

KGNU BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 13, 2009

4700 Walnut Street, Boulder, Colorado

PRESENT: Shareef Aleem
Meredith Carson (by telephone)
Wendy Emrich
Sam Fuqua
Barry Gilbert
Basit Mustafa
Chris O'Riley
Michael Shuster
Marge Taniwaki
Judy Trompeter
David Wilson

STAFF: Annie Sugar

PUBLIC: Joy Barrett
Guy Errickson
Daria Leverne
Yukari Miyamae
Steven Sherman-Boemker
Bonnie Van Deursen

ABSENT: Ken Fricklas

The Board meeting was called to order by Barry Gilbert.

The agenda was re-ordered to allow the Budget Committee to report earlier due to Basit Mustafa's illness.

The December minutes were approved with previous brief amendments.

Opening remarks / Barry Gilbert: Barry spoke about the Board improving on meeting commitments, the use of common courtesy, professionalism, respectfulness and timely response.

Public Comment: Shareef Aleem requested a leave of absence from KGNU due to family responsibilities and for time to heal in terms of his health. Shareef assured us he will always be a KGNU-er, that he will participate in the All-Station retreat and that February 5th will be his last day on air for now. There were expressions of concern as well as appreciation for Shareef and his volunteer work.

Budget Committee / Basit Mustafa: Because the timeframe between settling accounting on the previous month and the reporting deadline are incongruous, there will be a 30 day lag in budget information. We are able to service current debt, but pressures will increase and there could have been a short-fall without the year end push. The Staff volunteered to accept only half of their year end bonus. Our balance sheet is healthy, we are an attractive investment with assets in FDIC guaranteed instruments, but KGNU must focus on the aggressive goals laid out in the FY 2009 budget. A YTD shortfall has compromised KGNU's planned \$13,000 contribution to cash reserves. A mini-drive is planned for Denver.

Development Committee / Wendy Emrich and Annie Sugar: Annie handed out a tracking document with plans for major donor fundraising, events, underwriting and grants. There is a plan to increase Dining-on-Air gatherings to 31 for KGNU's 31 years. Water Course restaurant will donate 10% of January 26th proceeds to the station. Signature event planned for May 9th at Boulder Theatre. DevCom and Events Committee work jointly on signature events with Events

in charge of established, annual events and DevCom planning new and donor-related events. The DevCom continues to recruit more members, discuss finding a permanent Chair and better suited meeting time.

Station Manager's Report / Sam Fuqua: All-Station Retreat set for Saturday, January 24th, at the Outlook Hotel, 800 28th Street in Boulder with half-day Board / Staff follow-up on Sunday. KGNU will co-host a nationwide Inauguration Day Special call-in show for Pacifica affiliate stations. Joel Edelstein and Maeve Conran will coordinate the broadcast with DC based WPFW. Grounding systems will be installed for new FM transmitter though antenna installation and power increase will be delayed until October, 2009, because expected Federal grant money cannot be spent until then. Upcoming events include Colonel Ann Wright on January 27th and Aaron Glantz on February 3rd.

Fiscal Agent / Sam Fuqua: donnie betts with "Destination Freedom" asked KGNU to continue serving as its fiscal agent for funds it receives from the Denver Foundation. The station will receive a nominal book-keeping fee. It was moved (Shareef) and seconded (Judy) that KGNU agree to act as fiscal agent for No Credit Productions / donnie betts in receipt of Denver Foundation grant for "Destination Freedom" through the Eulipions Fund. The motion passed unanimously with the exception of a vote from Meredith. Barry asked that she not vote by telephone until such time that there is clarification of such procedure by the committee now working on up-dating the station's by-laws.

Community Advisory Board meeting / Sam Fuqua: The Listener Advisory Panel meetings were combined with required Community Advisory Board meetings and may be expanded to two per year. Though lightly attended, good suggestions came from the gatherings.

Other Business: Barry reported that a committee to review and clean up the By-laws has been formed with arleigh serving as Chair. David Wilson volunteered to serve as scribe for By-laws and sees no radical changes being made, but more on the order of clean-up. David recalled that the first real delineation of the By-laws occurred in 2006. An ad hoc committee to help retain volunteers is forming with and arleigh as one of the members. Shawna wants to re-vamp the orientation brochure with in-put from this committee. Judy handed out suggested comments for Board members to use when they attend Volunteer Orientations in Denver and Boulder each month.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Submitted by Marge Taniwaki