**KUTE Inc**
**KSUT Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes**
May 12, 2021

Meeting called to order (via ZOOM) at 5:38 pm.

Members present: Robert, Rick, Kree, Trennie, Buz
Members absent: Gary (excused), Eddie, Bruce.

Meeting agenda approved unanimously. April minutes approved unanimously.

Executive Director report:

1. COVID-19 Update: minimal resistance to vaccination among staff. Concerns for vaccine equity and hesitancy voiced by board members, and strategy for overcoming such reluctance discussed, including getting respected voices to speak for vaccination. Board encouraged to share ideas on strategy. 2 grants received solely for this purpose.
2. Media Center Update: good progress, installation of equipment nearly complete.
3. Board Member Update: Rick Gore will step down from role as Finance Committee chair, but is willing to remain on Board and assist with transition to new committee chair.
4. Mid-year budget revisions approved.
5. Festivals: Parties in the Park, with the Motet and AfroBeatniks playing both, proceeding without problems. Four Corners Folk Festival lineup to be announced in June, with the Festival being opened by the Yellow Jacket Singers. Finders and Youngberg 5 will replace Old Salt Union. Board members were encouraged by Tami to volunteer for these events.
6. Four Corners News Page, a 30 minute news program, coordinated by Mark Dugan and covering national and local news events, as well as important upcoming events, will air every Friday morning at 8:30 AM starting July 5. It will be offered as a podcast as well, an important feature, especially for fundraising.
7. Grants: numerous grants received, including $256,000 from American Relief Act via CPB, allowing KSUT to pay off its $200,000 loan with Alpine Bank in mid-May, with all expenses related to new building project paid off. New grant requests reviewed, including Colorado Creative Industries "Space to Create", State of CO stimulus funds, Gay and Lesbian Fund, and 3 Green Assistance funds. Other grants from Colorado Humanities and Colorado Health Foundation will be pursued.
8. Four Corners Monthly Report:

Programming and Digital: Sarah Flower's five-part series "Speaking Grief" recently aired; KSUT in-person interview with Gov Polis also aired; discussion and planning for weekly news "magazine" begun; Grove Integration pushed back to July.
Tech and Operations: CD shelving nearing completion; XLR panel retro-fitting should be competed early next week; Ken Brott and Scott are training on new mix console for live performances.

9. Tribal Radio: see printed report.
10. Committees: Finance: Rick to step down from Chair, and Mike May to assume this position in the future.

11. Board Document Storage and File Mgmt: Google Drive has been chosen by Mike and Tami as the best fit for our purposes, and Mike will begin installing this software in the near future

Minutes compiled by Buz Bricca.

Next Meeting: June 9, 2021, by Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM