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# Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Monday August 10, 2020 at 5:00 PM

#### **MINUTES**

- A. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:06 PM by Bergstrom.
- B. Roll Call: Present were Secretary Mary Corcoran,
  Treasurer Brad Reynolds, Members Sue Bergstrom, Dave
  Hollis, and Bill Black. Also present was General Manager
  John Anderson. Absent; Randy Parker, Frank Cook, Amy
  Houck and Shane Kimberlin.
- C. Announcements and Introductions: There were no announcements or introductions.
- D. Approval of Agenda: Reynolds moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Black and passed unanimously as amended.
- E. Approval of Minutes from previous meetings: Reynolds moved to accept the meeting minutes of July 13, 2020. The motion was seconded by Hollis and passed unanimously.
- F. Education Minute
  - 1. Kimberlin: topic TBD. Tabled until the next meeting.
  - 2. Assignment for next meeting: Bergstrom suggested that either members email suggested topics to her or that Kimberlin present the next minute.
- G. Information Items:
  - Board vacancy Executive Committee-Vice
     President: Tabled until the next meeting when more members are present.
- H. Old Business -
  - 1. Reynolds asked if KCHU is eligible for the latest round of the Alaska Cares Act grant. Anderson said

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he will attend a Zoom meeting on August 11, to learn more.

#### I. New Business - None

### J. General Manager's Report

- 1. The Cordova transmitter blew on August 8, after 18 years of service. A replacement has been ordered at a cost of \$3,900 including shipping. Van Kraft will deliver it. in Cordova, Dave Bradshaw will work with Kraft to install the new one on August 12. The capability of that transmitter is significantly more than the old one. Presently, Cordova listeners can receive radio via the internet. The "Simple Radio" app is free vs the web connection. Repair of the old transmitter will cost more than is practical. Equipment failures have contributed to a survival mode but it has been a good summer.
- 2. APBC representatives will be meeting with Governor Dunleavy. The administration proposes to move the APBC out of DOA and to the Department of Commerce. The move could threaten ARCS service.
- 3. APBC Co-chair Carl Berger says that APBC will continue to offer services at the cost to stations of \$5,000/yr for its service. Rather than subscribe to that service, KCHU will continue to contract with Van Kraft for engineering due to reliability and cost.
- 4. Mollie Kabler (APB) has been appointed to CPB-a voice for Alaska.
- 5. KCHU is receiving its expected federal grant and some local support.
- 6. Allison Sayer, a stringer reporter from Sitka, is now writing for Sound and Valley News and KCHU.
- 7. President's executive order for a payroll tax is problematic. Because the tax will be due and may be determined to be unconstitutional, KCHU is

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considering holding the money for staff and will talk with staff.

- K. Committees Updates-See Committee listing for members
  - 1. Building: The building is reconnected to city water.
- L. Schedule next meeting: The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, September 14, at 5:00 pm by acclamation.
  - 1. Members excused from next meeting\_\_\_\_
- M. Adjournment: Reynolds moved to adjourn. Hollis seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

  Bergstrom adjourned the meeting at 5:37 pm.

## **Committee Membership**

- a. Building Committee Cook, Parker, Blehm
- b. Finance Kimberlin, Bergstrom, Parker
- c. Fundraising Houck, Kimberlin, Devens, O'Connor
- d. Events Kimberlin, Blehm, Devens, Black
- e. Board Recruitment, Orientation and Training Houck, Corcoran, and Bergstrom