Programming Committee Minutes — March

The regular monthly meeting of the Programming Committee was held on Monday, March 12, 2018 at 17:00 in Vinyl Room.

CALL TO ORDER: 17:08
Members present: Chair Alan Muirhead, Board Liaison Lincoln Tice, Music Director Sybil Augustine, News director Molly Stentz, Jo Anne Lindberg, Mike Hinz and Dylan Brogan.

Absent:

MOTION: Approval of February minutes (Dylan)
  ● Second (Hinz)
  ● Approved on voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
  ● Fairly “short and sweet” this month.
  ● Had some folks that disagreed with some opinions expressed over-the-air.

COMMUNICATION FROM BOARD (Lincoln)
  ● Discussion about what defines an ex-officio member. Being hashed out at bylaws committee.

NEXT MEETING
  ● Confirmation of meeting on April 9, 2018.

STAFF REPORTS
  ● Music Director: Available at this link.
    ○ Monday overnight host is retiring.
    ○ Tuesday night is still stable.
    ○ New volunteer being trained for the fifth Friday of the month.
    ○ Aaron hosting first week of the month on Vinyl Resting Place.
    ○ New volunteer (third generation WORTian) working with Pachyderm parade. Will be doing live show at Natural Family Expo.
    ○ WIN being replaced BBC headlines at 8:01, Monday-Friday. Needs approval from PC committee.
  
  ● News Director: Available at this link.
    ○ About to launch podcast “Black Like Me” with Rev. Alex Gee. Going to be cross-promoted on WORT’s website. A look at race and culture in Madison.
    ○ Mel & Floyd podcasting is back up and running.
    ○ New features coming to evening news show: Local farming segment and storytelling segment.
    ○ New news reporters and engineers being trained.
Planning of film fest live broadcast with Mel & Floyd.
- Lining up college interns for the summer.

SHOW SUBMISSIONS
- Old-time radio drama (free, syndicated).
  - No slot and it's not local. No action taken.
- Chuck Goehler, music written and performed by Wisconsin artists.
  - Sybil will follow-up with Chuck. Fridays midnight to 2am may be available.

OLD BUSINESS
- Charter
  - Bylaws committee set to discuss Charter on March 13. Alan and Dylan were asked to attend.
- Annual review survey.
  - Brief heads-up email going out before surveys are sent. Happening this month.

NEW BUSINESS
- Discussion about new show proposal form:
  - What is it that the station needs for programming?
  - Should the station solicit proposals for a particular show?
  - What does the station need in terms of programmers/volunteers?
  - What is the appropriate next steps?
  - Lincoln is going to ask BoD about it.
  - CAB should also be informed.
  - WORT Volunteer Form needs updating, too.
    - Hugh agrees to shepherd this project. Will send update before April meeting.
- Discussion on “Programming Committee Portal”
  - Sybil and Molly will work on access to committee documents and archives.
- Discussion on Arbitron data from the past.

MOTION: Adjournment (Dylan)
- Second (Hinz).
- Approved on voice vote.

Adjournment at 18:25
Minutes taken by Dylan Brogan.