

KVNF Board of Directors Meeting

Date: Monday, July 20, 2026

Location: Police Station Community Room | 434 South 1st Street, Montrose

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

Members Absent: -

Staff Present: Ashley Krest

Guests Present: Stephen Keenan, Rick Stayner, Deb Stayner

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Greg Krush.

I. Public Comment

- A. No public comment.

II. Meeting Minutes of May 2026

- A. Minutes were reviewed. Paul Frazier moved to accept the May minutes, and Sara Johnstone seconded the motion. Minutes were unanimously approved.

III. Financial Report

- A. Treasurer Greg Stunder presented a high level review of financial numbers as of May 2026 when the Finance Committee last met:
 - 1. Total revenue to date=\$845,000; budgeted annual revenue=\$790,000. Exceeded annual budget by ~\$55,000 with approximately two months of fiscal year remaining. This revenue includes one anonymous \$100,000 gift.
 - 2. Grant income is ~\$40,000 higher than budgeted for fiscal year
 - 3. Membership income is ~\$105,000 higher than budgeted for fiscal year
 - 4. Expenses: tracking for the year
 - a) Contract labor, credit card, and bank charges will likely be over budget for the year, but nothing concerning, per Finance Committee.

IV. GM Report, as presented by General Manager Ashley Krest

- A. There will be some restructuring of staff responsibilities with the departure of James Barr. Jennifer Matamoros will pick up additional hours and will now be full-time, and there will be a new part-time hire for events and communications, rather than this work being contracted, as it has been recently. Hiring for this position will start sometime in August, with an anticipated start date of October, at the start of the new fiscal year.
- B. It is expected that FY27 annual expenses will go up by approximately \$103,000 for the station.

V. Other Committee Reports

- A. Nomination Committee

1. Ashley provided an overview of the committee's meeting history and the proposed bylaw amendment that the committee arrived at, which is included in the meeting packet.
2. The annual KVNF membership meeting is set for Monday, October 26, 2026, and the Board of Directors must vote whether to bring this proposed bylaw amendment to the meeting as a board-supported amendment to the 2020 bylaws.
3. It was decided that not all BOD members had the opportunity to review the proposed bylaw change prior to the meeting and a vote will be taken by email no later than Monday, July 27.
 - a) *Addendum: A vote was taken by email following the meeting, and the BOD approved the proposed bylaw amendment unanimously.*
4. At the meeting, the BOD discussed how nominating committee membership will be handled in year one. It is suggested that the BOD notify membership (with the annual meeting notice) of the preliminary bylaw and ask membership to express interest in the case it does pass.

B. Governance Committee

1. The BOD will need to replace two members, Paul Frazier and Sara Johnstone, in the 2026 elections.
2. Committee chairperson Anne Karsian requested input on ideal skills for new BOD members. It was agreed that media literacy and finance background would be valuable.
3. PSAs advertising the board positions will start running on air immediately, and letters of interest by potential candidates are due by September 11.

C. Personnel Committee

1. A general manager review was sent to staff. Not everyone has responded yet—a reminder will be sent with responses due by August 1, 2026.

VI. Board Recruitment

- A. See above under the Governance Committee report.

VII. New Business

A. Programming Committee

1. Melissa Newell will begin attending these meetings as the BOD liaison next month. Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month. Anne Karsian and Greg Krush will notify Brody Wilson of this change.

- B. Anne Karsian provided commendations for the station's coverage of the Gold Mountain Fire.

VIII. Next Board Meeting

- A. The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on Monday, September 21 at 5:30 PM in Ridgway at the Library Meeting Room .

Paul Frazier moved to adjourn the meeting, and Melissa Newell seconded the motion. President Greg Krush adjourned the meeting at 6:54 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Newell, Secretary