

LOVE of KDHX
5.6.25 Board and Open Meeting Minutes

PRESENT: Karen Aroesty, Hound Dog Brown, Jeff Corbin, Nick Cowan, Lilian Claire Dodenhoff, Tom Flood, Kristin Gleich, Fred Gumaer, Kate Gumaer, Matty Dread, Lee Howland, Carlos G, Roy Kasten, Sunny Boy Mason, Jean Ponzi, Rich Reese, River Reinsch, Andrew Schoenfelder, X24, Sheila Shahpari, Anne Silverstein, Ital-K, bobEE Sweet, Rebecca Taylor, John Uhlemann, Barbara Uhlemann, Jon Valley, Walter Volz, Willa Volz, John Wendland

GUESTS: Dave Senay, Linda Martinez, Mark Abels, Stew Clark, Nicole Keitel, Mike Mangan, Lorelei D. Salser, Dave Fallert, Julia Schlegel, Randy Reece, Joan Featherston, J.J. Murphy, Mark Chechik, Kurt Dolan, Matt Distelrath, Ken Laster, Jamie McPheeters, Jenny Anderson, Bill Selbert, Tom McKenzie, L.R. Eck, Orestes Valdes, unknown

Ital-K called the meeting to order at 7:05PM and introductions were made. A quorum was present.

Jeff Corbin moved and Kate Gumaer seconded that we approve the minutes of the 4.29.25 Special Meeting as submitted. Motion passed.

bobEE Sweet and Linda Martinez explained the process to approve the business plan and the plan itself respectively. It will be presented to the bankruptcy court, the Coalition for KDHX and our major donor campaign. A draft will be distributed on May 7, comments made until May 10, and a final version incorporating suggestions and comments will be sent then and voting will end at Sunday midnight. bobEE will announce the results of the up-or-down vote on Monday, May 12th. **bobEE Sweet moved and Jean Ponzi seconded that we accept this process for approval of our business plan. Motion passed.**

Karen Aroesty and others provided a summary of yesterday's court hearing. The motion to lift the stay against KDHX was denied, but the judge took the motion to lift the stay against the individual directors under advisement. Gary Pierson unexpectedly testified and said in so many words that no viable alternative to selling the frequency has been put forth. The Bankruptcy Trustee rose to share a concern that may exist regarding information raised at the hearing. The Judge does have the ability to appoint a Trustee for more active engagement and review for a variety of reasons. The hearing on the 13th concerns a schedule for bidding on the frequency from K-LOVE and K-JOY, but it is not

likely to be set before June. Karen noted that we did file a petition with the FCC regarding the sale, with former DJ Wil Wander as the petitioner. Jean Ponzi also spoke at the hearing to stress how important KDHX is to the community. Guest Stewart Clark thanked her for her comments at the hearing.

Jon Valley noted that Contingency Response continues to work on new bylaws and budget. Roy Kasten noted they are also vetting possible future board members.

Roy Kasten noted we have already received \$600 for Give STL Day on May 8th and this counts toward our total. We are hoping to get \$10K through this mechanism. Roy noted it isn't too late to write letters to the bankruptcy judge and the information is on our website. The judge has received and is reading more than 80 letters from individuals to date.

Jon Valley reported on our initiative to encourage large and small businesses to commit to buying underwriting for the 2.0 version of KDHX. Please coordinate whom you plan to contact with Jon to avoid duplication.

Roy Kasten and Dave Senay reported on the Capital Campaign. We have \$1.5-2M as a goal. The ad hoc committee is finalizing the case for giving and reconciling that with the final version of the business plan. It should be ready to roll out the week of May 19th.

Roy engaged the group in a short exercise to generate leads for major giving and either the individuals who came up with the names or someone from the campaign will make the case for giving with the identified leads.

Jean Ponzi explained the components of the Coalition for KDHX to those present and encouraged participation from the listener/donor component, such as writing to the judge. Kate Gumaer encouraged everyone to maximize visibility on social media.

bobEE Sweet reported for Treasury that we took in \$42K in March and spent \$24K. April was our best month ever, when we took in \$203K and spent \$44K. Most of the expense is for attorney fees and this will continue. The court battle will be long and expensive. He also noted that we have significantly increased our monthly giving donations, now amounting to more than \$2K/month now. Finally, bobEE explained that they are cleaning up the membership rolls re paying dues, and members will get a final email about this before moving them to inactive status.

Kristin Gleich reported that 4 Hands Brewing has increased the LOVE of KDHX's share of sales when we spin at Taps and Tunes from 10% to 25%. These are once/month on

Thursdays beginning on May 15th and there is a possibility to participate more frequently. She also noted Matty Dread will take the first date on May 25th for Sundaze at Schlafly Bottleworks. These are 11AM-5PM. Kate Gumaer created a DJ Spins form for interested parties to complete. Tom Flood noted the STL Punk Rock Flea Market is accommodating us for their event on May 24th. Finally, Walter and Willa Volz reported on the June 14th bluegrass benefit concert at Pt. Labaddie Brewery with seven bands. They are still in need of volunteers for the event.

Guests were asked at this time to leave the meeting and the members went into executive session at 9:02PM. X24 led a discussion of legal issues and strategy. No action was taken. Executive session ended at 9:44PM.

Jeff Corbin moved and Roy Kasten seconded that next week's regularly scheduled committee meetings be preceded by a Special Meeting of not more than 30 minutes beginning at 7PM. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45PM

Jeff Corbin, Secretary
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