

Kekahu Foundation Board of Directors
Minutes for meeting July 27, 2023 6:30 pm
Kapaa Neighborhood Center

Present: President Hari Simran Khalsa, Treasurer Jeff Frisk, Secretary Patti Valentine, Steve Thatcher, Mark Kruhmin, GM Laura Christine

Absent: Aimee Kreutzmann, Alanna LeSueur, Derek Green joined at 7:45 pm

Guests: Anni Caporuscio, Aisha Kadomatsu, Keahi Kuroiwa and his daughter

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

Agenda for July 27, 2023: Mark moved to approve, Jeff seconded, all approved.

Minutes of April 19, 2023 BOD meeting: Jeff moved to approve, Mark seconded, all approved.

Public Input: no comments

President's Comments:

Hari shared that he had attended the NFCB convention in Colorado.

General Manager's Report:

See Laura's full report. The highlights are: After much discussion we agreed to purchase new broadcasting console boards for the studio, and the Summer Fund Drive will be August 9-18. Lindsay's last day as a paid employee was June 30; Aisha Kadomatsu started as Program Director on May 29; kDen Surprenant will start at Development Director on August 7; Anni Caporuscio will be interim GM starting August 31.

CAB Report: No recent meetings to report.

Committee updates:

Finance – Jeff went over the letter the station received from the Knudsen Trust/Watanabe law office and their request for payment of back rent without a signed lease agreement. The situation was discussed.

We're down \$81,000 from our budget but the fund drive will start in another week. Underwriting income is below budget.

Broadcast insurance has been added as an annual expense at \$3,000.

CDs were cashed out and resubmitted at 2%.

Once again Steve interjected that TreasureDirect.gov will pay 4% interest on short term savings.

Keahi asked about setting up a bitcoin account but no decision was made.

Personnel – Hari confirmed that Anni will be the interim GM starting August 31.

Outreach – Derek noted we'll need to meet prior to the September 10 anniversary party.

Strategic Plan – Hari believes the plan will come together soon.

Endowment – no report.

Development – no report.

Old Business:

A) No progress on the transmission change from 92.7 to 88.1.

B) We want to create a plaque to honor Don Mussell for his many years of invaluable service to KF/KKCR; Anni will contact her friend who could make one.

We are still looking for a new engineer.

New Business:

- A) No new BOD applicants.
- B) NFCB report from Hari: many community radio stations are facing the same challenges we are, particularly regarding engineer availability. Underwriters should be seen as partners, not just paid advertising. He suggested that we send at least one BOD to the annual meeting.
- C) We acknowledged his email resignation and expressed our thanks to Paul Marshall for his time on the BOD and as the Vice President this year.
- D) When Laura Christine leaves her position as General Manager the new check and credit card signers will be Hari Simran and Anni Caporuscio.

Next meeting: Decided after the meeting via email responses, we will meet on Thursday, October 5, 2023 at 6:30 pm, at the Kapaa Neighborhood Center.

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 pm.

Executive Session was held from 8:41 pm – 9:06 pm.

Present: President Hari Simran, Treasurer Jeff Frisk, Secretary Patti Valentine, Mark Kruhmin and Derek Green.

New Vice President: Jeff nominated Mark for VP, Hari seconded, all in favor.

New starting salary of \$52,000 for the General Manager position was discussed.

Minutes submitted by Patti Valentine, Secretary