

LAKE COUNTY PEG TV – CHANNEL 8 MEDIACOM

Minutes of August 13, 2014 Lake County Peg TV Board Meeting Location: Clearlake City Hall

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ed Robey at 6:00pm.

All board members were present.

Adoption of Agenda was moved by Martin Scheel and 2nd by Eric Hoefler with unanimous approval.

Public Comment:

Dante de Amicis expressed his concern that the station had lost it's opportunity to get another channel and was also concerned that the station would lose it's funding from Yuba College when they shifted over to a different method of delivery for their on-air classes.

Ed Robey introduced Bruce Latimer who has the longest running Public Access show on Pacifica Access channel for 25 years. Bruce convinced Pacifica Access to donate their old but still working studio to LCPTV while they upgraded to HD.

Bruce Latimer talked about the equipment donation and excited he is about us having a real studio which will bring the station to a new level. Since LCPTV has no plans to upgrade to HD the donation was graciously accepted.

Charles O'Neill Jones is looking forward to the new studio and potential new future for the station.

Business:

- 1) Approval of Minutes of June 11, 2014 minutes – Moved by Denise Loustalot and 2nd by Vince Metzger
- 2) Tina Lewis, Spotlight On Productions, presented her proposal for a fundraiser and dinner dance. Vince Metzger moved to approve the proposal and Denise 2nd. The board gave it's unanimous approval for Tina to move ahead with the fundraiser.
- 3) Consideration of adoption of election related programming.

Section 3.5 of the members manual reads as follows:

“3.5 Special Political programming shall be scheduled for each election, with reasonable guide lines as to time, place, and manner of such programming to be established by the PEG Board in cooperation with the PEG Manager.

The following amended language was proposed for approval:

- 3.5 No election related programming which favors one candidate or ballot measure shall be broadcast. Candidate forums which are public and give equal opportunity to all candidates may be broadcast. Ballot measure forums which are public and give equal opportunity to all parties may be broadcast.

Public Comment:

Dante addressed his concern about designated public forums vrs political shows. Charles O'Neill suggested we stay away from any election programming.

Joan Moss wanted to see the state and FCC regulations on election programming.

Martin Scheel moved to adopt the policy regarding election related programming as amended in this meeting to the current Members Manual section 3.5 and include into the proposed revised members manual. The motion was 2nd by Denise Loustalot. Approval was unanimous.

4) A monthly stipend of \$150 for volunteer Beth Katherine Kaiman to be reported independently by IRS Form 1099 was open to public comment.

Tina Lewis suggested \$200 a month and Charles O'Neill Jones suggested the board add in travel time. Joan Moss agreed.

A motion was made by Eric Hoefler to approve the \$150 monthly stipend for volunteer Beth Katherine Kaiman and was 2nd by Vince Metzger with unanimous approval.

Chairman's Report:

Ed praised the City of Clearlake's Public Works department workers for their assistance in moving the donated equipment from Pacific Access.

He also suggested a letter of appreciation be sent to Pacifica Access TV for their generous donation. Denise Loustalot made the motion, 2nd by Vince Metzger to send a Thank You note to Pacifica Access.

Ed is currently looking at property to house the new studio, he estimated we need around 1,000 square feet. The Old Chamber building next to the Youth Center is one possibility.

Ed gave an update on the Jimmy Rickel lawsuit, it was dismissed due to procedural issues.

Ed is consulting with Anita Grant County Counsel on a revised JPA to include the City of Lakeport.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm

Respectfully submitted by:
Beth Katherine Kaiman, acting Secretary