Bisbee Radio Project Board of Directors Meeting September 11, 2018, 6:00 PM Blue Mule Cafe in The Bisbee Royale Bldg.

- 1.) The Meeting was called to order by President Mahoney at 6:14 PM
- 2.) Present: Jim Mahoney, Reagan Burrell, Patricia Worth, Stephen Yoder, Nancy Potenza, James Lacey, Paul Tompkins, Mitch Druckman Absent: none
- 3.) President Mahoney read the Mission Statement of the Bisbee Radio Project.
- 4.) The minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of August 28, 2018 were approved as submitted.
- 5.) Call to Public:

a.) Ben Susman

- Reported that he was told at the last event that the beer in the keg tasted bad. Discussion followed about why that would be. The main consensus was that the cleanliness of the lines was probably the cause. The upshot was the opinion that the lines on the kegs needed to be cleaned but there were no volunteers to do so. It was also decided that we should at least supplement the keg beer with canned/bottled beer.
- -Requested that the Election Committee be included on the agenda under "Committee Reports".
- -Stated that when he arrived tonight before the actual Board Meeting, the door was locked. He feels that even though the meeting was a "work session", it should still be open to the public. Board members explained that several of them had left the door ajar but that the kick-down stop must have moved allowing the door to close. It was unintentional.
- 6.) President's Report: President Mahoney will be out of town assisting in a program in the Eastern Sierra mountains. His main concern right now is the IRS abatement letter. The letter was finalized and signed during tonight's work session. He also stated his elation about how the Royale is being received by

the public.

7.) Treasurer's Report: Profit/Loss reports for 1/1/2018-9/11/2018 were distributed. The "bottom line" is that we have about \$5000 in the KBRP radio account, about \$16,000 in our Blues Foundation account, and about \$700 in our PayPal account. Two weeks ago Patricia transferred \$2000 from PayPal to the KBRP Radio account.

A question was raised as to whether or not we have seen any of the grant money that Dan Maldonado was applying for through Goar Park Lunches. Patricia said that he had told her that he had recently received \$5000 but she has not seen anything in writing about it. Discussion followed about financial arrangements with Goar Park Lunches. It was decided that a meeting would be set up with Dan after Patricia returns in early October.

The Finance Committee will meet on Thursday, September 19 at 3:00 PM. The meeting will be attended by telephone, by our accountant, Sue Logan,.

Patricia is working on a budget proposal with Sue Logan.

Patricia stated that she felt it was important for the Board to let the past financial irregularities go and to focus on the present and the future.

Patricia, Raghida Khouri, and Jahfree Lambo are working on updating our underwriters' policies, presentations, etc.

Paul Tompkins and volunteer Shirley Alexander will be doing some financial forensic research, putting old financial transactions into PayPal and trying "to figure out where the money went".

Mahoney met with Laurie McKenna last week to talk about grants. Apparently she has leads on grants that would be applicable to our mission statement.

Patricia reported that she needs the height of the Central School building and the height of our antenna for our insurance.

8.) Committee Reports:

<u>State-of-the-station report:</u> Mitch reported that things are generally good except that we are losing programmers faster than they are being replaced. Tom Wood

and Peter Levine have been training to do MEG downloads. Mitch also discussed his conversations with PRX over past due payments from earlier times. Discussion followed about PRX and whether or not we want to continue to buy their programs. However, any changes to the station's programming would have to be recommended by the Program Committee for Board approval. Patricia was designated to talk to PRX about possibly forgiving some of our debt.

<u>Volunteer Committee:</u> Kay Lynn Cummins was introduced as the Volunteer Committee Coordinator. Paul Tompkins will be the liaison between the Board and Volunteer Committee. Kay Lynn reported on who and what she needs for upcoming events. Paul is finalizing the member database and, once it's done he will need data entry volunteers. Paul mentioned, just for general knowledge, that some of the volunteers are not actually members.

A lot of discussion followed about whether or not membership could be paid for by volunteer hours. It is allowed by the bylaws. Paul said that he will get together with the volunteer committee and draft some sort of policy to cover this and submit it for Board approval.

<u>Election Committee</u>: Ben Susman reported that the call for Board candidates has been sent out. Anyone interested in running for the Board should respond to elections.kbrp@gmail.com. Discussion followed as to how the voting should be done: via email?, via snail mail? A drop-in ballot box was rejected by the election committee because it's too hard to control.

James Lacey proposed (moved?) that we authorize the expenditure for 2 postage stamps per voter (ballot out and SASE for ballot return) the motion was seconded by Reagan. It was suggested that we leave this to the election committee to work on and the Board can approve or disapprove of whatever they suggest. The motion was amended to say that the 2 stamps be provided if the election committee decides that snail mail is the way to go. Motion passed unanimously.

Goar Park Lunches: Dan Maldonado was not present so no report was received.

<u>Program Committee:</u> Paul reported that the meeting went pretty well except for the interchange between a committee member and a programmer when "passions ran pretty high". However, he reported that it all turned out OK. Next meeting is set for September 20.

IT Committee: Paul is creating a membership database which he will send out for suggestions/approval. After that he'll start filling the database in with up-to-date information. Mahoney questioned whether the website is still on schedule. Mitch reported that it will definitely be done by the end of September. Mitch also reported that the Spirit of Bisbee Vol. 2 CD should be ready by the end of the month.

<u>Bisbee Royale Committee:</u> Patricia and Reagan will meet with John Acosta to negotiate using the Royale for a Mariachi event. Discussion followed about how we deal with people who wish to rent the Royale.

Patricia brought up the question of whether or not we want to enter a contract with Swank wherein we commit to a minimum of 36 movies a year for \$75 per movie. Board members were encouraged to go to Swank.com and peruse the choices available.

Discussion followed about what we're doing at the Royale on Hallowe'en.

Fund Drive Committee: Steve reported on a phone message from Joy Walden who could not make tonight's meeting: Fund Drive Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, September 12. They wish to do the Fall Fund Drive from October 19th to November 2nd. Included as part of the fund drive they want to do a Hallowe'en party at the Royale on October 26th. It would be a community potluck Hallowe'en party. She needs volunteers to work on the fund drive answering phones, etc. She will meet with the programmers to talk about visiting each others' shows during the fund drive; Much discussion followed about whether or not Friday the 26th was a good night to have a party or not. No conclusion was drawn other than that the Board generally seemed to feel that the 27th would be a better night and Reagan volunteered to talk to Joy about it.

9.) Old Business:

a.) Patricia showed an unsigned IRS 990 form that Ryan had filled out for 2017 but never submitted. She was not comfortable with some of the entries, particularly listing Ken Wallace as Board VP last year. Also Steve Foss was listed as Secretary and yet he was in rehab in Tucson at the time the form was filled out. Her main issue is that she's uncomfortable signing the form that contains what she feels is misinformation. The Board said she should absolutely NOT sign a document that someone else filled out. Patricia will get clarification from Sue Logan and Steve Suby.

James Lacey made a motion that Patricia not sign the document. President Mahoney amended the motion to say that the form not be signed or sent in until Steve Suby has a chance to look it over and that it be sent to Eve (who wrote our IRS abatement letter) for her review and comment. Motion died for lack of a second so no official stance was adopted. However, the general feeling of the Board seemed to be that this is how the subject will be addressed.

- b.) KBRP Newsletter: Received very positive reactions from the Board.
- c.) Listener survey: needs to go on the website. Mitch discussed possible logistic problems with getting it on the site. He will talk to Bridget about it. It was generally agreed that the survey should be up for a month and should definitely be available during the fund drive and party.
- 10.) New Business: deferred to another meeting

At this time Reghida Khouri was introduced and gave a report on progress on the underwriter drive. She hasn't contacted any of the underwriters yet but, according to Patricia, 4 underwriters have re-upped: Red Shoes, Bisbee Bug, 55 Main, and Dr. Siobahn Jones' Vet 2 U Clinic. Patricia is talking to 3 other businesses; Mark Parsons wants to talk to Dylan's Bistro. Patricia has prepared a packet to take to the merchants. Reghida will ask Kay Lynn for more volunteers. No effort will be made to collect past payments. If someone chooses not to re-up, their ad will be taken off the air.

Next meeting is set for September 25th.
Meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM.
Respectfully submitted by:
Stephen R. Yoder Secretary