

KSPS Community Advisory Board June 13, 2019, 4pm
KSPS Studios, KSPS Board Room

CAB members attending in person: Becka Shelley (Chair), Consuelo Larrabee (Vice-Chair), Vanessa Strange (Secretary), James Albrecht, Terrie Ashby-Scott, Shaun Higgins

Member attending by video conferencing: Bob Morrison

Members Absent: Emily Geddes

KSPS staff attending: Gary Stokes (General Manager), Cary Balzer (Program Director)

Public attendees: none

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 4:11 pm.

At 4:11 pm, the minutes from the May 9, 2019 meeting were approved (motion: Consuelo, second: James) Vanessa will forward them to Dawn to be posted on the KSPS website, in compliance with the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) requirements, and to Monica Samper, Friends of KSPS board secretary, in compliance with the bylaws.

General Manager's Report and Discussion

- Gary and Cary attended the PBS Annual Meeting in Nashville
- Ken Burns' *Country Music* was the feature, and a highlight included a new children's show, *Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum*, based on Brad Meltzer books
- *Downton Abbey Live* 3 hour live event coming up
- PBS board meeting will be in Houston, TX
- The budget will be presented to the finance committee in the next couple of weeks, and then the main board for approval
- KSPS won a regional Emmy
- The Sandpoint/Baldy transmitter is having significant technical issues, as is the Missoula transmitter

Programming Director's Report and Discussion

- Over 1400 attendees at the PBS Annual Meeting and Conference in Nashville
- The streaming channel will be ready soon
- Movies shown on KSPS will likely not be on the streaming service due to broadcasting rights restrictions
- *Chasing the Moon* July 8-10 at 9pm and repeats throughout the month, and a local event at the SFCC planetarium this weekend
- *Xavier Riddle* premieres in November
- The new national programming director is planning quarterly themed initiatives
- Upcoming programs- *Independent Lens: Made in Boise*, *Nova: Polar Extremes*, *Clifford the Big Red Dog* will return, *Eleanor Wonders Why*, *Molly of Denali*
- Kids 24/7 channel- children are watching 22 hours per month on average

- 2021 is the 50th anniversary of Masterpiece

Around-the-table comments

- James started a discussion on AmazonSmile, including encouraging people to choose KSPS as their charity on AmazonSmile
- Consuelo mentioned that her friend with young children keeps PBS Kids 24/7 on exclusively in their household
- Vanessa reminded everyone that there is a sports exhibit at the downtown library from June 22-Aug 3 and accompanying activities.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:33 p.m. The next CAB meeting will be held on Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 4pm at the KSPS studios.

Action items

- Vanessa will forward the approved May minutes to Dawn and Monica