



**WMHT Educational Telecommunications
WMHT Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2013**

A Meeting of the WMHT Board of Trustees was held on May 9, 2013 at WMHT, Troy, New York. Richard Taylor, Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees, presided.

Present

Richard Taylor	John Katz
Jane Altes	Caroline Mason
Robert Altman	William Picotte
Doris Fischer (by phone)	Paul Powers (phone)
David Haviland	Joseph Raggio
Karen Hitchcock	Carl Shuster
James Hoehn, MD	Sarah Slingerland
Bonnie McGuire Jones	Dustin Swanger

Excused

Eugene Zeltmann	Leonard Gaines
Karthik Bala	Graham Jones
Robert Bullock	Shelby Schneider
Carolyn Callner	Jan Smith
Paul Fahey	

Also Attending

WMHT Staff: Val Belden, Paul Hoagland, Katherine Jetter, Scott Sauer, Anthony Tassarotti, Sandra Beer, Julie Raskin, Mary Gribulis, Jenn Baumstein

Call to Order

Mr. Taylor called the meeting to order at 4:04PM.

***Consent Agenda
Items***

On motion by Ms. Mason duly seconded by Ms. McGuire Jones the consent agenda of minutes and notes listed below were unanimously approved by the Board of Trustees.

Minutes and Notes

- March 21, 2013 Board Meeting
- March 25, 2013 Governance Committee Meeting
- April 1, 2013 Governance Committee Meeting
- May 1, 2013 Education Committee Meeting

***Finance
Committee Report***

Mr. Altman presented the preliminary FY14 budget. Finance Committee will meet on June 6th to finalize the budget which will be brought to the June 13 Board of Trustees meeting for final approval. All board members are welcome to attend the June 6th.

***Honda Lease
Corporate***

Ms. Raskin presented the corporate resolution to authorize entering into a lease on a Honda van.

Resolution

On a motion by Ms. Altes, duly seconded by Dr. Hoehn the Corporate Resolution to enter into a Closed-End Lease with HVT, Inc. was unanimously approved by the Board of Trustees.

On behalf of the Board Mr. Altman and Mr. Taylor were signatories on this motion and Ms. McGuire Jones as Secretary signed off.

***Election of
Community
Advisory Board
Members***

On Motion by Mr. Raggio, duly seconded by Ms. Fischer, the following individuals were unanimously elected to the WMHT's Community Advisory Board:

Paul Fahey (chair)	Richard Beach
Ildefonso Correas Apelanz	Fran Beaudoin
Cliff Bird	Kenneth Braswell
Nancy Chiarella	Kathy Cloutier
S. Neal Currie Jr	Orinda Davis
John T. DE Celle	Jillian DeGregorio
Karen Dolge	Dr. Mark Fruiterman
Paul Harding	Ardelle Hirsch
Mr. Steve Janack	Allen Kovler
Aileen Leventon	Clif Mark
David M. Rooney	Ellen Sinopoli
Elmer Streeter	Terry Tyson
Mary Beth Wenger	Thomas Witz
Ms. Kathryn Zox	

***Governance
Committee***

Dr. Hoehn noted the resignations of Sarah Boggess and John Baackes earlier this year and introduced two new names for election to the Board.

On Motion by Dr. Hoehn, duly seconded by Ms Hitchcock , the following individuals were unanimously elected to the WMHT Board of Trustees. Each will serve until the Annual Meeting in November when they will be eligible to be reelected to a full three year term.

- William Picotte
- Scott Rajeski

President's Report

Mr. Altman introduced Jenn Baumstein who recently joined the Education Department staff. The station has had a number of achievements recently. WMHT received the HON. ANTHONY V. CARDONA AWARD for our Ready to Learn early literacy programs from the Friends of the Albany Children's Center and NY Now received its first New York State Emmy Award. WMHT was just notified that the station has been awarded a national competitive grant for TED Talks on Education. Community connections continue with WMHT hosting the Questar III High School Art Show and partnering with the SUNY Writer's Institute to host a screening of "The Central Park Five". WMHT FM will be airing the Albany Symphony Orchestra's Carnegie Hall concert tomorrow night, and this weekend WEXT will be hosting the local band stage at the Tulip Fest.

WMHT has been part of New York State's Pathways to History project and will be creating and airing interstitials about some important local historic sites. The entire staff is working on a planning process for next year while looking to the couple of years beyond as well. To conclude Mr. Altman shared two short films, the beginning of the stations new initiative to help articulate our regional identity through individual stories.

Chair's Report

Mr. Taylor shared that he and Mr. Altman have been invited to be part of collaboration with the Albany Symphony Orchestra, Schenectady Orchestra and the Empire State Youth Orchestra to enhance classical music in the region.

Executive Session

Executive session began at 5:25 pm.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:07 pm.