MVTV Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 10 - 1 - 2019


MVTV Board Members Not Present: Anne Whiting, Rebecca Barca-Tinus, Geoffrey Parkhurst, Helen Green, Wayne Greenwell, Gail Tipton.

MVTV Staff Present: Stephen Warriner

Recorder: Ann Bassett

In the absence of Board Chair Anne Whiting, Vice Chair Ann Bassett confirmed a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm.

Peter Vincent made a motion to accept the Board Minutes of 9-3-19 as written. Richard Knabel seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor, with John McCormick abstaining.

Vote: 7 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstention.

Executive Director’s Report: Steve reported "Were busy!" He also said that there is a new state tax on family and medical leave that employees must pay, (38 cents per $100). MVTV can offer to pay this, to cover the 4 staff as well as the government shooters. The total will be roughly $1500 a year. There ensued a discussion.

Bill McGrath made a motion that MVTV pay this tax for the employees, and Peter Vincent seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Vote: 7 in favor, 0 against.

Steve reported that MVTV's Mac computers are at least 6 years old, and need replacing. 3 or 4 new Macs are needed, especially ones for Carl and Michelle. The projected cost is $10,000 to $15,000. There was a discussion. Bill said we have the money, but this must be placed under Capitol Expenses.

Peter Vincent made a motion to purchase the needed computers, Bill McGrath seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Vote: 7 in favor, 0 against.

Chairman's Report: Anne sent the Board an email stating the the cleanup of the area in front of the building, which has been agreed to and budgeted for, will start soon. Peter asked if this was an area where there the protected moths are, and no one could answer that question. We agreed that the work be postponed until Steve and Anne can check our records, and Peter suggested Steve talk to Julie at the Land Bank.

Old Business: Richard Skidmore gave an update on our advertising on the M.V. Times website: Michelle is working on re-configuring our website connection to theirs, which is proving to be complicated. More on this later.

Ann announced that the current art show is bringing in an audience.

Peter asked how the solar panels are doing (Steve answered 'very well...we still have paid nothing for electricity'), and about use of the kitchen studio (Steve: 'Now that summer is over we hope for more cooking shows in the fall.')
**New Business:** Peter reported that the Boys and Girls Club will do a presentation at the Edgartown Library on October 22nd re: plans to enlarge their building and the playing fields, and asked if MVTV would cover that meeting. Steve said that if a volunteer can’t be found, a gov. shooter will tape the event.

Richard Knabel made a motion for the meeting to be adjourned. Richard Skidmore seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor, and Ann declared the meeting over at 2:05.

Respectfully submitted: Ann Bassett