

KZYY/Z Mendocino Public Broadcasting
Board of Directors Meeting
May 2, 2016
Minutes

Call to order – Meg called the meeting to order @ 6:04

Roll call: Bob Paige, Benj Thomas, Ed Keller, Meg Courtney, Jenness Hartley, Lorraine Dehtor. **Absent:** Clay Eubank

Action Items:

1. Approval of previous board meeting minutes: **May not have been approved. Will do this at next meeting.**
2. Approval of line of credit – presented by Lorraine Dehtor. Vote to approve: Benj, Jenness, Ed, Bob.

Treasurer's report: Lorraine Presented, Clay not present. Meg requested that the reports come earlier so that the board can review them. Lorraine plans to meet with the board once or twice a month to review in the future.

Thanking Departing Board members: Mary Massey spoke for John Sakowitz thanking KZYYX and looking forward to the future. Meg thanked Bob for all of his hard work. Bob spoke about the new board and the new direction of the station.

Seating of new board members: Meg introduced John Middlebrook, Stuart Campbell, and John Azzaro. New members made their introductions.

Nomination of executive and other communities:

President – Stuart Campbell nominated Meg, Jenness seconded. Approved.

Vice President: Meg nominated Jane, John A seconded, approved.

Secretary: Meg nominated Jenness for secretary, John A. seconded, approved.

Treasurer – Meg nominated Stuart, Ed seconded, approved.

Audit committee: Meg is planning on asking Clay, Benj and John M seconded. Approved.

State of the station: Lorraine read her report. Station is currently on track for finances. Fundraising figures reported. David Stephen has majorly increased underwriting recently. Biggest expenses were related to Internet services. Lorraine discussed the need to make sure that the station has access to adequate bandwidth as well as having the station getting more actively involved in lobbying legislators to address this problem. Sherri Quinn is the new news director. Lorraine discussed the need to pay for an office in Ukiah (and discussed how she has been letting the news team use an office that she personally pays for). Lorraine is thinking about hiring a news producer out of Ukiah. Lorraine introduced the idea of renting a facility in Ukiah that has good signal exposure and is reasonable. Lorraine also thanked the Community Foundation for their grant.

CAB report: Benj presented for the CAB. Discussed the possibility of the CAB creating a MOU with the board. Benj summarized the MOU. Meg suggested putting the

MOU on the KZYYX website if it is accepted by the board. Meg and Benj agreed to vote on the MOU at the next meeting.

Public Comment:

Scott Petersen: voiced concern about tax document 990 not being posted or incomplete.

Ana: thanked Lorraine for putting on native news.

Doug McKenty : Also thanked Lorraine for adding Native American news. He seconded Scott about the concern about the 990's and discussed his desire to make KZYYX more of a local community station. He thanked Meg for the audit committee.

Mitch Clough (SP?): Discussed matters of grammar and liability and his history with KZYYX. He expressed hopes that new management be committed to transparency.

Anonymous: Commented about the power of the CAB and transparency. Wants the station to pay the on air DJs.

Mike Grady: Former board member. Spoke to how hard it is to keep a station running and that the station is sounding much better than before. He loves national native news too and the news team. He does not understand why the station is being attacked and plans to support the station for the foreseeable future.

Sheila Tracy: Requested minutes from 2 CAB meetings that she feels should have had minutes. Also asking for the minutes of the hiring committee and feels that she should have been invited to the meeting. Sheila requested that more left leaning shows be played at peak listening times instead of NPR. She requested that the news department involve the community more. She also asks that the GM's contract be reexamined.

Derek Hoyle: Stated that the 14 years that he has volunteered at KZYYX has been a train wreck. He stated that he does not want Stuart Campbell on the board and is planning to pursue the matter through other avenues. Mr. Hoyle is interested in recalling Stewart.

Ana: spoke again. She voiced a desire for diversity of voices on the air. Ana called for unity.

Bob Page: Asked for a stop to the ad hominem attacks at the board meeting.

Mitch: spoke again. Stated that Mendocino county is a unique county and called for fair and balanced.

Doug: spoke again, agreed with Ana about diversity for the station. Doug suggested that discussions be focused on policy.

Sheila: spoke again – voiced concern about transparency concerning committee discussions.

Meg announced the next BOD meeting in July that will be in Andersen Valley and after that Point Arena.

Meg moved to adjourn @ 7:20, Benj seconded.

Minutes submitted by Jenness Hartley, Secretary of the Board.