



**Minutes of the Friends of KSPS Board Meeting
November 19, 2015**

Attending: Pati Dahmen, Don Anderson, Ann Hurst, Kathleen MacKenzie, Nancy Ledeboer, Linda Finney, Sandy Kernerman, Kelly Konkright, Mary Phillips-Rickey, Bob Morrison, Mary Joan Hahn, Mark Anderson, Adam Munson

Tom Dingus - auditor

Absent: Clint Marvel

Staff: Gary Stokes (General Manager), Dawn Bayman (Director of Development), Darcell Yeager

President Dahmen called the meeting to order at 4:38 p.m. (PDT).

Adjourned to Executive Session (New Member Discussion) Pati Dahmen – Adam Munson and Jodie Harland approved unanimously for a 3 year term.

Re-Convened Board Meeting Pati Dahmen - 4:40

Introduction of/Vote on New Board Members Pati Dahmen - Adam introduced himself.

Review of FY14-15 Audit (Tom Dingus/Don Anderson): quick turnaround this year, highlights

- Trusts are same
- Large bequest
- Investment losses compared to 2014
- Membership and contributions – note 11 shows Canadian discount at point of contribution and p. 4 shows loss on Canadian exchange – more significant in 2015-11-19
- Expenses - Programming expenses = 80%; Fundraising/program underwriting = 12%; Operations = 8%
- Significant difference in expenses from 2014 was the one-time transfer to public schools of \$404,000
- Notes – same disclosures as last year with no significant changes (who we are, how transactions are recorded, details of balances and transactions)
- 1 significant deficiency – corrected
- 990 will be prepared soon and is open to public –
- Note 12: in kind services to public schools in lieu of rent;

Don Anderson moved that audit be accepted as presented, Kelly Konkright seconded and motion passed unanimously.

Minutes of the September 24, 2015 Board Meeting (Pati Dahmen/Ann Hurst): Motion by Nancy Ledebauer, second by Linda Finney. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business (Pati Dahmen)

Review of September/October Financials (Don Anderson): on pace with budget, expenses favourable to budget. Motion to approve Ann Hurst, seconded by Kelly Konkright. Motion passed unanimously.

Spectrum Auction (Gary Stokes): FCC extended deadline to January. Broadbands needed more spectrum and FCC put it out for “reverse auction.” Three categories: 1) UHF 2) high VHF 3) low (ch 2-5). Options: 1) get out of broadcasting; 2) move from high to low V, 3) high V to High V. Our attorneys indicate that chances are good that Spokane won’t be seriously bid on and won’t be close to what was put out there. Most Spokane channels are not needed (spectrum isn’t as valuable).

Board has to decide: 1) are we going to do this, 2) what is our position if we are; 3) what is our exit plan. We are not compelled to participate but remaining stations will be repacked in a smaller space. Gary recommends not participating as things are now. (Risk of participating is big immediate gain but have to rebuild public trust, reducing over the air signal and veering from Mission Statement)

(Thought about WSU sharing. If you channel share you have to continue to share even if one partner leaves and one station turns off and the proceeds are split.)

Two big players are not taking part – Sprint and 1 other which decreases the pool. Can’t arbitrarily move us out of high-V keeping the strength of the signal but can get squeezed on the translators if FCC decides they can’t be protected. We would then have to seek licensing (expensive).

Kelly Konkright moved that we do not participate in the spectrum auction unless there is new significant information revealed before the January deadline; Kathleen MacKenzie seconded. Passed unanimously.

Department Reports

General Manager’s Report (Gary Stokes): storm impact – UPS (Universal Power System) worked to restore power; grant from CPB 1.045 so we are below budget on revenue based on our projection so working on course corrections; Auditor has been hired and is coming in April to review compliance with CPB regs.

Development Report (Dawn Bayman): year end-giving, pledge drive starting (goal \$190,000); concern about Canadian donations; probably will be impacted by storm damage; looking for peer- to – peer software but couldn't find one so building it here. Board members encouraged to test it by sending to friends-goal of 50,000 supporters. My KSPS site and create account. KSPS passport will start in December where code is given to donors to access additional program but doesn't work for Canadians. Trying to develop KSPS version for Canada. Register online for Downton Abbey party at the Bing on Dec. 13th. All Board members are encouraged to attend "Carl Maxey: A Fighting Life", Thursday, February 18, 2016 at 6:30 pm at the Bing. Friday, 2/19 there will be a public forum on Race and Justice in the Gonzaga University Courtroom. Dual screening of Dr. Zhivago in Calgary and Edmonton essentially paid for itself with a little extra. Good friend-raising event. Thank you tour is not in the budget right now and is a big project (p. 3 is funding timeline). Significant contributions are needed and board members are requested to offer assistance. Karl Heidel has been hired to assist with digital support.

Committee Updates

Development (Kathleen Mackenzie): No report

Nominating Committee (Pati Dahmen/Kathleen Mackenzie): No report

Governance Committee (Ann Hurst): No report

Adjourned

Upcoming Meetings:

Executive Committee – December 17th, 2015 @ 4pm
Friends of KSPS Meeting – January 28th, 2016 @ 4:30pm