

LOVE of KDHX
6.17.25 Board Meeting Minutes

PRESENT: Hound Dog Brown, Andy Coco, Jeff Corbin, Nick Cowan, Allen Dahm, Tom Flood, Kristin Gleich, Fred Gumaer, Matty Dread, Dan Jaboor, Carlos Jove, Roy Kasten, Kip Loui, Steve Pick, Jean Ponzi, Rich Reese, X24, Anne Silverstein, Ital-K, Pablo Meshuggi, bobEE Sweet, Rebecca Taylor, Jackie Teuber, Jon Valley, Walter Volz, Willa Volz, John Wendland

Ital-K called the meeting to order at 7:10PM. A quorum was present. Jackie Teuber passed around a sympathy card for all to sign for Shelly Becker, whose husband, Ed passed away earlier today. Ed was the longtime host of *Songwriters Showcase* and was co-host of that show along with Larry Weir on KDHX. Willa Volz passed around cards for people to sign and be given to people who helped with the Bluegrass Benefit last Saturday, including the bands, the venue host and the Boles Fire Department.

Jeff Corbin moved and Rich Reese seconded that we approve the 6.3.25 Board and Open Meeting minutes as submitted. Motion passed.

X24 provided a legal update after consulting with our attorneys. He noted that the judge's final order has not yet been entered. We would have two weeks to file notice of appeal and stay of the order after that. We would need a new attorney who specializes in appeals, estimated cost--\$40K. Roy Kasten said we should investigate a possible *pro bono* representation in the appeal. The grounds for appeal in our case are very limited. A cash bond may be required and this would be set by the judge. Any objections of ours which are sustained on appeal results in the case being returned to the original judge. The appeal could take more than a year.

Roy Kasten reported that LOVE has terminated the contract with Gene Dobbs Bradford at this time to co-chair the capital campaign. Gene has been paid in full and the door was left open to re-engage his services at a later date should the need arise.

Roy Kasten emphasized some talking points about future fundraising that he had distributed earlier. These include a still-active GoFundMe effort, PayPal, Venmo, etc. and that we are still active in creating and collaborating on events in the community.

Kristin Gleich updated the group on a draft document which Kate Gumaer is working on which would provide rules and procedures for LOVE social media managers to use. Kate will have a draft to consider at our meeting in two weeks.

Roy Kasten proposed that LOVE explore our involvement with this year's iteration of Music at the Intersection (MATI). **Roy Kasten moved and Hound Dog Brown seconded that we meet**

with MATI Executive Director Chris Hansen to explore our possible involvement and explain LOVE's future goals. Motion passed. Jean Ponzi and Willa Volz abstained.

Pablo Meshuggi asked if members had information on AM microstations and whether this was a possibility for our future. Several members responded with information, but the group consensus was that future programming will still center around music and we need FM fidelity to do that well. Low Power FM was also discussed as a possibility, with the upside that it is fiscally doable. The downside is reaching a limited audience. Contingency Response will be exploring these and other options and bring them to the group.

The group entered into an extended discussion about who we are and what we want our future to look like. Each person offered their personal vision of a new community radio station. Among the characteristics we want in a new organization/operations are:

- Name and call letters are likely to be different
- FM frequency is most desirable, followed by streaming capacity and AM frequency
- Music will be the primary focus, with an expanded representation of community groups
- Talk shows will return to the schedule
- High level presence in the community
- Emphasis on local artists, music, events, etc.
- Continue as a non-commercial radio station
- Develop educational programs with community groups
- Develop relationships with arts organizations in the area
- A representative program committee that evaluates current programs and actively works to develop new ones
- A governance structure that is of, by and for the volunteers and community
- An active and representative Community Advisory Board which works with the governance structure to improve programming and operations.

Walter and Willa Volz provided a summary of the bluegrass festival last Saturday at Point Labadie Brewery. In addition to the money from the gate, t-shirt sales and 50/50 raffles, Point Labadie Brewery made a \$500 donation. Everyone was pleased with the event, which netted \$3696. Great job, W & W!

Other events in June include a DJ spin with Rich Reese and John Wendland at The Royale on the 21st, and the Sundaze DJ spin at Schlafly Bottleworks on the 22nd with Caron House and Jackie Teuber.

bobEE Sweet reviewed the application from Rich Mueller to become a member of LOVE. Rich was unanimously approved as a member of LOVE.

Jeff Corbin noted that all of our meetings in July will be at the VFW. He also asked whether we need to designate next week's meeting as a Special one. Since we can call one quickly with three of five officers approving, we will do that if it becomes necessary; otherwise, next week's meeting will just be committees.

Willa Volz moved and Roy Kasten seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:04PM

Jeff Corbin, Secretary
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