KSUT Board of Directors
Monthly Meeting
Southern Ute Cultural Center
Ignacio, Colorado
5/8/2019

Attending: Amy, Bruce, Robert, Buz, Eddie, Susan, Sara

Missing: Dan, Kree

Meeting began at 5:42

Agenda
Buz made a motion to approve the agenda; Eddie seconded—unanimously approved.

April Minutes
The approval of the April minutes will be tabled until next meeting, due to lack of a quorum Board members that attended the April meeting. Susan will make corrections and send out a revised version for approval at the next meeting.

Guest Staff Member: Sheila Naneto, Station Manager, Tribal Radio
Sheila started as volunteer morning DJ. Worked in several departments with the tribe and continued to work with radio focused on outreach to native youth and the community. She was hired in 2010 for an admin position; tribal station needed a station manager, so she stepped up to oversee station. Today, the station is considered a leader in tribal radio in Indian Country. Now that Robb Brantley is on staff, she has more time, so she'll start working on bigger projects, such as the Native Braids project, which is close to roll out. (Sixteen interviews were produced and will be rolled out at the elders meeting dinner May 23.) Sheila is going to Towaoc weekly to train the new person hired who will be the Ute Mountain Ute radio host and journalist. Sheila is the southwest region representative to the Native Public Media Advisory Committee; she was the emcee for a portion of the organization’s conference, held in May. She also serves on the Native Voice 1 Advisory Committee.

Executive Director Report

Mid-Year Budget Revision - Tami presented the mid-year budget revision, which reflects changes in anticipated income and expense. Income revisions: Move of the Member’s party to November, means that income will not occur in this fiscal year; adjustment made to CPB funds, which were lower than projected. Expense revisions: A portion of salaries moved to capital campaign expense due to time required on admin; significant payroll savings due to Gram’s departure and period of time position was vacant.

A motion was made by Bruce to approve the mid-year budget revision; Robert seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Renovation Update - 4 bids have come in; staff will evaluate and submit questions. Tami hopes to make
a decision by the end of May, with construction starting sometime in June. Ernie Sanchez (attorney) will will review the final contract to provide another set of eyes. Amy asked if the review will incur additional costs; Tami, not expected to be too much. Tami and staff will be looking at budget and cash flow. The bidding process included 12 to 15 alternates (i.e.: outdoor stage, flooring). Tami attended a work session with Tribal Council to discuss minor changes with project (floorplan, façade); there was some discussion about ingress/egress, stripping, parking, etc. as relates to other tribe projects (adjacent skate park).

**TBK letter of credit** – Though all were disappointed with TBK response to request to make allowances on the terms of the line of credit, the bank relaxed some requirements related to receivables.

**FZA Letter of Response** - Amy expressed her appreciation for Dan's feedback and drafting of letter; this was a good learning experience and we will look for greater transparency in the future including wording in letter of engagement that specifies a maximum increase over bid. Amy said streamlining procurement process and other changes with Robb on board should eliminate some issues that have come up on the audit process.

**Board recruitment** – Discussion about the importance of filling the 2 Board positions that will open up in September and consideration for who will serve as officers as those positions must be filled by current Board members who are not stepping down.

Buz asked Tami for suggestions of volunteers who have worked with the station. Other suggestions were made regarding potential board members. Amy suggested including a youth representative, who would not be a voting member. Amy will look into that.

Discussed putting an ad in Southern Ute Drum – Robert said it would go into next issue May 24th; getting media attention on the groundbreaking of the remodel; Board members to share at events about the experience of serving on the board – perhaps a story in the Drum. Amy to drive that, working with Tribal committee.

**Fundraising Committee** – working on setting up a meeting. Sara and Buz maybe meeting late May.

**Finance Committee**: will draft a procurement policy soon.

**Motion to adjourn, Susan; seconded by Buz. Adjourned 6:57 pm**