

## **Meeting Minutes**

Community Advisory Board Meeting  
September 7, 2022  
Formal Agenda -- 5:03 – 5:40 pm  
Effects of COVID on Jazz Artists– 5:40 – 6:30 pm

### **Virtual Meeting**

**Present:** P. Morgan, Chair; B.Baulkman; B. Hines; C. Jackson; A. Manns; A. Montague; J. Woodson, Secretary

**Excused:** Mark Bess; Jackie Harris; Becker Pullman

**Absent:** Ronald Glover; Peter Kyriacopoulou

**WBGO:** S. Williams, President and CEO; S. Anderson; N. Chinen; L. Harrison; J. Johnson; J. Newcott; M. Ralph-Rawls; P. Slaten; S. Smith

**Meeting began at 5:03 pm.**

**Welcome: Roll call and Approval of minutes.**

Minutes from last meeting were approved and accepted.

**Please direct questions to the Chat.**

**Barbara Hines paid tribute to Michael Borne the Bio of his Life and Legacy was read.**

**Pamela Morgan requested a moment of silence for our deceased friends Michael Borne, Joey DeFrancesco, Lamont Dozier and other artists lost during this period.**

**Pamela Morgan, Chair's Report:**

- Pamela shared tonight's agenda.
- Pam shared that Michael McDonough has moved and he will no longer serve on the CAB Board. We now have 3 vacancies. Please let her know if you know of any possible candidates.
- Immediately following the next 3 CAB meetings the board will sponsor programs highlighting various topics:
  - December - New Orleans
  - March - Womens History Month
  - June - Pride Month

**Steven A. Williams, President, and CEO, Updates on WBGO Activities and Initiatives:**

- Steve applauded Pamela Morgan for the amount of WBGO Staff attending this meeting.

- Steve welcomed his Team along with David Antoine and Lezlie Harrison, and a Kudos to Phyllis for all she does.
- Steve spoke fondly of Michael Borne and advised that the station will continue to play tributes to him.
- Steve introduced Lee Mergner (formally of JazzTimes), has accepted the position of Editorial Content Producer.
- Steve announced that we are moving into the kick-off of 2 weekends of fund-raising.
  - Roslyn Turner Theme "Because You Listen You Should Support.
  - John Newcott - Spread the Word and Donate.
  - Karl Frederic - Happy to Be Here - We are growing.

Open Secrets - Relocation, Capital Campaign and the need to increase our endowment.
- Steve spoke on the renovation of the old antenna on 42nd street in NYC.

#### **Q&A with the CEO**

- Barbara Hines inquired - What is market share?  
Steve replied, it is data (PPM) more listening, increase in audience.
- Question was asked any new trends? Steve replied, yes WBGO is on the vanguard leading the way.
- Grace Hackett - What can be done to hear more of her favorite performer played Antoinette Montague?  
Response by Antoinette Montague - Thank you, but let's champion for all galvanize and come together.
- Andrew Manns concerns about the NYC Tower. There are still folks in Harlem that cannot tune-in due to lack of signals.  
David Antoine responded part of the problem is the pirating of music and the geography. Also the FCC enforcement is just not there, causing problems for some Brooklyn, Bronx and Westchester counties.

#### **Other:**

- Lee Mergner spoke, he is happy to be with WBGO and welcomes input for the website.
- Prior to adjourning, Pamela thanked everyone for attending and participating. With a special thank you for the collaboration on this evenings sponsored program "Effects of COVID on Jazz Artists".

**Adjournment:**

- Meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm.

**This meeting was immediately followed by a CAB sponsored “Effects of COVID on Jazz Artists” curated by Karen Kennedy, Antoinette Montague, Bobby Sanabria, Carrie Jackson and Emmett Cohen.**

Respectfully submitted minutes,

Joyce Woodson, Secretary

The next WBGO CAB meeting is on December 5th, at 5 pm.

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