

KVNF Board of Directors Meeting

Date: Monday, September 21, 2026

Location: Decker Community Room | 675 Clinton Street, Ridgway

Members Present: Greg Krush, President; Anne Karsian, Vice President; Greg Stunder, Treasurer; Melissa Newell, Secretary; Annette Choszczyk, Sue Westervelt, Drew McCracken, Paul Frazier (virtual)

Members Absent: Sara Johnstone

Staff Present: Ashley Krest, Brody Wilson

Guests Present: Meg O'Shaughnessy

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 PM by President Greg Krush.

I. Public Comment

- A. Meg O'Shaughnessy provided public comment.

II. Meeting Minutes of July 2026

- A. Minutes were reviewed. Drew McCracken moved to accept the July minutes, and Melissa Newell seconded the motion. Minutes were unanimously approved.

III. Financial Report presented by Board of Directors (BOD) Treasurer Greg Stunder for period ending July 2026

- A. The station has exceeded \$1 million in revenue for the first time in its history (\$1,035,000 to be exact).
- B. There are some minor budget variances including capital spending and construction costs, contract labor, credit card and bank charges (this is a good thing; it means the station is receiving more donations than expected), miscellaneous, and legal and accounting.

IV. Governance Committee Report presented by committee chairperson Anne Karsian

- A. There are three individuals interested in running for two vacancies on the BOD in the October 2026 election.
 - 1. The KVNF news team may (or may not) interview them—this is up to the news team. Program Director Brody Wilson reports that they typically do, asking each candidate the same slate of questions.
- B. Ballots will be posted on September 27.

V. GM Report as presented by General Manager Ashley Krest (in addition to her written report)

- A. Punk on the Unc was hugely successful.
 - 1. At first glance, the event brought in approximately \$13,000. The station spent \$11,500, not including labor. This means KVNF more than broke even.
 - 2. Ashley's best guesstimate is that there were 300-400 people in attendance.
- B. Another first: KVNF now has 12 months of operating expenses on reserve.

C. There was discussion on the possibility of health insurance coverage for staff. Options have been explored, but it doesn't seem like much of a viable option at this time due to expense.

D. A discussion was had on other employee benefits, salary increases, bonuses, and the new Simple IRA program that is set to begin next year.

VI. Strategic Plan and Business Initiative presented by Brody Wilson

A. A comprehensive quarterly review of KVNF's strategic plan progress was presented.

B. An overview of Brody's AI tool/business initiative was presented. An in-depth discussion followed, considering pros and cons; Brody answered all BOD questions.

1. Drew McCracken moved to form a committee to further explore this possibility with Brody; Annette Choszczyk seconded this. The motion was unanimously approved.

a) Members of the committee will be: Greg Krush, Drew McCracken, Annette Choszczyk, and Ashley Krest.

VII. Other Committee Reports

A. Program Committee presented by BOD President Greg Krush

1. The program committee is working on DJ evaluations and is exploring potential program updates, on Thursdays especially.

B. Personnel Committee

1. Updates will be discussed in executive session.

VIII. Annual Meeting

A. The meeting will be held on Monday, October 26, at the Cedaredge Civic Center. There will be no food, drinks, or entertainment program. The agenda will follow a similar format to last year's.

IX. New Business

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X. Next Board Meeting

A. The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on Monday, October 26 at 5:30 PM at the Cedaredge Civic Center.

Melissa Newell moved to adjourn the meeting and move into executive session, and Anne Karsian seconded the motion. President Greg Krush adjourned the meeting at 7:15 PM.

Melissa Newell moved to adjourn the executive session, and Anne Karsian seconded the motion. President Greg Krush adjourned the executive session at 7:48 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Melissa Newell, Secretary