

**WMHT Educational Telecommunications
WMHT Board of Trustees Meeting
Minutes
May 27, 2010**

A Meeting of the WMHT Board of Trustees was held on May 27, 2010 at 4:00 pm held at WMHT, Troy, New York. Joseph Richardson, Chair of the Board of Trustees, presided.

Present

Joseph Richardson	Bonnie McGuire Jones
Robert Altman	Caroline Mason
John Baackes	Paul Powers
Carole Biegen	Carl Shuster
Carolyn Callner	Sarah Slingerland
Prentiss Carnell	Dick Taylor
Howard Carpenter	Eugene Zeltmann
John Harrington	
Karen Hitchcock	
James Hoehn, MD	
Kathleen M. Jimino	

Excused

Karthik Bala
Lauretta Chrys
Gretchel Hathaway
Patrick Kehoe
Doris Fischer Malesardi
Denise Murphy McGraw

Jan Smith
Pieter VanDerzee

Also Attending

WMHT Staff: Val Flouton, Paul Hoagland, Katherine Jetter, Scott Sauer, Anthony Tassarotti, Sandra Beer, Julie Raskin.

Call to Order

Mr. Richardson called the meeting to order at 4:06PM.

**Consent Agenda
Items**

On motion by Mr. Shuster duly seconded by Mr. Harrington, the minutes of the March 25th Board meeting were unanimously approved by the Board of Trustees.

On motion by Ms. Jones, duly seconded by Mr. Carnell, the consent agenda items listed below were unanimously approved by the Board of Trustees.

- March 30, 2010 Education Committee Meeting
- May 3, 2010 Governance Committee Meeting
- May 6, 2010 Development Committee Meeting
- May 6, 2010 Finance Committee Meeting
- May 12, 2010 Finance Committee Meeting

**Governance
committee report**

Mr. Carpenter reported we have a three pronged approach to recruiting new trustees. Location, diversity and resources. Ms. Jones would like the Board Matrix shared with the trustees.

**Election of Audit
Committee**

Election of Chair and Members of the WMHT Audit Committee

- Prentiss Carnell – Chair
- Carolyn Callner
- Howard Carpenter
- Richard Taylor
- Gene Zeltmann

On motion by Mr. Carpenter, duly seconded by Ms. Callner the election of the WMHT audit committee as listed above was unanimously approved by the WMHT Board of Trustees.

**Development
Committee Report**

Mr. Shuster reported for the Development Committee and gave a brief overview of the Capital Campaign. There is a proposed timeline for the Capital Campaign and key initial steps are being taken.

Resolution

Whereas WMHT Educational Telecommunications will close on the sale of its Analog Tower Site on June 1, 2010;
Whereas WMHT will receive \$140,000 for the sale of this asset;
WMHT will spend an amount not to exceed \$51,000 from this sale to purchase equipment to record the Court of Appeals (COA) sessions. This equipment purchase, which includes robotic cameras which will reduce labor expense, is part of the agreement with the COA. The recording work generates income of over \$36,000 per year during the course of a 5-year contract.

Motion

On motion by Ms. Callner, duly seconded by Mr. Shuster the aforementioned resolution was unanimously approved by the Board of Trustees.

***Strategic Planning
Committee Report***

Mr. Altman reported that the Strategic Planning Committee met earlier in the day. The committee reviewed the strategic priorities and Mr. Sauer reviewed the PBS audience. The planning process going forward was discussed. The committee will begin work on a more comprehensive and richly articulated plan talking about key priorities and encompasses the breadth of our goal.

Presidents Report

Mr. Altman reported on the PBS Annual Meeting and shared two video presentations: a "year in review" and one about the Ready to Learn initiative.

Mr. Altman reported on changes to the television schedule and on the continuing successes of WEXT which was named Metroland's Top Radio Station/

In addition, Mr. Altman spoke about the recent dinner for former Board Chairs at the Fort Orange Club. We would like to make this an annual event. He also spoke about the revitalized Community Advisory Board and some generous bequests to the stations.

Chairs Report

Mr. Richardson thanks the Board for their assistance to John Robinson and his staff and reported on Mr. Blackman's resignation from the Board.

Executive Session

Executive session began at 5:46. No action was taken.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:35pm.