

Meeting minutes of the
WEFT Board of Directors Meeting
Open Session
July 27, 2015, 7:00 pm
Champaign Telephone Co. Conference Room
1300 S. Neil St., Champaign

| | Board Members | | Guests |
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| X | Vicki Niswander (VN), chair | x | Dave Witzany |
| X | Don Davis (DD), Treasurer | x | Todd Durnil |
| X | Barb Trumpinski-Roberts (BTR), at-large | x | Bruce Zimmerman |
| X | Sandra Ahten (SA) | | |
| X | Andrew Cardinal (AC) | | |
| X | Robert Gattermeir (RG) | | |
| | Al Kurtz (AK) | | |
| X | Mark Niswander (MN) | | |
| X | Lori Serb (LS), SM (ex-officio) | | |

1. Call to Order VN@7:04
2. Introductions
3. Public Comment – No general comments.
4. Approve Agenda – Agenda amended with deletion of BOD member job descriptions (not prepared to discuss at this time). DD moves, AC seconds. Acclamation.
5. Approve minutes from last meeting (5/25/15) – BTR moves, DD seconds. Acclamation.
6. Chair's Report – VN Primary topic is fundraising which is to be discussed later in the agenda.
7. Treasurer's Report – DD reports that expenses are down but so is income. IAC grant may be going away in the future. BTR moves approval of the report. AC seconds. Acclamation.
8. Reports
 - A. Station Manager Report – Underwriting: Food Coop is underwriting 2 shows. Working on G-Mart and World Harvest. Radio Maria and MTD will not be underwriting in the near future. Grateful Dead Hour costs \$1200/year and Free Speech Radio News costs \$300/year. Will be receiving an estimate to repair the antenna deicer. Airshifter

training to be held in early October (exact date TBD).

- B. Committee Reports (PC, Music, Building, Engineering, PR, Finance, Digital Library, HR, Community Shares, Underwriting, Pledge Drive)

PC – 2 shows approved at last meeting.

PR – Cope Cumpston and VN updating brochures for station info and Community Partners. Fall 2015 Pledge Drive theme=WEFT: the soundtrack of our lives. PR, WEFTfest, and Pledge Drive committees meeting together on Tuesday July 28 at 6pm.

9. New business

- A. WEFT Fest – Discussion on whether WEFT should have WEFTfest this year. Several people have volunteered for a variety of tasks to support WEFTfest. Concern was raised about the longevity of WEFT, let alone WEFTfest. WEFTfest will occur but no money will be provided for support.
- B. Grateful Dead Hour – The GDH is WEFT’s most expensive program at \$1200/year. WEFT is currently paid up through September 2015. Dave Witzany (DW) spoke in support and offered that if underwriting and donations could cover the cost, would the BOD approve another year of GDH? Discussion ensued about donations going into the WEFT general fund and not for specific expenses. DW said that David Gans would temporarily let WEFT pay less and could do a benefit concert in C-U in August. It was eventually agreed that in one month the BOD will see what underwriting/support for the GDH exists before making any decision on its continuance.
- C. Officer Elections (Vice Chair and Secretary) – Election for Vice Chair postponed due to AK being absent. Moved by AC, second by RG. Acclamation.
Election for Secretary – MN nominates himself. No other nominees. MN elected to Secretary 7-0 by secret ballot.
- D. Tower Rental renewal – Contract expires 9/30/15. Current rate \$750/month. Commencing negotiations with new tower owner. Verizon cell phone candelabra recently removed from tower.
- E. Director and Officer Insurance – DD has reviewed policies and found one for less than \$900/year. Several BOD members say they wouldn’t want to serve without such a policy. Current policy expires on 8/30/15. BTR moves to approve new contract. AC seconds. Acclamation.

10. Old business

- A. Board Member job descriptions – deleted from this month’s agenda.

11. Fundraising – To be discussed at the joint meeting of PR, Pledge Drive and WEFTfest committees on 7/28/15.

12. Closed Session – personnel

13. Adjournment

| Action Items | | |
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| What | Who | When |
| Add WEFT as a coop discussion to agenda | VN | August meeting |

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