Directors present: David Devereaux-Weber (President), Jane Richard (Secretary), Jerry Chernow, Gilman Halsted, Doug Holtz (Staff Representative), Katherine Hoveland, Stephen Lord, Paul Novak, Lincoln Tice
Directors absent: Martin Kehrein, Stuart Levitan
Guests: Bob Goldsmith, Glenn Mitroff, Dan Lippitt, Susan Sheldon

President Devereaux-Weber called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. The agenda was adopted with no changes and the minutes of the meeting of September 27, 2017 were approved by consent.

The committee and staff reports submitted were noted. At the request of the Business and Event Director, Lord moved and Halstead 2nd to have the Events Committee become a Work Group, and its report be presented in Business and Event Director report. All in favor. Motion passes.

The Listener-Sponsor Development Director reported that a listener offered to donate a small property in Beaver Dam. There was ample discussion. Devereaux-Weber asked that the Finance Committee take on this project to determine potential costs, what the real estate market in Beaver Dam is like, etc. etc. Related, the committee will review the (unapproved) new gift policy. The LSDD also gave an oral report on the results of the recently ended fall pledge drive: very good news! The goal was reached with 1.5 days remaining. An exact total is waiting on the audits of a few shows, but a breakdown report is forthcoming.

Other reports:
  a. Music Director
  b. Volunteer Outreach Coordinator
  c. News, Talk, and Public Affairs Director
  d. Events Committee
  e. Programming Committee: Tice gave an oral report, with a promise of a written version to follow. The PC is working on their charter, a requirement of the CPB. They are also planning to send an annual checkup survey to hosts, which should be more manageable than a full-fledged evaluation. There was ample discussion.

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the web and web collective. The web master position was eliminated about 1 year ago and the rest of the staff, along with some volunteers, have done most of the updating since. A topic for further discussion: Should there be a permanent (not a volunteer) web master position again?

There were several announcements, mostly related to events and deadlines
  * October 19: WORT Social Club at the Echo Tap
  * November 5: Rock N Bowl at Dream Lanes
  * 2018 grant from CPB will come in early November and the Board President and Business and Event Director need to approve to trigger payments.
  * CPB NFFS (Non-Federal Financial Support: outlines what is allowable to claim as non-federal support, like donated goods and services); Station Activities Survey (related to compliance) is due February 15, and the AFR (Annual Financial Report) is due May 31, which affects next year’s grants.
• Richard is missing November board meeting; a volunteer to take notes?
• LSDD would like Directors to handwrite thanks you letters to new contributors.

The Information Technology Hiring Committee did not meet during the pledge drive. On October 19, they will decide schedule of next steps, keeping in mind the best scenario of an early 2018 start.

Holtz (Business and Event Director) presented a budget summary, with high-level figures as well as and a more detailed snapshot of staff expenses. The complete and detailed budget will be presented at the November meeting.

Holtz moved to adjourn, Halstead seconded, the meeting adjourned at 8:35

Board of Directors meeting schedule: 3rd Wednesdays:
November 15, 2017 (preliminary budget discussion); December 6, 2017: devoted to budget; December 20, 2017; January 17, 2018; February 21, 2018; March 21, 2018; April 18, 2018; May 16, 2018
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