

KFSK Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 22nd, 2026, 5:30pm

Attending:

Bill Tremblay, Emil Tucker, Bryan Perry, Bennett McGrath, Jake Clemens attended. Stuart Whyte and Beverly Richardson attended via Zoom.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve agenda passed

Approval of Minutes:

- For November minutes, clarify that not hiring new reporter, just summer intern
- Motion to approve Nov minutes passed

Communications:

Expecting talk about tower, story to come

New Business

- Public media bridge fund, significant portion of annual budget
- Any new commitments for bridge? No
- Motion to approve bridge funds passed

Mid-year budget review:

- Greatly increased membership revenue goal
- Should keep underwriting budget the same
- Operating \$4400 higher w/bridge, Voices of AK, Columbia intern reimbursement
- Payroll decreased \$10k w/change in staff
- Insurance came in under budget w/only 4% increase
- Travel training budget zeroed out--Still plan to send staff to press club, paid from administrative
- Program acquisition, rescue in APM, NPR zeroed, PRX same. In response to Fed recission.
- Molly Kepler zeroed out, interconnection
- Salaries projected to decrease
- Many one-time gives this year
- Projected shortfall for next year
- COAST-figure lower next year
- Also from one-time donation will be back to increase in 2 years
- Motion approved to pass budget

Policies

- Volunteer policy about food, drinks and firearms
- Tighter on food and drinks like KTSK

Other items

- Phones switch because of call quality, waiting on part, could put voicemail message on it, but not missing calls currently
- Accepted resignation from Karen Malcom

Manager's Report

- Jody Tow will help walk through the borough budget allocation to KFSK
- Financial report
- Will send out December financials
- At \$170k of \$200k goal, good place to be before spring drive

- 546 donations for the year, 1370 members

COAST

- board meeting next week
- Jan is time for stations to stay or go
- Eval for Molly
- Effort to add an ad hoc member w/expertise from around state
- 6 station members, but give services to 25 other stations, hope to get someone from the 25

Upcoming Items

- Corporate calendar
- Community emergency advisory board was Tom, should have one person from station
- Wearable Art
- Maybe Abby Hardie, Maybe Matt Lenhard
- look at secondary tier of donators for board member
- March meeting 2nd Wednesday March 11th 5:30