

WEFT Associates Meeting DRAFT Minutes
Thursday, September 1, 2021
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
On-Line via <https://zoom.us/> ID: 811 895 6459; telephone
call-in # 312 626 6799

AGENDA ITEMS

- I. Call to Order Mike Feldman (MF) @ 7:10pm.
- II. Introductions – dispensed with in favor of reading the Zoom participant list and noting those attending at the station. There was a question of quorum but enough Associates joined.
- III. Approval of the Agenda – TB moves, RS seconds. Approved via acclamation.
- IV. Approval of the Minutes: June 2, 2021 – MN (author) offers corrections, GP moves to approve, JC seconds. Approved via acclimation. Discussion of the fact that the AEC Secretary left to join the board, and the chair is keeping the minutes notes in addition to conducting the meeting.
- V. Reports from Committees & Board
 - A. **Board of Directors** VN reports that the board passed the Fiscal 2023 budget, which included an increase in the proposed Station Manager salary. They also revised the employment ad job description. The BOD met in closed session to consider the personnel action for “JW” and plan to further discuss it at their Sep 26 meeting. This was in response to the earlier Associates’ motion of a recommendation to the BOD for reinstatement. The BOD invited anyone wishing to comment on the issue to email the board chair before the next board meeting. There was considerable discussion of the general policy of bans. GP asks if the board has revised the COVID-19 policy – not as of this meeting, but Julie Pride is going to be a guest on the WEFT Weekender show.
 - B. **Treasurer’s Report** – (written report not included below) MN, or new treasurer, shares his screen to display the report. Checking \$53k, money market \$83k, stock current value ~\$98k, totalling ~\$236k. Income varies month to month but recently about \$2k/mo. Note Community Shares from Uofl are anonymous so if you count on that for membership dues, you have to tell the treasurer. Expenses summarized; looking at bids for new A/C at the transmitter.

- C. **Governance Committee** - no report.
- D. **Human Resources** - no report.
- E. **Programming** -- GP provides attached report.
- F. **Music** - no report.
- G. **Digital Library, Eng., Bldg.** - BP gave verbal report; no attached report. Topics included Station-Transmitter-Link reroute due to new hotel blocking our signal; Sound Exchange report OK; station computer upgrades and maintenance; roof replacement; bathroom fan; A/C at the transmitter; TX power drops for tower climbers; FCC Public File; Emergency Alert System; VN asks for tech-savvy volunteers (meets Mondays); GP asks about power saving with new A/C @tower; VN mentions new TX power supplies.
- H. **Financial Development** - VN reports that getting \$6200 grant from Ill Arts council; proposal due for Rotary Club grant for A/C. WEFT Fest set for Oct 2nd 2-6pm need volunteers; still arranging musical acts.
- I. **Remote Access Team (RAT)** - GP provides attached report. Things stable without many glitches; will update PSAs.
- J. **Community Outreach** - KR reports committee helping with WEFT Fest.
- K. **Comments & Questions from Associates** - None

VI. Voting:

- Board of Directors (2 + 2 seats) - no nominees.
- AEC - (2 seats) no nominees to fill empty secretary slot.
- Programming Committee (1 seat) Gina nominates herself and is re-elected.

VII. New Business - Discussion of Dave Monk's show as special events.

VIII. Adjourn at exhaustion of agenda @ 8:??pm.

NEXT ASSOCIATES MEETING IS
Wednesday, December 7, 2022

via Zoom meeting? (TBA), 7pm

Treasurer Report

<placeholder> Mark/Bob Shared in Zoom.

PC Report for Sept 1, 2022 Associates' Meeting

New/Time Change Shows:

Incoming Wounded – time change from midnight-5am to midnight-4am Sunday
Prairie Monk – Bill Saylor/Cope Cumpston have been covering with both encore and new material
Celtic Go Bragh Go Bragh – Juliet Youngren has been covering weekly since the end of July and is seeking a co-host
“En Comunidad” – co-hosted by Kelly Valle and Mariana Ortega (bilingual with music in Spanish) approved but seeking a time slot that will work for their schedules and their target audience
S’ruti – possible addition of collective member
A New Lamp – Shaun Mills looking to begin producing “new” content in the next few months.
Archival shows broadcasting until then
Blues Live – Aaron Smith has joined the collective on the 4th Friday of each month
East of Zero – Indy Gupta is back from his year-long sabbatical/hiatus
Jazz Strip – PC to review/vote on new proposal from Don Hittle at Sept 13 meeting
Sunday Morning Gospel – PC will work with current Airshifters/guests to train and restructure (Greg Harris retirement?)
Senor Blues – Craig Koslofsky hiatus until summer 2023
Friday Forum – unknown start data for the semester – Wednesday 6-7pm

Special Programming:

Sept.19 - Michael Mwenso and Jono Gasparro in conversation with Jason Finkelman 2-4pm

Ended Shows:

Off Minor – Mark Mulcahey has stepped back from his Saturday 3-5pm slot

PC Membership/Open Seats:

Three Associate-elected seats are available for election this evening and two BOD elected seats are available – please see Gina for BOD election procedure if interested.

PC working on:

Due to continued Covid-19 considerations, the PC has been conducting meetings via Zoom. The PC was able to meet regularly during from June 14, 2022 through Aug 23, 2022.

“Over the Edge” 13 week Probationary Program review (and OIW) was presented to Andrew Cardinal at the June 14 PC meeting.

“Roots & All” 13 week Probationary Program review was presented to Jeff Zolitor at the July 26 PC meeting.

Airshifter tracking tool – reminder emails went out to any Airshifter that has not attended two Associates' meetings in the past year (15 Airshifters) and all Airshifters in arrears with their membership dues (7 folks) on Aug 31/Sept 1 (17 meeting/5 dues prior to June 1 meeting).

FCC Classroom training is scheduled (via Zoom) for October 26.

Email was sent to wefto on August 9 with the listing of open Program slots.

PC Report for Sept 1, 2022 Associates' Meeting (con't.)

Current Open Show Time Slots:

Sunday

Freeform Overnight 4-6am

Monday

Freeform Overnight midnight-6am

Monday Morning Menu 6-9am

Monday Morning Jazz 9-11:30am

World Beat 2-4pm

Tuesday

Freeform Overnight midnight-6:30am

Tuesday Morning Jazz 9-11:30am

World Beat 2-4pm

Wednesday

Freeform Overnight midnight-6am

Morning Menu 6-9am

The Courier 4-6pm (Excellent volunteer opportunity)

7-8pm Open Format

Thursday

Freeform Overnight midnight-6am

World Beat 2-4pm

Roots, Rock Reggae collective (3 weeks/month open)

10pm-midnight Open Format

Friday

Freeform Overnight midnight-6am

Friday Morning Jazz 9-11:30am (pending Proposal)

The Courier 4-6pm (Excellent volunteer opportunity)

Blues Live Collective 8-10pm (1 week/month open)

10pm-midnight Open Format

Saturday

Freeform Overnight midnight-6a

8-10am Open Format (every other week)

3-5pm Open Format

Program proposal forms (hard copies) are in PC binder in the back studio. Digital versions found at http://new.weft.org/about/show_proposal.html and may be emailed to

programming@weft.org.

WEFT Digital Library 2022 Q3 Associates Meeting Report
For 09/01/22 7:00 PM

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RAT (Remote Access Team) Report for Sept 1, 2022 Associates' Meeting

As of August 22, 2022, 13 shows per week were being home-produced and 40 shows per week were being produced in-studio. The balance of 27 shows per week was being covered by RAT member remote operations (Courier/Informational programming/Zara).

As of July 25, 2022 13/41/26

As of June 27, 2022 13/42/25

WEFT RAT continues to support Airshiffters who choose to remain at home via remote Zara coverage or through facilitation of the broadcast of home-produced programming.

Meeting Attendees

Rich Bressler
Tim Burnett
Andrew Cardinal
Jeannie Covert*
Cope Cumpston
Kurt Eilbracht
Mike Feldman
Indranil Gupta
Edwin Hadley
Ian Hammond
Don Hittle
Craig Koslofsky*
Jeff Machota
Mark Mucahey
Mark Niswander*
Vicki Niswander*
Gina Pagliuso
Bob Paleczny*
Kristy Rice
Bill Salyor
Kelly Valle
Dave Vollenweider
Zack Widup

*BOD members (ineligible to vote in Associate proceedings)

Members with excused absences

Denise Curia
Kevin Elliott
Todd Hunter
Richard Schoell
Barbara Trumpinski-Roberts
Evelyn Underwood
Dave Witzany