

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Membership of Great Falls Community Broadcasting Company

June 28, 2009 - Convened at the Waypoint Center, Depot Road, Bellows Falls, VT

Call To Order: The meeting was called to order by Gary Smith at 1:45pm.

Approval of Minutes of Annual Meeting 2008: Art Coates moved that we approve the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Membership 2008. Tony Elliott seconded this motion. The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote of those in attendance.

Treasurer's Report: Tony Elliott gave a brief summary of the contents of the Treasurer's report consisting of financials as appear in the Annual Report of 2009. Maya Costley moved that we accept the report. Dickie Colo seconded this motion. The motion carried and the Report was accepted unanimously by those in attendance.

Programming: A report on the current and planned state of Programming was presented in the Annual Report and summarized for those in attendance by Gary Smith.

Host Fees: It was reported that for most people, Host Fees require renewal on July 1 of each year. There was brief discussion of the consequences for those who have recently paid their host fees and the matter was handed over to the Board of Directors for resolution.

Old Business:

- a. **FCC Progress:** Gary Smith discussed his conversation with the FCC and they're projection that our application would receive a ruling in the summer of 2010. There was extended conversation among the members about the projected costs of upgrading to the full power license.
- b. **Station Logs:** There was discussion about the importance of Station Logs and the necessity for every host to complete the station log EVERY time they are on the air. Also some discussion of the Program Logs and WOOL's new insistence on these being complete for every applicable show.
- c. **Archiving:** There was a long discussion between the board and Luise Light about archiving and the reuse of shows in other timeslots and on different days. Tony Elliott explained the archiving system, why it appears to not work. Discussion drifted towards PRX, an amalgamator of independent programming and Tony also explained why PRX did not provide much of a fundraising opportunity.
- d. **MardiGras / Halloween:** Discussion of upcoming Mardi Gras Party as well as a possible Halloween Party.
- e. **Silent Auction:** Bob Ross discussed the Silent Auction, how it will work, and how members can participate. Bob handed out slips to members to use when collecting items to auction.

Election of Directors: Since the President is up for election this year, chair is passed to Tony Elliott who was elected to a three-year directorship in 2007 and is not up for election. Tony read the slate of candidates: Maya Costley, Bill Holtz, Don Malcolm, Dot Read, Bob Ross, Gary Smith, Janice Wojcik.

Tony Elliott called for nominations from the floor and, hearing none, Tony moved that we elect the slate. Luise Light seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the slate as above was elected unanimously to be the board of directors, with Tony Elliott, from this day for one year or until directors are duly elected per the organization bylaws.

Topic Oriented Discussion:

- a. **Underwriting & Fundraising in General:** There was discussing of putting together an underwriting program with fixed on-air rates. Janice Wojcik advocated for a small Underwriting Committee that she would chair to put together a rate card/schedule. Some discussion about individual shows being underwritten by local business. Tom Abare recommended a paid Sales person to handle Underwriting.
- b. **Alumni Weekend:** Peter Powers volunteered to be the Committee Chair to work with Alumni Weekend to build more knowledge of WOOL amongst Alumni.
- c. **FACTV:** Luise Light offered her personal commitment to be the liaison between WOOL and FACTV
- d. **Volunteering:** Dot Read passed around lists on which to collect names of those who would volunteer for various aspects of station management, fundraising, underwriting, etc.
- e. **New Members:** There was general discussion about the 2008-2009 decrease in membership and how to increase membership in the coming year. Members were encouraged to find one person to join each.

Motion To Adjourn: There being no other business, Tony Elliott motioned to adjourn. Jim Baldwin seconded that motion which carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 3:57pm.