

ILLINOIS VALLEY PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

March 8, 2016 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Present: Chairman Joe Strupek, Maurice Bresnahan, Helen Barrick, Elwin Basquin (WebEx), Dr. John Day, Jerry Herbstreith, Rick Owens, Andrew Rand, Sally Snyder, Ashley Spain (WebEx), Russ Trowbridge
Staff –William Baker, Luann Claudin, Jerry Kolb, Mark Lasswell, Colleen Runkle, Stacey Tomczyk

Absent: Brian Chumbley, Jeff Huberman, Dr. Cynthia Fischer, Linda Huddle, Allen Mayer, Stephen Morris, Henry Vicary and Eric Turner.

Recognizing the presence of a quorum, Chairman Joe Strupek called the meeting to order at 4:08 PM.

Mr. Bresnahan introduced Colleen Runkle to the board as our new Director of Development.

In the first order of business, the minutes of several meetings were collectively moved for approval. These included the minutes for the Board of Directors meeting of 12/08/15 and the Executive Committee meeting of 12/03/15. Motion for acceptance was made by Mrs. Snyder, seconded by Dr. Day and passed unanimously.

Mr. Kolb presented the Financial Report. The December 2015 financials were presented and Mr. Kolb commented that the net income was \$115,106 better than plan year to date, but noted that most of that difference was due to favorable depreciation resulting from an overestimated budget amount. He stated that otherwise revenue was generally on target and expenses were in line with budgeted amounts. Motion to accept the Financial Report was made by Mr. Rand, seconded by Mr. Trowbridge and passed unanimously.

Then Mr. Bresnahan gave the President's Report, which included:

An update on the FCC spectrum auction. He stated that we were now in the FCC mandated "quiet period" which severely limits communications about the spectrum auction externally. He reminded the board members that their communications were included in this limitation. He also reminded them the auction process is schedule to begin in May.

The new Illinois Newsroom. This project is continuing to take shape and the station looks to provide production efforts and also looks to be a site for potential town-hall style discussions of current events in association with the collaborative.

WILL/WTVP Joint Production Project. The station has contributed several segments for SciTech Now and continues to look for opportunities for joint production projects.

PBS Kids. PBS is announcing a new 24/7 channel dedicated to educational children's programming. We expect to get more details at the upcoming PBS conference, but it represents a considerable commitment to children's content by PBS.

Mr. Herbstreith gave a brief report of the Pekin Friends of 47 group, including a recap of the recent bowl-a-thon. Fifty bowlers enjoyed participating in the event which raised over \$3,500 for the station.

As Mrs. Huddle was not in attendance, no report of the Galesburg Friends of 47 group was given.

Assistant Development Director/Auction Director Luann Claudin reported on events during the period, including screening events of the Downton Abbey season premiere. A farewell event is planned for this Sunday. She also mentioned that the annual Auction was coming up in April.

Executive Producer William Baker reported on recent production efforts, most notably "From Distilleries to Stills: Prohibition in Peoria". This show, hosted by Brian "Fox" Ellis examines Peoria distilling history and the effects of Prohibition on the town. This production was recently premiered at the Peoria Riverfront Museum, which is currently featuring an exhibit on Prohibition.

Interim Program Director Stacey Tomczyk reported on the upcoming offerings including the upcoming finale of Downton Abbey.

Mr. Strupek offered thanks to Mr. Bresnahan, the staff and the board. The meeting was adjourned at 5:21 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Maurice Bresnahan

President & CEO