



KBBI Board of Directors

10/15/2025, 5:30pm

Porcupine Theater and Zoom, and On-Air AGENDA

We provide news, information, and entertainment to foster community engagement.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Acknowledgement of Public Attendees
4. Approval of the Minutes from 9/17/2025 BOD Meeting
5. Director Election Results and Certification, Designation of Officers
6. Staff Reports
 - a. General Manager's Report and Objectives Review
 - i. Honor Cristy Fry for 43 years of volunteering
7. Board Reports
 - a. Structure of Boards, Committees, and Workgroups
 - b. Community Advisory Board Report
 - c. Governance Committee
 - d. Finance Committee
 - e. Development Committee
 - f. Invitation to Participate and Volunteer
8. Business
 - a. Bylaws Revision to remove Article XI and dissolve the Community Advisory Board
 - b. Meeting Schedule
9. Closing Comments
 - a. Public Attendees
 - b. Manager and Staff
 - c. CAB Members
 - d. Board Members

Next Meeting: 11/19/2025, 5:30pm, KBBI Boardroom, and Zoom

KBBI BOD ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES OCT.15, 2025

- 1) Meeting called to order by President Kyle Schneider at 5:37 p.m. Board members physically present are: Kyle, Cindy Bolognani, Mel Strydom and Angie Newby
Board Members on Zoom: Jack Cushing There is a quorum. Excused board members are: Jo Michalski, Bill Wuestenfeld and Mike Brittain Also physically present are General Manager Josh Krohn and newly elected BOD member Linda Franklin. There are several public attendees. The meeting was held at the Porcupine Theatre with the band Cosmic Creature Club scheduled to play after the business meeting.
- 2) Approval of Agenda: Angie moves to approve, Mel 2nds, no objections, no discussion.
- 3) Acknowledgement of public attendees by Kyle. Too numerous to name.
- 4) Approval of minutes from Sept.17, 2025 BOD meeting: Angie moves to approve, Mel 2nds, no objections or discussion.
- 5) Election results and Certification, Designation of Officers: Josh reports that 241 votes were cast, which meets and exceeds the required 10% of current members Mel and Jack were reelected to another 3 year term and Linda Franklin elected as the newest member of the board. Kyle led the nomination and election of officers. Secretary: Angie nominated Cindy, Cindy accepted and was approved unanimously, Treasurer: Cindy nominated Mel, Angie 2nd, Mel accepted and was approved unanimously, Vice President: Angie nominated Bill, and was approved unanimously, President: Cindy nominated Kyle, Kyle accepted and was approved unanimously.
- 6) Staff Reports

General Manager: 9/18 Additional Community Service Grant funds received from CPB, both designated and undesignated, the last of 2025 disbursements 9/19 AK General Managers meeting, discussed grants and legacy giving 9/24 Homer City Council candidate forum broadcast from Homer Public Library, Simon Lopez hosting with Chloe Pleznac. 9/25 Emergency Transport Survey report #1 filed with the FCC.
9/25 Seward City Council Forum at Seward Public Library hosted by Simon Lopez
10/3 AK GM meeting, discussing fundraising and drive strategies
10/9 Streaming logs for 2025 Q3 submitted to NPR, shows how many listeners are on our webcast 10/9 Issues and Programs Report completed, would be due on 10/10 but FCC website down during government shutdown. 10/9 CAB meeting: discussion regarding that it is no longer a requirement per CPB and dissolving CAB
Josh read a statement from Simon Lopez on behalf of the News Department with a brief rundown of activities over the past year and how the newsroom depends on listener support.
Josh read a statement from Matt Stroebel, Program Director, KBBI has been able to maintain our current level of programming. We have 20 DJ's on the air with more being trained. Looking for a volunteer Music Librarian to help process new music coming in to the station and maintain current music collection. Volunteer DJ's and their programs acknowledged and thanked individually. A special thanks for Christy Fry after 43 years, the longest volunteer DJ at the station who's last show will be the end of this month.
- 7) Board Reports: Kyle talks about the structure of the board, including the committees and work groups. Reports on the Governance, Finance and Development committees, mostly looking for sources of funding, the most recent fund raiser exceeded the goal of

\$50,000 with current total about \$52,000. Between that and the drive in August and continuing contributions, we have money to carry forward to next year. So far, we have raised \$178,000 compared to last year at this time which was \$18,000. April 2026 fund drive goal \$30,000. We will continue with annual audits. Josh says he did hear back from grant applications, turned down for several of them, Press Forward application is being considered and Report for America, application has been accepted. Development Committee has been discussing building up membership and board members. Kyle encourages people to become board members and/or volunteer to help plan events.

CAB report from Josh. Recent meeting Oct.9 was mainly discussion around the need for the CAB to exist, looked at changing bylaws since the CAB no longer required, but because it is an important function fold these people into a subcommittee focused around outreach and contact with the public. All CAB members supported dissolving the CAB and unanimously supported the creation of a new committee.

8) New Business: Bylaws Revision to remove Article XI dissolving the Community Advisory Board. Mel moves to approve the revision, Angie 2nds, Angie says she wants to make it clear that the suggestion came from the CAB itself and that they feel they would better serve the membership as a new committee, Kyle says at first he was hesitant, but now feels like its appropriate, Josh reminds us that members of committees only need to be members KBBI to join a committee. Motion to strike the CAB from bylaws approved unanimously. Altered bylaws will be on the website for review starting tomorrow and for the next 30 days as required to give public opportunity to comment. Meeting Schedule: Do we want to continue having all 3 committee meetings at the same time? Board consensus is yes. Next Finance, Governance, and Development Committee meetings will be Monday Nov.3 at 4:30. Next BOD meeting 11/19/25 5:30 p.m.

9) Closing Comments: Public member Wayne Adderhold reports that Claire at Homer Saw and Cycle and Wayne donated a new Stihl lawn mower and weed whacker. Josh: thank you for attending the annual meeting, first one in public in 5 years, rather than just on air and Zoom. First year using electronic voting, better voter response and cheaper. Thanks to the community for supporting the station after the loss of Federal funding. Josh says he chooses to look at it as an opportunity and has seen an upswing in volunteers. There are many more things volunteers can do or if you have ideas, contact Josh. The community's financial support is extraordinary. The gap has been more than covered with enough to carry forward next year. Voices Across Alaska funds still pending. Looking at more business underwriting. Jo Michalski hosted a fund raiser in Anchorage. 30 attendees all contributed. Next summer will focus more on summer residents/visitors, so fund drives in June and August. Getting close to 1,000 members. In December there will be a different type of fund drive focusing on Foundation accounts for long term financial security. May take several years to get to goal of \$5 million. Thanks to Linda for joining the board.

Jack: no comments Linda: happy to be here, thanks for everyone's encouragement looking forward to being a part of it

Angie: first year on the board and enlightening to see the leadership of Josh and the existing board as they work through the loss of federal funding, the station is in good hands, we are putting community into community radio, many different ways to

volunteer. Encourages fellow business owners to contribute. Is grateful for being on the board.

Cindy: thanks to the community for coming out in support, thanks to Josh for being such an awesome manager and his staff's professionalism, thanks to the Cosmic Creature Club for playing music for us tonight Mel: echoes what Cindy said, thanks community and Josh and the great staff, please continue supporting public radio, thanks board members for all their work. Kyle: thanks to the membership, supporting community public radio, says when he first joined the board he helped write the mission statement that KBBI provides news, information and entertainment to foster community engagement. We have seen that this year. It is incredible to be a part of. Thanks to prior members of the board for your help. Thanks to Josh and his staff for keeping the station up and running and weathering the storm. Encourages more youth participation in public radio. Spend the time to listen to other shows, open up your horizons. This is truly our community radio station.

Motion to adjourn by Angie, 2nd by Mel Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:24 p.m.