# Minutes WOMR Board of Directors meeting, 6PM, December 6, 2016 Davis Space, WOMR, Provincetown, MA

**In attendance:** Ira Wood, John Braden, Bruce Bierhans, John Yingling, Rick Sigel, Carol Courneen, Tony Pierson, Bob Weiser, Chuck Cole, Dave Wilber, Marcy Feller, John Nelson & Mathew Dunn

Regrets: Fred Boak, Susan Lindquist, Seth Rolbein and Sheila House

Meeting called to order at 6:02

Public Comment: None.

**Minutes:** Jingles moved to approve the minutes of the November 2016 minutes, Bruce seconded, 11-0-0.

#### Finance Committee report: attached

Tony asked that Finance Committee look into refinancing the mortgage. Status to be reported at the next meeting.

Executive Director's report: attached

#### **Update for Big Event in June:** Matty

Matty's plan was to have a four-hour party with three bands, food, craft booths and family activities at the Payomet for WOMR's 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary at the Payomet. Unfortunately, conversations with the National Seashore have resulted in shutting down the bulk of the event. Other venues were discussed and a couple of board members offered to meet with Matty after the meeting to discuss options.

#### **Development Subcommittee Update:**

Tony, John B and Bruce reported on the progress of the development subcommittee's work on implementing the organization's development goals as described in the strategic plan, recommending using our current resources over hiring a new person to achieve these goals. The subcommittee's work will be completed by the January board meeting.

#### **Elections of Officers:**

Bob moved, Jingles seconded: Ira Wood for president. All voted in favor. Rick moved, Chuck seconded: John Yingling for vice president. All voted in favor. Bob moved, Tony seconded: Rick Sigel for treasurer. All voted in favor. Carol moved, Bob seconded: Fred Boak for Clerk. All voted in favor. John Y moved, Rick seconded: Carol Courneen for executive committee. All voted in favor.

#### **Reconstitution of Committees:**

Revisit in January

#### **Strategic Plan Implementation:**

Lots done with development goals this month, will revisit next month.

### **Questions/Comments about Committee Reports/Minutes:** None.

**Next meeting** will be January 3, 2017 at 6:00 pm, location to be determined.

Tony moved that the meeting be adjourned, Carol seconded, meeting adjourned at 7:32 P.M.

Minutes by Rick Sigel, transcribed by John Braden

#### December, 2016 Report to the WOMR Finance Committee 3<sup>rd</sup> Month into the Fiscal Year

#### **Cash Flow:**

As of Thursday (11/27) we have a little more than \$25k in the checking account. The check from the Town of Provincetown was deposited earlier this month, I used \$10k of that replenish out emergency fund. The deposit was entered in the books as a receivable for FY16.

The first payment from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (\$50,619) is expected to be deposited either Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday. I will pay down the line of credit once it's processed.

#### **Underwriting:**

After eight weeks since the beginning of the FY, we are currently running neck to neck with last year.

#### Fall Pledge Drive:

At this time last year I reported "so far we have raised \$56,337 on air and \$8,309 through the direct appeal. We budgeted \$62k/\$12k."

This year: so far we have raised \$59,385 on air and \$8,010 through the direct appeal. We have budgeted \$65k/\$12k.

Submitted by John Braden E.D. December 1, 2016

## Report of the Executive Director Meeting of the Board of Directors of WOMR/WFMR Tuesday December 6th, 2016 – 6:00 PM

#### **Fall Pledge Drive:**

As of Thursday December 1st we have raised \$59,385 on air and \$8,010 through the direct appeal. We have budgeted \$65k/\$12k.

#### Intern:

We will be hosting Bennington College student (and former teen DJ) Sam Wood for seven weeks beginning January 2<sup>nd</sup>. This is part of a program called Field Work Team and Sam will be expected to spend 30 hours weekly at the station learning about what it takes to run the radio station. I will be bringing Sam to the Board and subcommittee meetings as well.

#### **Issues at the Provincetown Transmitter:**

An intermittent issue with the TX in Provincetown has come back again seven months after we thought the issue was fixed. While avoiding being too wonky – easiest to say that there are contact issues with our power supply modules that need to be identified and eliminated.

In the course of my conversation with our engineer about how to approach the issue he also pointed out that the TX is ten years old and parts (like the power supply modules) are no longer available to purchase in their original form. He felt that it was imperative that we purchase back up parts (for now one power supply modules and one IPA module) so that we can identify the problem and to be prepared for issues in the future. The engineer at Nautel (the manufacture) disagrees. There are already spare parts built into the system, sitting dormant and ready to take over if their counter-parts fail. The idea behind such a system is during such a failure, the spare keeps the TX running while the failed piece gets shipped out for repairs.

There are actually 10 modules as well as 10 power supplies. Even if two modules should fail, the rest of the modules will carry the weight albeit at a reduced power output. ~ According to the engineer at Nautel, a pair of spare modules would cost north of \$10k.

#### **Upcoming:**

- Events Committee Meeting: December 13 at 5:00 at the Old Firehouse in Orleans
- **Program Committee:** December 21 at 4:00 in the Davis Space

Summited December 2, 2016 John Braden, Executive Director