

Minutes of the Friends of KSPS Board Meeting January 22, 2015

Attending: Pati Dahmen (President), Jeff Adams (Vice-President), Clint Marvel (Treasurer), Bob

Morrison (Secretary, videoconference), Mary Joan Hahn (videoconference), Ann Hurst,

Kathleen Mackenzie, Mary Phillips-Rickey (videoconference), Steve Walther

Absent: Don Anderson, Mark Anderson, Kelly Konkright, Gary Livingston

Guests: Leo Stevens (Community Advisory Board)

Staff: Gary Stokes (General Manager – videoconference until 5:05 p.m.), Dawn Bayman (Director

of Development), Darcell Yeager (Accountant)

President Dahmen called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m. (PST).

Minutes of the November 20, 2014 Board Meeting

No changes to the November 20th minutes were identified. Kathleen Mackenzie moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Steve Walther, approved with one abstention (Jeff Adams – not at the November 20th meeting).

New Business

December, 2014 Management's Financial Report

Treasurer Marvel reviewed the *Financial Report*. The revenue and expenses are in good shape – compared to the budget, revenue is higher and expenses are lower. The *Report* reflects the realized and unrealized losses due to the decline in the Canadian dollar. Ann Hurst moved to approve the *Financial Report*, seconded by Jeff Adams, unanimously approved.

Bylaw Changes

Vice-President Adams outlined the need to revise the Bylaws to ensure consistency with the changes in ownership of the station and the Board's role. The draft of new Bylaws was discussed. Key changes proposed to change the Bylaws are: revising titles for Board and management positions, clarifying roles, providing for a Community Advisory Board, and setting out the rules governing public notice of meetings and public involvement in meetings. Issues identified were: extending the period for holding the Annual Meeting to ensure completion of the audit, downstream effects (e.g., signing authority), and the role of "vice-president." The draft Bylaws were tabled so the Bylaws Committee can review and recommend any revisions.

Canadian Economy

Mary Phillips-Rickey reviewed the current situation with the Canadian economy and the impact on the Canadian dollar. Trying to predict currency fluctuations is not recommended. The Finance Committee will develop a policy for money received in Canada that will cover financial commitments in Canada and provide for the regular and orderly transfer of funds to the station.

General Manager's Report

The General Manager's Report was received for information.

Development Report

Dawn Bayman reviewed recent events. The December Pledge goal was met. The growth in Sustainers continues, the number of major donors has increased, and a particularly generous donation was received from a long-time supporter of the station. The *Rick Steeves Holy Land lecture*, *Rick Steeves Marathon*, and *Downton Abbey Preview* were all successful.

Grants have increased, primarily for *Kids Forward*. A variety of organizations have either renewed or begun supporting the station including the Spokane Aquifer Joint Board and the Coeur d'Alene Tribe and Casino's underwriting of *Downton Abbey*. Peggy Urlacher, the new corporate fund-raiser in Alberta, has started, visited the station, and already developed several good prospects.

Upcoming events include the March Pledge Drive, the Downton Abbey Season 5 Marathon (March 1st), Ken Burns' *Cancer: The Emperor of All Maladies* (March 30th, 31st, April 1st), and *Antiques Roadshow* in Spokane (June 6th).

Next Meeting

The date of the next Board meeting is March 26, 2015, 4:30 p.m. (PST).

There being no other official business, President Dahmen adjourned the meeting at 5:52 p.m. (PST).