

**WCUW 91.3FM
910 MAIN STREET,
WORCESTER MA 01610**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING: Tues, March 15, 2022, 7:00 PM (ZOOM)

ATTENDING: Rajoo Ananth, Darren Pinto, Greg Check, Jonathan O’Leary, Rick Hendra, Barry Sullivan, William Fisher, Tania Romero, Tupac William McNeil, and Troy Tyree

ABSENT: None

MEETING MINUTES

- Quorum reached at 7.08pm, meeting called to order
- Minutes approved from Feb 15, 2022, Board meeting - motioned by Jonathan and seconded by Fisher
- Rita Sullivan submitted resignation which was accepted by the Board
- Stanley Sakelson’s resignation was accepted by the Board
- Rick reported that Tupac missed 4 meetings in a row and he motioned to remove him from the board, seconded by Jonathan. Tania asked the question if Rick had called Tupac. Troy called Tupac on the phone, and Tupac joined the meeting. Hence motion was rescinded. Tupac mentioned that he did not receive meeting emails due to an error in his email address. His correct email address is now on file. No further action is necessary.
- Greg reported on the infrastructure committee that was held previous week Tuesday March 8th. They reviewed fixtures in the studio and wanted a report from the accountant regarding missing items that did not have an ID e.g microphones. Committee reported a wish list that included a broadcast engineer. Troy mentioned that he is applying for 2 grants—one from Stoddard for equipment. He also mentioned that Steve B is an audio specialist, but he is not comfortable with on-air equipment. After Don Demarsh WCUW did not have an engineer at the studio. Don had volunteered his entire time at the studio. Troy mentioned that he will include in the ED report about retaining a network expert. Barry mentioned that there was a duplicate broadcast board in the building and only parts may need to be replaced. Steve had said that parts are not available. Troy mentioned that a new board can cost 5-25K and that the previous one was purchased at \$6900. When WGBH donated the second board it had 3 sections

and 12 faders- 4 in each module. Brian had prepared a tech sheet for sections to be replaced but the parts are difficult to find. Barry's concerns need to be addressed by Steve and Brian. Barry mentioned that majority of the equipments are slow (specially computers) and that Troy should reach out to programmers' and gather opinions with regards to improvements. Rick talked about front room priorities.

- ED report-please see attached power point from Troy
- Troy reported that facility has permission to accommodate 80 persons in the building, 60 in the front room, 30 chairs and no mask mandate
- Board wishes to thank brother David for raising \$ 600/-
- Don DeMarsh is willing to donate \$3000 for equipment fund.
- On-air fundraising by programmers is scheduled from March 15th to April 10th
- Troy mentioned underwriting rates need to be reviewed
- Barry questioned how many new members were recruited in the last fund drive. Troy responded new members were 30
- NEW Business:
 - Jonathan questioned pricing of T-shirt was too high at \$75 and requested that it should be priced below \$50.
 - Darren suggested WCUW logos during outdoor activities at Worcester Main South venue on Cambridge Street near salvation army toward college square. Several bands come to play in the summer at Hitcher post
- Meeting adjourned at 8.33pm-motioned by Jonathan and seconded by Rajoo

Respectfully Submitted,

Rajoo Ananth
Secretary of BOD
WCUW Inc.