

KSPS Board of Directors Meeting May 26, 2022

Members Present: Jeff Adams, Addy Hatch, Craig Gracyalny, Rosemary Selinger, Marti D'Agostino, Roberta Brooke, Shannon Scheiwiller, Judith DeForest, Kristi Meyer, Don Anderson

Members Absent: James Alexie, Kim Lloyd (?), Klay Dyer, Vincent Alfonso, Jon Heideman

Staff Present: Gary Stokes, Dawn Bayman, Sandra Kernerman, Jim Zimmer

Guests: Vicki Clark, NETA Business Center

Call to order: 4:47, quorum present

Minutes: Rosemary motion/Roberta 2nd. No corrections or changes motion passes unanimously.

Financials: KSPS has gone through several accountants in the last several years, and has brought in an outside firm with expertise in accounting at PBS stations. However, accounting is catching up and there will be a proposal to move the budget meeting to August this year only.

Civics Bowl:

- We were able to debut this new show with a grant from Avista, with Leila Isaacson as producer extraordinaire. WGBH helped with advice after producing a Knowledge Bowl for 13 years. The League of Women Voters worked on questions. KSPS had excellent partnerships on this initiative.
- We learned by doing - including that desks turn into drums and reverberated throughout the studio. The pace of producing three shows a day was difficult but students were only given two days out of school to participate.
- There was discussion of expanding the concept to Canada, but that would be difficult and expensive.
- Media Coverage
 - Spokane Public Radio: <https://www.spokanepublicradio.org/regional-news/2022-05-25/public-tv-quiz-show-brings-a-little-sizzle-to-civics>
 - Spokesman-Review: <https://www.spokesman.com/stories/2022/apr/29/civics-bowl/>
 - (Public Media) Current: <https://current.org/2022/05/ksp-s-launches-quiz-show-to-reinforce-civics-education/>

General Manager's Report: More discussion of budget administration challenges over the past few months. NETA Business Center should have the backlog sorted out and have KSPS's fiscal operations back on track by Sept. 1. Gary complimented the staff's flexibility in dealing with these challenges.

Development:

- Career Explorer NW is very busy, catching up on filming when that wasn't possible because of COVID.
- Dawn and Sarah are heading to Calgary in June on donor visits.
- Paperwork has been completed for a new investment policy statement, which will be a good tool for potential donors.

Committee Reports:

- Workforce Development: Will merger with the greater Community Committee to avoid redundancy.
- Development: Working on a board giving policy.
- Governance: Working on a slate of candidates to fill upcoming vacancies and reviewing policies.

The Board went into executive session at 5:36 p.m. to discuss finance matters.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:02.