

**WCUW 91.3FM**  
**910 MAIN STREET, WORCESTER MA 01610**

**Board of Directors meeting: TUESDAY – Jan. 17, 2023 @ 7:30**

**Attending:** Greg, Darren, Rick, Mitch, Uma, Bill, John, David, Nick

**Not attending:** Tania, Tupac

**AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER at 7:35 by Darren, who reported that**
  - a. An email greeting went out from the Chair to all the station's volunteers updating them on the state of renovations.**
  - b. Now we have to follow out those who didn't receive the email...**
  
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from Dec. 27, 2022 – Approved, unanimously.**
  
- 3. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - a. Community Development & Fund-Raising – Darren**
    - a. Contact has been made with the Worc. Railers. Darren will be exploring possibilities for mutual promotion next week.**
    - b. Next month, Darren will get back to the WooSox.**
    - c. Together with the HR committee, CommDev will begin working on a community building, appreciation day for our volunteers.**
  - b. Infrastructure – Greg**
    - a. Greg shared a PowerPoint on the current plan for the renovations to the studios. [SEE ATTACHED]**
    - b. We've engaged a consultant, Miles Smith, to help us choose the broadcast equipment we need.**
    - c. The total for equipment so far is \$14,013; with installation: \$16,013.**
    - d. The studio renovations will add another \$6,536.**
    - e. That leaves the electrical work, HVAC controls and lighting fixtures – and just over \$4,000 to cover those costs.**
    - f. Mitch raised the issue of a maintenance budget (we need one).**



- b. Rick made a motion to remove Tupac from the Board, according to the By-Laws, as he's missed consecutive meetings several times over.**
  - i. Darren will speak with him, per the By-Laws**
  - ii. And we'll make a decision at the next meeting, hopefully welcoming Tupac back. He's been an asset when present.**

**5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Troy**

- a. The sign's up and Troy is hoping someone can lend a hand with programming the sign.**
- b. Looks like we'll be receiving funds from the Mass Cultural Council which will cover a couple of events in the FrontRoom: Les Sampou and John Solaperto**
- c. Troy is gathering a list of possible grant sources. He'll send it**
- d. The heat: this has become an issue. The problem is the cost of heating a drafty building.**
  - i. The back door is a particular problem, but**
  - ii. There's an old window well that needs to be glassed or bricked in before it will really hold the warm air.**
  - iii. Nick volunteered to hit Home Depot and pick up some plastic, weather=stripping, and whatever is needed to address the situation on a shoestring.**
- e. We're running tight on cash flow. Any support we might lend would be appreciated... [donations were pledged]**
- f. We are grateful for a bequest from Harold Stevens that we should see sometime this spring. We don't know how much we'll receive yet, but it will be a boost in any case.**
- g. There was discussion of grants, including a couple that Troy's looking at.**
  - i. Mitch mentioned "Bloomerang", a fund-raising tool.**
  - ii. The CommDev Comm. will take the lead in getting a better handle on grant-writing efforts, as we voted last time.**
- h. Motion by Greg, second by Bill: that we raise Aaron White's salary from \$175/mo. To \$210/mo. After some debate over the size of the increase, the motion passed 7 – 2 with one abstention.**

**6. ADJOURNMENT – Darren motioned to adjourn around 9:30; Rick seconded, and the vote was unanimous.**