

## WEFT Board of Director Minutes for 01-29-18

Call to Order at 7:08 pm

Attending: Sheri Williamson (SW), Todd Hunter (TH), Ryan Gilmore (RG), Brian Dunn (BD), Jermaine Raymer (JR), Vicki Niswander (VN), Denise Curia (DC), Bob Paleczny (BP), Robe Guennewig (Robe)

Guests: Gina Pagliuso, Gary Walker

Slight break for restrooms

Public Comment

Gary Walker introduced, wants to help with grant writing. He previously did DBA work for Carle.

Agenda

Disciplinary action added to closed session (section 9). VN wants to add airshifter training and Financial Development. Agenda approved as amended (JR, VN, acclamation)

Minutes

Slight corrections. Approved as amended (VN, BD, acclamation)

Treasurer's Report

Quickbooks has led to multiple issues with taxes, leading to a filing of amended returns to U.S. and IL. 2017 being reconciled. Non-payment of payroll tax is being problematic.

Winter appeal has been amazing for us.

Spring Pledge Drive

Recommending date of March 26<sup>th</sup> to April 8<sup>th</sup>? Goal of \$15,000. Approval on dates (DC, Robe, acclamation). Approval on amount (JR, Robe, acclamation).

Digital Library Committee

STL equipment not yet ordered. No meeting due to board meeting conflict. CD2 being replaced. Comcast issues with service, Via Streaming also a problem at times. I3 Broadband? Not yet a viable option.

Programming Committee

2 shifters running for local office unopposed. One will have an opponent after the primaries. Drawing from Evelyn's experience, we are working on a policy for equal time on air for shifters' opponents. FCC says onus is on opponent. Keep on file if checked? Perhaps use another station's policy? Email sent out to relevant members.

Finance

BP cannot chair as WEFT Treasurer. Committee not necessary until June or July. Board required to chair. Robe volunteers. Tabled until June meeting.

Training

Eleven trainees on 1-28-18. Public Affairs training February 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### Financial Development Committee

Meeting on 2-14-18 (6pm). Open to all. Admin's email on Smartsheet says 25 days overdue. They have been contacted. BP has backed some of this up. Debate on merits of Smartsheets ensues. We may look into alternatives this year.

#### Underwriting

AC could use assistance. Lapsed accounts to be notified in person to determine interest. Letters, calls, setc. TH, DC, VN volunteering. All now expire January 31<sup>st</sup>, requesting payment by February 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### Grants

Dave Witzany doing work sample for grants. 3 years of financial reports required for IAC. Full contact information for Board and other examples of WEFT material would aid us. D-U-N-S # also needed for some grants.

#### New Business

Direction of WEFT (State of Union), questions being sent out. We are getting more WEFTies involved in the station.

#### CD Burner

Still attempting to fix before replacing

#### American Tower

Contract in a minimum of three years. Escalating cost of 3% yearly. We are the only tenant. Lock in contract now? \$694.20 at the moment. Grant available? Vote taken. Renewed. Acclamation.

#### WEFT Resources

Keys? For all Board members. New lock needing. Sign off of keys. Petty cash account to wait until after this is done.

Power - New contract signed. 4.779 cents per kw. \$70 saved monthly.

Meeting time for February - Move to 7:15. Same location.

Bank account names have been changed

Fire extinguishers exchanged.

Closed session at 9:04 pm (AC, TH, acclamation). Gina remains (JR, TH, acclamation).

Session reopened at 9:19pm (TH, RG, acclamation).

Meeting adjourned at 9:19 pm (JR, RG, acclamation).