110,000. The motion was unanimously approved.

Adjourn

As there was no additional business, Vice Chair Downer adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.