

WCBU Associate Board meeting minutes
Wednesday, September 11, 2019

Board members present:

President Ambra Haake
Vice President Sara Netzley
Jennifer Essig
Fred Guinn
John Lamb
Jennifer Robin (by phone)
Joan Ruppman

Others Present:

WCBU General Manager R.C. McBride

Ms. Haake called the meeting to order at 4:10 P.M.

Mr. McBride provided updates on station facilities. The timing of WCBU's move to Morgan Hall is dependent on the opening of Bradley University's new building and the ensuing decommissioning of Morgan Hall. He anticipated October/November for a completed transition to broadcasting from Morgan Hall.

Mr. McBride provided an update on fundraising, saying fundraising appeared adequate for the station to meet its short term obligations, but more would be needed if the station hopes to expand its services.

Under Old Business, Ms. Haake led a brief discussion regarding the Board's Community Liaison and Communications Subcommittee.

Under New Business, Ms. Haake shared a statement from Bradley University Associate Controller Dennis Koch for purpose of compliance with the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

Also under New Business, Mr. Lamb led a discussion on refreshing the Board's bylaws and offered several suggestions, including adjusting board term length, adding a Secretary role to the board, and clarifying language to better align the Board with the terms of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting's Community Service Grant. Mr. Lamb moved, and Ms. Essig seconded, to accept the group's recommended changes, with a final draft to be circulated to the Board prior to its November meeting so that formal action may be taken at that time. The motion carried unanimously.

Also under New Business, a proposed slate of 2020 Board officers, with Ms. Haake as President, and Ms. Essig as Vice President, was presented the nominating committee. Ms. Netzley moved, and Mr. Lamb seconded, to accept the slate of nominees. The motion carried

unanimously, with Ms. Haake abstaining from the vote for President and Ms. Essig abstaining from the vote for Vice President.

Also under New Business, outgoing Board members Fred Guinn, Sara Netzley, Joan Ruppman, Chris Taluc were recognized and thanked for their service to the Board and the Peoria community. Ms. Haake announced the resignation for Board member Sherry Seckler, and the Board recognized Ms. Seckler for her service.

Ms. Haake adjourned the meeting at 5:20 P.M.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 13 at 4 P.M. at the Bradley Global Communications Center in Reading Room 103.