

Northeast Indiana Public Radio, Inc. Monthly Meeting of the Board of Directors

Monday, February 24, 2025 Allen County Public Library, Alan McMahon Meeting Room

- 1. Call to Order of the Monthly Meeting of the Board of Directors 5:31pm Tom Boyer, Chair
 - a. Introductions and Establishment of Board Quorum:
 - Attendance: Tom Boyer, Chair; Ethan Brown, Treasurer; Kim Fenoglio, Secretary; Heather Riggle, Vice Chair; Jared Harvey, Mary Margaret Jackson, Dodd Kattman, Molly Kiefer, Mike McCartin, Melinda Perry, John O'Rourke, Irene Paxia, Angel Suttle, Courtney Tritch, Audrey Van Gilder
 - ii. Staff: Travis Pope
 - b. Public Comment online
 - i. Input in the comment forum was overwhelmingly positive; two minor negative comments
 - c. Mission Moment
 - i. Travis
 - 1. Our comment forms, which will take the place of mission moment, were overwhelmingly positive
 - 2. Vines and Voices is coming up. Travis has asked the board to share the event on social media. It is a new format this year and we need it to be successful..
 - ii. Irene
 - 1. Irene thanked Travis and WBOI for allowing her to take part in the story on local immigrants and giving a voice to an often voiceless population. Travis noted the advanced storytelling techniques used in the piece.
 - d. Consent Agenda Tom
 - i. February Staff Report, January Board Meeting Minutes, January Financials, Governance Committee Meeting Minutes
 - ii. Motion Dodd. Second Mike. Carried.
- 2. Finance Report Ethan
 - a. Reference submitted reports.
 - b. December was a great membership month providing a nice revenue boost
 - e. We are up \$37,000 from same period last year with a better cash on hand position
 - We remain in the negative \$152,000. New bequest is helpful in mitigating that
- 3. Strategy Briefing Travis
 - a. The staff is readying for the Spring Membership Drive 3/19-3/28
 - b. Vines & Voices planning is well underway. High expectations for event
 - c. Travis presented four budget strategies dependent upon federal and state funding decisions via slide deck
- 4. Jefferson Building Status
 - a. BZA approved issues for new owners; awaiting closing date to be scheduled
 - i. Deep gratitude to Dodd, Audrey, and Tom for attending the BZA meeting
 - b. Melinda suggests asking Zacher to trade commission for advertising dollars

5. Governance

- a. In accordance with the by-laws, the Governance Committee nominated John O'Rourke to join the WBOI Board of Trustees and to continue his existing term. Call for motion.
 - i. Motion Tom. Second Audrey.

Meeting Adjourned 6:16 by Tom Boyer.

Next board meeting will be April 28, 2025 at 5:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Kim Fenoglio, Secretary