

## MMCTV BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES WED. July 26, 2023, 6PM (AT MMCTV & via ZOOM)

## 6:09 PM Call to Order

Present In-Person: Angelike Contis, Jay Furr, Ted Lyman, Erin Wagg

On Zoom: Peter Wolf, Gregg Stevens

1. Ted makes motion to approved **Minutes** (5/25/23). Peter seconds. Passes unanimously.

## 2. Review 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr Financials

- We are within budget.
- Question about Property and Equipment line: Angelike explained accountants (MGV Assoc.) need to do some updates to inventory listed, but generally only items added each year over \$600. We are due for some capital purchases, post-pandemic.
- Town of Richmond reimbursed MMCTV for hybrid meeting set up gear/work. It'll show up in our 3rd Qtr financials. Jericho is last town we are awaiting this on.
- We still have funds from moving to Channels 1076/1086 that we can use on promotional materials like hats (!)
- Camp Line: It was \$140/week for local and \$160 out-of-town. We keep costs to students low, intentionally, but payment helps cover staff, including a documentary maker Sierra Urich & MMU student Verity this year.
- Compensation Line We are within budget, and state money the past few years (due to VAN work) has allowed us to consider more intern/staff hours. Pressure on salaries is real, even with high school student requests to match other offers.
- Discussion of possible new capital purchases: Updating cameras, Wireless streaming device (eg. Tim used at graduation), another device like YoloLiv, Laptops (multi-use), Editing software can Davinci Resolve replace Adobe?)

<u>**6:25 PM**</u> **Board Updates**: Tim makes a motion to appoint Gregg Stevens (of Richmond/Jericho) to MMCTV Board. Ted seconds. Passes unanimously, increasing our board to 5 members.

## **6:30 PM** Educational updates:

• Camp had a major disruption due to the flooding. Angelike added 2 ½ days Sat. and Mon. after regular week. "Toy Story" scene is close to completion. Campers tend to return each year.

• Idea that possibly having more editing stations could take care of some behavioral challenges when only 3 stations.

We continue to work with MMU students (one intern, one regular). Derek helped catch us up with editing when Ruth was out sick and on vacation. Derek compiled footage that people sent to us for a <a href="video">video</a> about July 11, 2023 flooding in Richmond, which has been very well received. The same team (Derek/Verity) are working on Sandy Wilmont/Underhill Conservation Cmsn. Project about **Underhill Farms**. We have a pretty efficient system and they should have the "summer" segment of project done this summer. We are tracking hours for possible future financial support of our work.

Another project cued up for the same group of MMU students is the **Dog License Education** video project. An Erin Wagg concept, developed with Clerk Jessica Alexander at Jericho, but for best usefulness will include information that is basic for all 3 towns.

Jericho Pet Parade was postponed to August. We wanted to work with OCCC again during their camp, but summer got away. (Next year).

4. Other Business: Snowflake Chocolates Fudge for Funds fundraiser raised about \$150+ and led to additional donations. This was a helpful way to raise awareness about how SWEET MMCTV is!

Underhill recently had some equipment issues that were related to their own operating system updates. They seem to be resolved. Erin and Angelike are going to visit each town to discuss equipment before Angelike leaves for vacation,

We have a new staff person: Tom Astle - who is covering meetings at night like Erin. Welcome aboard TOM!!

The dinner to celebrate Ron will be rescheduled in fall.

**6:47 PM** Adjourned (Ted moved 1st, Peter 2nd.)