

Minutes – BCTV Board of Directors Meeting – October 16, 2019 – FINAL

Respectfully submitted by Pauline Dean

Board Attendees: Lynn Barrett, Marty Cohn, Pauline Dean, Bob Gammon, Leah Goodman, Chris Lenois	Location: Room 305, Brattleboro Municipal Center
Absent: Alex Beck, Jesse Kreitzer, Jim Verzino	Call to order: 6:07 pm
Administration Attendees: Cor Trowbridge	Called to order by: Chris Lenois
Public Attendees: none	End: 7:20 pm

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Public Input					
Next Meeting	Wednesday, November 20, 2019 at 6 PM			Bob can't attend. Pauline will attend via Hangout.	
Communications to the Board				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 10/7/19 Reformer article: Agreement reached between Comcast, public access network - 10/12-13/19 Reformer article: BCTV announces winners of 2019 producer awards - 10/16/19 Commons article: BCTV announces award winners 	
Consent Agenda	Motion to accept all items in the Consent Agenda.	MC	LB	Includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 9/18/19 Annual Members Minutes as submitted - 9/18/19 Annual Board Meeting Minutes as submitted - Executive Director's Report - Finance Committee Report: at 33.7% of fiscal year, on track & waiting to see November payment from Comcast before adjusting budget. 	6-0-0

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Old Business:					
Annual Meeting Debrief				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Light attendance due to June Special Meeting - Next year combine Annual Members & Annual Board meeting into one. - Promote like a regular board meeting with specific outreach to members and staff. Spend less time promoting to public. 	
Producer Party Prep				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5:30 All board members at event – take board photo if possible. - Sign-in: Marty, Pauline, Chris, Bob - Food: Alex - Drinks: Self-serve - T-Shirt sales: Yael Cohn - Cor will share awards scripts and presenting assignments prior to event and bring copies. 	
Policies Committee Report				<p>Chris reported on the results of the Policies Committee meeting 10/9/19, clarifying BCTV's policy regarding Public Meeting Coverage. The following will be circulated to field staff and included in the Employee Handbook and in annual communications with Selectboard chairs:</p> <p><i>In accordance with Vermont Open Meeting Law and BCTV's mission to promote civic engagement and transparency, BCTV's policy is to provide gavel-to-gavel coverage of the public meetings we record. Anyone who speaks at a public meeting which is recorded by BCTV will be included in the video. Requests for exceptions to this policy will be referred to the Executive Director.</i></p> <p>-BCTV field producers may post a sign on the tripod or in the room: <i>Anyone who speaks at a</i></p>	

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New Business:					
Comcast Settlement: impacts				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gracenote subscription for Interactive Program Guide cost is \$2400 per year. Have to decide whether we can afford the cost and the time to submit information. - New channel numbers go into effect 1/1/20 but we don't have them yet. - Will receive lump sum amounts from settlement for branding, ROS solutions. - Headlines about settlement confusing to public as it sounded like good news. - Once November payment is received, submit Letter to Editor, memo to Selectboards to clarify status following the impact of FCC Order and Comcast settlement. 	
Announcements/Committee Meetings				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cor will testify at PEG Study Committee hearing on 10/21/19 about alternative revenue streams. - Marty and Cor will attend the VAN Summit on November 14, still need to know location. -Marty will be a panelist on behalf of BCTV at the Windham County Media Panel on Nov. 15 at the RiverGarden, moderated by Kate O'Connor. 	
Adjournment		MC	LB	7:20 PM	6-0-0