

**WEFT PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE [PC]  
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING - NOVEMBER 27, 2007, 6:30 PM**  
at WEFT, 113 N. Market St., Champaign IL

-- FINAL (APPROVED 12/11/2007) --

Jason greenly, Committee Chair

**PC MEMBERS ATTENDING:**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Abbreviation</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Jason Greenly	(Jg)	Chair	X	
Tish McCarthy	(TM)		X	
Vicki Niswander	(VN)			X
Stan Waggoner	(SW)		X	
Bill Saylor	(WS)	Notetaker	X	

**GUESTS ATTENDING**

Connie Hosier (CH)

Greg, trainee with Jason next week.

**CALL TO ORDER: 6:40 PM**

**INTRODUCTIONS**

**MISSION MOMENT**

No.

**MAIL CALL! - REPORTS**

SW: Interviewing author of "Jews and Power" next week, which we got in a previous mailing.

**MAIL CALL! - DISTRIBUTION**

None.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS' MINUTES [NOVEMBER 13, 2007]**

WS: Two unanswered questions remained about the draft, minor comments. I will delete them.

PC motions/seconds to approve the draft November 13, 2007, minutes as edited as final.

Approved 3/0/1.

**ADDITIONS TO / APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

None.

**GUESTS**

\* NONE

## PENDING GUESTS

- \* **[PROBATIONARY REVIEWS; ROUGH DATE] --**
- \* **CONNIE HOSIER "CONNIE'S HOT FLASHES ON MOVIES" DROP-IN (DEC. 11)**
- \* **ALAN ANGELL "DISSONANCE" (MONDAY MIDNIGHT-2AM) /  
OIW [ONGOING INDECENCY WAIVER] (FEBRUARY 12);**
- \* **DAVID GRAYSON CO-HOST "VOICE OF THE VOICELESS"  
(WEDNESDAYS 530-6PM; MARCH 11)**
- \* **KIMBERLY SCARABELLO, "IN EXCELSIS DEO" (THURS. 12-2AM; MARCH)**

## SHOW INFO

- \* **MONDAY 2-5/6AM (DEADLINE PASSED; PROPOSAL PENDING FROM NEIL/SAM)**

Jg: Neil & Sam were fast-trackers, but our [class] training was too close to break and they couldn't attend.

TM: Let's note that [problem with breaks] when we schedule in the future.

- \* **TUESDAY MIDNIGHT-2AM (DEADLINE PASSED) (POSSIBLE NEW TRAINEE)**
- \* **TUESDAY 2-5/6AM (DEADLINE PASSED)**
- \* **WEDNESDAY 2-5/6AM (DEADLINE PASSED)**
- \* **WEDNESDAY WORLD BEAT 2-4PM (DEADLINE PASSED)**
- \* **FRIDAY 2-5/6AM (DEADLINE PASSED)**

Jg: No news on any of these.

WS/TM clarify to CH that "deadline passed" means it is still open to proposals, and ask Jg to add wording to each opening listed in the agenda item to say that.

- \* **TUESDAY WORLD BEAT CO-HOST THINGEE [SPLIT SHIFT]**

Jg: I learned Monday at the Music Committee meeting that Rubee is no longer in Champaign, he's in Chicago and has been coming down to do the show.

## JOB REPORTS

### MARK BEE: ENCO SYSTEM MANUAL

Jg: I lined up MB to take photos to write instructions. About half the shows come down on the system. We need written training for Courier hosts and others on what buttons to push to play shows. Especially because some of the shows download in segments which require some putting back together to play back. Jason Croft has suggested to Jg that the PC should take care of that step. Other programs require a whole other hat trick to get them down to the Content Depot. Eventually we will get there, with help from Jason Croft and [WEFT engineer] Darren Martin.

**TISH MCCARTHY: ATC [AIRSHIFTER TRAINING COMMITTEE] LIAISON**

TM: Doing the training, and monthly reminders. People are asking about putting the reminders into a binder for reference. I thought there had been a binder in the studio with instructions on how to do stuff. I could make a binder with all the training handouts. But putting all the monthly reminders in it might not be effective.

Jg: We should continue with handing the reminders out at the Associates meeting; it gives them a second chance to see it. And it's good PR for us. See if [Associates Executive Committee chair] Dave Witzany can make the copies, though. If you need the emails again, ask for the archives.

PC: The past three month's worth would be fine.

PC discusses file archiving and maybe reinstating the functionally abandoned Standard Operating Procedures binder.

**VICKI NISWANDER: PUBLIC AFFAIRS SUPPORT INITIATIVE**

[Absent - excused.]

Jg: SW transferred the media pass project to Vicki.

SW summarizes the media pass for TM. Part of the idea is to support asking for event-specific passes with it from event promoters.

Jg: I also asked Vicki to update the WEFT phone list.

**BILL SAYLOR: COMMUNICATIONS**

WS: I did check that the minutes for the year are posted in the website calendar.

WS also explains his intent to post to wefta that he will not be re-running for PC at the December Associates meeting, and he will also encourage Associates and candidates to set an expectation for advance notice (and prep).

TM mentions that the PC needs to consider having members on it that are bilingual in Spanish, or have some way of reviewing Spanish language programming.

Jg: Yes, as long as they have other qualifications.

**STAN WAGGONER: VICE-CHAIR**

No report except for closed session.

## DISCUSSION

### \* SOP [PC STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE] RE-DRAFT

#### \* D7b LOA [LEAVE OF ABSENCE] TO BE REWRITTEN

#### \* D8: PROBATIONARY PERIOD

Jg: [Reads the text.] Let's strike the reference to inviting the airshifter to PC meeting within 4-6 weeks; we'll keep it to our practice of inviting them in at the end of the 13-week period.

PC: OK, and otherwise OK.

WS suggests adding some lines about obtaining Associates status.

Jg: I also want to add a Part 9 on pre-empting shows. It's an important power the PC has, to not be in the SOP, and we do practice a policy of notifying people before a committee vote.

PC discusses also adding language defining ex-officio committee member status.

TM: What does it get you?

Jg: You can attend closed session and you stay on the weftp email list. But you can't vote.

WS: Basically you can still be in the conversation. Of course you still have the responsibility to keep confidentiality.

Jg names some current ex-officio PC members, who comment with different frequency.

Jg: The PC reviews whether to continue ex-officio members' status pretty regularly, just about whenever we vote whether to grant it to an outgoing member.

WS proposes writing in a minimum term of service for ex-officio eligibility, so that single-issue members who might get on for a short time and then quit don't get to stay in the system. Considered even proposing 13 months (thus requiring re-election), but that would lose a lot of expertise.

PC generally agreeable on a full 12-month term as minimum eligibility.

WS also suggests writing in a review period as a reminder.

WS volunteers to write the draft language for the SOP.

Jg suggests adding it to the section on Committee Membership.

Jg: After this [for the SOP revision] we'll just have two more shorter parts to review then. Then it needs to be approved by the Associates and the Board of Directors. I am intending to introduce it as a slate, present it at one Associates meeting and then schedule the vote for the next meeting. Then they'll have it for three months to consider. It's taken us more than a year to go through it. We started by just correcting typos.

WS: We ended up dealing with a little more substance than we anticipated. But we're not proposing any big changes.

PC agrees though that the existing PC SOP was well written, thanks to Paul Riismandel's PC in 1995 and successor PCs that have revised it.

**\* LATER: CODIFY SUBBING AS VOLUNTEER WORK**

- \* RE-DO B3? [WS]**  
[No discussion.]

**\* HOMELESSNESS MARATHON  
(WED. FEBRUARY 20 6PM THROUGH THURSDAY 8AM FEBRUARY 21)**

No discussion.

PC motions/seconds to pre-empt regular WEFT programming from Wednesday, February 20, at 6:00 PM through Thursday, February 21, at 8:00 AM, to broadcast the Homelessness Marathon annual special program. [Pre-empted airshiffters required to attend their shift as operator on duty.]

Approved: 4/0/0.

**UPDATES / OLD BUSINESS**

- \* ISAIAH JOHNSON "MR. SENSATION'S MONDAY MORNING JAZZ JAM"  
(MONDAY JAZZ 9-11:30AM); PROBATIONARY REVIEW  
(CHECK ASSOCIATE STATUS)**

Jg: I need to email, or assign SW to email, the three people on probation needing Associate status to remind them specifically of the December Associates meeting.

- \* CPB FY07 [CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING FUNDING]**

Jg: There is still a lot of money to spend. I put Rev. Bogan's question to Mick [Station Manager] about whether our CPB money can be used to pay for speaker's fees for show guests. He will follow up. He asked for a nudge to follow up.

WS: Mick's initial response may still reflect the condition though, that it can only be spent on national programming either going in or out. That is, we're not syndicating our programs.

Jg: But consider a speaker's fee would be bringing in show content, compared to [say] purchasing Negativland tapes.

- \* WEBCASTING INITIATIVE**  
**\* FILLING PROGRAMMING FOR WHEN NOT WEBCASTING [NO UPDATE]**  
**\* CHANGING PLAYLIST SHEET**

Jg: No update.

**\* FF UPDATE [FRIDAY FORUM, MONDAYS 6PM-7PM - SUBS DURING BREAK]  
(BEGINS JANUARY 28)**

Jg: We can put this off for one more meeting.

WS: Announce it at the Associates meeting, give people more time to consider putting in for it.

**\* BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

Jg: I re-contacted Rev. Bogan.

Jg prefaces for CH the Women's History Month programming promotion history. Hosts play women on their show for the week. Some even do it for the whole month. We don't do too much work except put out a flyer [promoting the organized programming]. Every year, someone always asks afterward what about doing a Black History Month. By March of course it's too late, so this year I posted early for interest. The only response was from Rev. Bogan, who has understandably been busy. I also contacted Rubee, but he has moved and life circumstances change.

TM: What if we just targeted the strip airshiffters?

Jg: Well, many WEFT airshiffters honor Black History Month in their own way on their shows already. The difference is just whether it is an organized promotable event. No one has been available to take it on, which is OK, we can try again next year.

TM: What about asking at Associates meeting?

Jg: It's really too late at this point. That's OK. We always have lots of ideas at WEFT, it just takes someone to [commit to organize]. Maybe someone will take it up next year.

CH: Why does it take so much time?

Jg: It just takes time at WEFT to do things. If someone came in with a written plan, 'this is what I want to do,' I'm sure we would all approve it. Really it needs three months. For Women's History Month I start at the beginning of December.

WS: We've also had problems with flyers not showing up until halfway through the week of the event. Then what's the point of that.

**\* WEBSITE CONTENT**

Jg: No updates.

**\* [DECEMBER 11] ALEX LAZAREVICH "MODBIT" (SAT. 10PM-MIDNIGHT);  
PROBATIONARY REVIEW (CHECK ASSOCIATE STATUS)**

**\* [DECEMBER 11, MARCH 11] DAVE DICKEY "FRIDAY JAZZ" [FRI. 9-11:30AM]  
VOLUNTEER WORK / ASSOCIATE STATUS**

**PENDING PROJECTS (FORGET THEM NOT!)**

**\* WRFU "FIELD TRIP"**

**\* OIW [ONGOING INDECENCY WAIVER] PROBATION PERIOD DISCUSSION**

**\* CHAIR DOCUMENT STORAGE [JG]**

No discussion.

**CLOSED SESSION [PUBLIC VERSION]**

**\* PENDING PROPOSALS / REVIEWS**

Discussion.

**\* MISSED SHOWS**

Discussion.

Vice-Chair to continue discussion with host.

**ADJOURN 7:50 PM**

**NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2007, 6:30 PM IN THE GREAT HALL  
AT WEFT**