

**Stu Levitan**

**Seat Selection**

Participating Member - Serve until 2020 annual meeting (2 seats)

**Contact Information**

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**Current Occupation**

Retired Labor Mediator/Arbitrator

**Any past felony convictions?**

No

**Background:**

**Please indicate your involvement with WORT, past or current.**

My involvement with WORT began when the station was still on Winnebago St., in 1979. Over the years, I have hosted A Public Affair and the Breakfast Special (at Cleveland's and Sunprint), and done some relief music programming. I currently do a 5-minute podcast on the Wednesday night news, "Madison in the Sixties," which was recently honored by the Milwaukee Press Club. I have served on the WORT Board since 2014, and chair the Policy and By-Laws Committee. I also do a lot of pledge-rapping, and have been a listener-sponsor for decades.

**Please indicate your involvement with communit(ies) in WORT's listening area.**

I have spent more than 40 years involved with the Madison community as a downtown County Supervisor and neighborhood association president (I wrote the CDBG application that funded the large studio and improvements to the Mifflin Co-Op),

newspaper reporter, and member of numerous boards and commissions, including chairing the Landmarks Commission and Community Development Authority and such non-profit boards as the Fair Housing Council and Madison Development Corporation.

## **Ideas**

### **What are your goals for WORT?**

Financial security; a healthier relationship between board and staff and volunteers; technical improvements; increased use of new delivery methods to grow listener and funding base.

### **What do you see as WORT's major responsibilities to the community?**

We are meeting our two programmatic responsibilities. We offer unique and diverse music expertly curated by popular and interesting hosts. We provide the best broadcast local news coverage and a full public affairs package that is second only to Wisconsin Public Radio. Our major responsibility is to continue to do both things.

**There are many areas where WORT could improve and many new activities WORT could undertake. Please list specific tasks on which you would be willing to work.**

Fund-raising. Continue to work to improve policies and by-laws.

### **Why do you wish to be on WORT's Board of Directors?**

I care deeply about the station, and believe I can help it not only survive, but thrive.

**The Board currently meets monthly on a Wednesday night. Meetings are scheduled at 7:00 p.m. and may finish as late as 11 p.m.. Are you able to regularly attend Board meetings?**

Yes

**WORT's Board is an active participant in station affairs. Board members do committee work and participate in pledge drives and other fundraising events. Board members are expected to commit to five to ten hours a month in addition to meetings. Roughly estimate the time you have available for work in addition to Board meetings.**

Five to ten hours a month, with increasing availability once a major project is completed in August.