



Mt. Mansfield Community TV **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** SPECIAL VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES

Tues. Dec. 17, 2024, 5.30PM ZOOM ONLY (link below), NOT IN PERSON Attending: Kate Blofson, Angelike Contis, Jay Furr, Tim Chamberlin Called to order at 5.30pm

## **LPFM Reports & Budget Questions**

Kate gives Overview on LPFM outreach committee & tech committee. Outreach working on logo, motto ("unmute yourself" and fundraising. Tech committee, led by Kate, has been visiting 3 local LPFM stations to learn and considering gear. We'll be launching an internet-based station (looking into web-based software and gear.) Initial budget to build will be about \$22,000.

Angelike: We're also reaching out to emergency services. We are getting a lot of interest and will have folks start making show ideas. It's a soft launch, to go web-based. Jay is looking forward to the WRUJ logo on a t-shirt soon. He shares a logo

We are still doing listening sessions with the public, who has told us they want hyperlocal info/news and a real human DJ for music.

Review Draft FY25 Budget – Angelike shares draft 2 of budget, which includes a Comcast decline. VAN legislative work has helped make up the cable loss as well as some of cost increases. VAN in Sec. of State budget, asking for \$1.3 million in FY26 ask. Depends on if Governor accepts. Compensation hasn't exceeded much, because less hours for one staff. Angelike exploring MVP instead of BCBS, due to big increase.

Budget includes 3% increase. Jay advises to go with 3.8% rate of State of VT State Treasurer. Brief discussion of LPFM Community Radio is working to do a legislative ask, and has been discussion of maybe doing together with VAN.

Angelike has met recently with our 3 local legislators (J. Brown, T. Squirrell, E. Graning), who are all supportive, and gives an update on last year's Montpelier efforts.

Approve Year-End FY24 Compensation – Angelike will tell accountant to go with 3.8%. Jay makes a motion to go with last year's numbers for this year's bonuses (totaling some \$1500).

<b>Membership Plan Discussion –</b> Angelike asks board to help with that effort. Jay offers to help.	STAFF (3)	115000
	BRAND/WEB	8000
	HYBRID (2)	12000
	NONPROFITS	1400
Other Business – Discuss next meeting and a chart with a breakdown on	MMU	5200
	CAMPS	3500
what we spend our resources on (see right).	TOTAL	145100
Tim makes motion to adiourn at 6.10pm. Jay seconds.		