

Meeting Minutes

Community Advisory Board Meeting

June 7, 2021

Formal Agenda -- 5:00 – 5:30 pm

The WBGO Story, Bright Moments from Newark to the World” and Panel - 5:30 - 7:00 pm

Virtual Meeting

Present: J. Riman, Chair; M. Bess; B. Hines; M. McDonough; A. Montague; P. Morgan, Vice-Chair; B. Pulliam; S. Schear, Secretary

Absent: L. Caldwell Epps, WBGO Board of Trustee Liaison; R. Glover; J. Harris; C. Jackson

WBGO: S. Williams, WBGO President & CEO; B. Wood, Marketing Manager; B. Ottenhoff; Sheila Anderson; S. Brewer; D. Doyle; K. Faircloth; R. Hamilton; L. Harrison; I. McClain; J. Newcott; R. Turner

Invited Guest: V. Donaldson; D. Kirk

Meeting began at 5:03 pm.

Minutes from last meeting were approved: Mark Bess moved for approval; seconded by Mike McDonough.

Jeffrey Riman, Chair’s Report:

- Jeffrey provided the link to the CAB and provided the mission to all. Jeffrey reminded the audience of the CAB application process with a reminder that CAB members must be WBGO members and must disclose any personal relationships with staff or Directors of WBGO. Next meeting **September 13 (corrected date) at 5:00 pm.**
- Jeffrey mentioned two initiatives spawned by the CAB – The Musician’s Directory and The Youth Jazz Appreciation Council.
- Jeffrey thanked the CAB and WBGO

Steve Williams, President and CEO’s Report:

- Steve Williams claimed success for the fundraiser! Steve highlighted Roslyn Turner -- Roslyn to give quick recap, over 1500 people, over 500 alone on Saturday, used tech provided by Chris Tobin, had first contest for Newport, had increase in sustainer members, announcers, media, TEAM WBGO made it a success! – did it in the quickest turnaround – just had a fundraiser a few months ago, met another goal!
- Virtual Fundraiser – Roslyn Turner, Brandy Wood, John Newcott – co-chairs for June 17th event. John spoke about the fundraiser – capture spirit of TEAM WBGO! One-day shoot at 54 Park Place, ambitious undertaking, first time for many to see each other since the pandemic, put on film, create something that addresses that spirit, only \$20.00 members, \$30.00 non-members. Just shored up corporate sponsors, WBGO announcers, and phenomenal musicians – “See Your FACE in the Place”
- Doing many things to relate to outside Park Place – News Voices – funded by the Dodge Foundation and Victoria Foundation – innovative approach to community journalism – working closely with Doug Doyle – two different groups – wonderful stories – musician and an artist – James Frazier – a natural per Doug, Stories about people formally incarcerated, people without home, produced content that they never expected – Brit Harley – became trained, now she has other reporters, -- formed the Newark News and Story Collaborative – Newarknews.com

- Steve recognized Bob Porter – moment of silence, his influence, spirit and all that he meant to Newark and the world lives on....

Formal meeting adjourned at 5:33 pm.

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Respectfully submitted minutes,

Susan Schear, Secretary

September 11, 2021

The next meeting is September 13, 2021, at 5 pm

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