

**WEFT Board of Directors**  
**Minutes September 23, 2024, 7pm on zoom**

Board Members	Present	Guests
Eric Bohlen, Station Manager (EO)	x	
Vicki Niswander (Chair) 3/26	x	
Audrey Fisher (Vice Chair) 9/24	x	
Mark Niswander (Treasurer) 9/25	x	
Barb Trumpinski Roberts (Sec) 3/25	x	
Jim Eagan 9/25		
Bob Paleczny 3/25	x	
Donte Winslow 7/26		
Mitch Marlow 7/26	x	

**1. Meeting Opening**

- a. Intros not needed
- b. Public Comment none
- c. Approval of Agenda-Audrey/Barb, unanimous
- d. Approval of Minutes as amended-Mark/Barb, unanimous

**2. Station Manager Report–Eric Bohlen**

- No info from 115
- No info from John & John on transmitter issues
- Eric gone week of October 6
- Frame Noise will play “You can get it if you really want it” first song over the air on WEFT
- WEFT is finalist for Illinois Broadcasters Assoc Community award

- Radio Free Labor Bob & Gus Finalist Show of year award finalist
- The Beat is over for the season
- WEFT app is being tested this week
- 2 UIUC student groups helping WEFT: 1 listeners, 1 advertising
- New wefffest t-shirts (get from Eric)

### **3. Executive Committee reports**

#### **a. Chair (Vicki)**

- WEFTFEST needs volunteers.
- Thanks to Eric, and Jeannie for raffle prizes

#### **b. Treasurer (Mark)**

- See online -- August was a good month, Parking lot fundraiser very successful, summer appeal, fall fundraiser, 3<sup>rd</sup> payment to Smile Politely, payment for billboard

### **4. New Business**

#### **a. Board Election – Audrey Fisher -Audrey/Mark unanimous**

**b. Stock sale investment –** Stock going up and down, do we want to get another CD? 2 CDs maturing 2025, Audrey suggests that we get 2 CDS maturing each year. Audrey proposes putting \$25,000 into 2 year cd Audrey/Bob

#### **c. Full-time position for station manager starting Oct 1-- Vicki/Mark, unanimous**

**d. Possible capital campaign (discussion only) Mitch** suggesting getting info from Andrew Weiss / Dan Olson from Champaign Park District, we need to figure out questions, what do we want to do at WEFT that needs a capital campaign, board needs to gather opinion of associates and engaging them in the process. Part of a pre-meeting with Andrew (Mitch, Audrey, Eric, Vicki)

### **5. Old Business**

#### **a. WEFT Fest 11-7**

### **6. Committee Concerns**

- Bob updated website today
- Reflected power up again Sunday

**7. Adjournment**

- a. Next Meeting October 28, 2024, 7:00pm on Zoom